

# SRM UNIVERSITY - AP, ANDHRA PRADESH

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# SEED GRANT ASSISTANCE POLICY OF SRM UNIVERSITY AP TO FULL TIME UG & PG STUDENTS FOR RESEARCH PROJECTS

The objective describes the guidelines and procedures for the SEED Grant assistance to full-time undergraduate (UG) and postgraduate (PG) students to carry out interdisciplinary projects. This support is intended to enable students to avail seed funding for research projects in niche areas. Society relevant research projects in high impact areas, for example, namely,  $\Lambda I/ML$ , Cyber Security, Development of Software, Materials, Healthcare, Energy, Water, Pollution Reduction, Environment, Climate Change Supply Chain Management, Smart Transportation and Infrastructure, Operations and Delivery, etc. Accordingly, a provision for funding the Student Seed Grant shall be made in the annual budget of the university. The Student Seed Funding is highly competitive and will be based on the following guidelines:

## 1. Eligibility Criteria

- 1.1) Support will be extended to full-time registered UG and PG students at SRM AP University.
- 1.2) A student must have a minimum CGPA of 8.00 (without any backlog) at time of application,

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Must have a minimum CGPA of 7.00 (without any backlog) and published at least one Scopus indexed journal paper from the research carried at SRM University.

- 1.3) Students with a history of disciplinary actions shall not be eligible.
- 1.4) A student can avail this grant only once during the tenure of his/her academic programme on campus.
- 1.5) If the student is working in group, then financial assistance shall be considered for the whole group and not on individual basis.
- 2. **Financial Assistance:** The financial assistance under Student Seed Funding can be given to an individual student or a group of students.

Category A: Individual Student: Maximum INR 25,000/-

Category B: Group of Students (minimum 2): Maximum INR 50,000/-

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- 3. The SEED grant funding may be used for,
  - a. Field data collection
  - b. Laboratory chemicals and consumables
  - c. Characterization/User Charge
  - d. Charges towards secondary data
  - e. Small electronic equipment/sensors etc.

Note: Purchase of pen drive, Hard Drive, Computers, Software, equipment, etc., are not permitted under this grant.

- **4. Evaluation Committee:** The constitution of evaluation committee to recommend the applications under this grant is,
  - Dean Research Chairperson
  - Assoc Dean SEAS Engineering, Member
  - Assoc Dean SEAS Sciences, Member
  - Prof. Vandana Swami, Easwari School of Liberal Arts, Member
  - Prof. Mahalaxmi Mudliar, Paari School of Business, Member
  - Representative of Chief Finance and Accounts Officer, Member
  - Assistant Dean-Research, Convener

## 5. Procedure for Application

- a. The applications shall be invited once in three months.
- b. Submission of research proposals in the prescribed format (Annexure I) duly recommended by the faculty supervisor, HOD and the Dean of respective school to Dean Research Office.
- c. Presentation of the proposal by the student under the faculty supervision to the Committee.
- d. Recommendation of the projects for funding subject to the availability of budget.

#### 6. Release of Funds:

- a) Once the committee decision is made the same will be informed to the applicant
- b) The successful applicants will receive the sanction order to utilize the fund during that financial year.
- c) The funds will be released in the name of Faculty supervisor.

## 7. Project Review:

The progress of the project will be reviewed by the committee once in a semester.

## 8. Expected Outcome:

One Publication in SCOPUS/WoS Index Journal or Conference proceeding

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One Patent to be Filed

**Note**: The awardees will duly acknowledge SRM University - AP in all the research outcomes. The awardees will publicize their research on university website, university newsletters and other social media platforms from time to time.

Registrar

Dr. R. PREMKUMAR

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# **Annexure -1 Application Form**

| Name of Student:                                                                          |                         |  |  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Registration No:                                                                          |                         |  |  |
| Program:                                                                                  | School:                 |  |  |
| CGPA:                                                                                     | Any Backlog: Yes □ No □ |  |  |
| Title of the Dreight                                                                      |                         |  |  |
| <ul><li>1. Title of the Project:</li><li>2. Problem Statement</li></ul>                   |                         |  |  |
| 3. Objectives                                                                             |                         |  |  |
| 4. Methodology                                                                            |                         |  |  |
| 5. Outcome                                                                                |                         |  |  |
| Budget in detail:                                                                         |                         |  |  |
| Item                                                                                      | Amount in INR           |  |  |
|                                                                                           |                         |  |  |
| Field data collection                                                                     |                         |  |  |
|                                                                                           |                         |  |  |
| Field data collection  Laboratory chemicals and consumables  Characterization/User Charge |                         |  |  |
| Laboratory chemicals and consumables Characterization/User Charge                         |                         |  |  |
| Laboratory chemicals and consumables                                                      |                         |  |  |

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(Copy of the Proposal to be attached)



# Research Supervisor/Faculty Mentor's Recommendations:

| Comments:                         |       |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--|
| Signature:                        | Date: |  |
| HOD's Recommendations:            |       |  |
| Comments:                         |       |  |
|                                   |       |  |
| Signature:                        | Date: |  |
| Dean of School's Recommendations: |       |  |
| Comments:                         |       |  |
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| Signature:                        | Date: |  |

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