

Application Guidelines for the Multidisciplinary Research Grants

This document outlines the essential requirements and guidelines for Multidisciplinary Research Grants offered by the URC.

Financial assistance:

The total grant amount is Rs 2,750,000.

The grants are provided for 18 months but researchers are encouraged to utilise the funds within the first year.

Funds can be used for the following:

- Funding for a research assistant at a rate of Rs 60,000 a month up to 12 months.
- Funding for field assistance at a rate of Rs 1,500 per day.
- Minor equipment of less than 1 million rupees
- Other research expenses such as funds required for chemicals, electronic components, sensors and probes, etc.

Eligibility Criteria:

- The Principal Investigator (PI) should be a permanent staff member of the University of Peradeniya.
- The PI must not have been awarded a Multidisciplinary Research Grant in the preceding year.
- There should be at least two Co-Investigators (Co-I) out of which one should be from a different faculty to the Principal Investigator.
- The research team for the proposed project should not have more than 50% overlap with the research team of a Multidisciplinary Research Grant awarded in the previous year.
- Funds cannot be used concurrently with another grant for the same research.

The URC reserves the right to amend the eligibility criteria.

Procedure:

Please note that the grant applications should be submitted online on or before the deadline specified by the URC. You can access the grant submission portal through <https://rgms.pdn.ac.lk/>. Before entering the portal please get the following documents ready:

1. The project proposal as per the Project Proposal template converted into a pdf file
2. The project budget as per the Project Budget template converted into a pdf file
3. Full CV of the Principal Investigator as a pdf
4. Two-page CVs of all the Co-Investigators compiled into a single pdf
5. DOI of three journal papers or a link to conference papers (for any paper which doesn't have DOI, please upload the paper into a Google Drive and obtain the link)