

National Institute of Technology Calicut
Terms and conditions of Faculty Research Seed Grant (FRG)

- A As per the decision in the 47th BOG Meeting of the Institute, to support the initial research requirements of newly joined faculty members, it is proposed to provide 'Research Seed Grant' to the newly joined faculty members joined.
- B The following terms and conditions for the Faculty Research Seed Grant shall be followed:
1. Faculty members shall submit and present their research proposal before an Institute level FRG screening & monitoring committee. Final approval will be based on the recommendation of the committee, after incorporating all the suggestions by the committee.
 2. The faculty research seed grant will be sanctioned only for an approved research project proposed by the regular faculty who joined in 2018 at NIT Calicut.
 3. The maximum amount of the seed grant will be Rs. 5.0 lakhs. This will be made in 2 instalments of Rs. 2.5 (maximum) lakhs each. The first instalment will be sanctioned on approval of the proposed project. The second instalment will be sanctioned based on satisfactory progress of the project after evaluation by the FRG committee at the end of first year.
 4. The normal duration of the project completion will be 2 years. However, one more year may be granted to complete the project based on the request by the principal investigator (PI) with specific reasons and recommendations by FRG committee.
 5. The grant will be exclusively for setting up of experimental/computational facilities (without any provision for manpower, laptop, mobile device, printer, external storage device, gadgets from this project fund)
 6. Minor equipment, consumables, fabrication /testing/calibration charges/contingencies as a part of the proposed research project can be included in the budget.
 7. Institute purchase rules and procedures/GFR guidelines shall be followed strictly for the procurement of all the items related to the project.
 8. Normally expenditure shall be on reimbursement basis without any advance. However, on essential situation, advance may be sanctioned, and the same shall be settled within a month time.
 9. PhD or PG/UG students may be permitted to associate with the project.
 10. Minimum deliverables expected from the project are:
 - (i) one SCI indexed journal publication or one patent filed and published.
 - (ii) one SCOPUS indexed journal publication
 - (iii) one experimental /simulation set up for UG /PG/research
 12. Being seed money, PI shall use the research outcome for getting external funded projects. He/she shall submit research proposals in all possible schemes.

13. Quarterly progress report shall be submitted by the PI to HOD, who will monitor the progress of the project. In case of any undue delay or irregularity observed, HOD shall report the same to the Director.
14. PI shall submit brief progress report, utilisation certificate (UC) and statement of expenditure (SE) and make a presentation on progress of work at the end of every year before the FRG monitoring committee. All the suggestions by the committee shall be followed by PI.
15. On completion of the project, PI shall submit a detailed technical report, UC and SE, copies of papers published, patent filed and published and make an open presentation.

Approved by Director

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