**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

1. **Where can I register for SPARK?**

The dedicated web portal, i.e. <https://spark.ccras.nic.in> may be visited for registration and detailed information regarding SPARK program. The portal may be used to register as a guide or as a student.

1. **How to add guide at the time of proposal submission through SPARK portal?**

The respective guide must be registered as guide on the portal. At the time of proposal submission, the candidate shall be prompted to choose guide from the list available as drop-down.

PS: Some users may face some technical issues, as the portal is still in development phase, the concerned technical team is working diligently to resolve.

1. **Which all topics can I do as project?**

Concerned guide may be consulted for guidance.

1. **My college name is not showing in the portal. What should I do?**

As the SPARK program is extended only to the NCISM recognized colleges, please confirm whether your college is recognized by NCISM.

1. **When I try to register, it is showing server error. What should I do?**

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1. **I am about to complete my final year, but not have attended the final exam yet. Can I apply? (Eligibility)**

The eligibility criteria may be referred on SPARK website.

1. **Can I have a co-guide out of the institution for project proposal?**

Currently there is no provision for adapting co-guide.

1. **Which research areas are recommended for developing SPARK proposal?**

The candidate may consult concerned faculty/guide and may choose any topic of your area of interest.

1. **Where can I find the option to upload my last year mark sheet?**

The mark sheet can be uploaded in the first part of registration process.

1. **Where should I get the Application Attestation Form (AAF)?**

AAF can be downloaded from the second part of registration process.

1. **Where may I get my SPARK ID?**

The SPARK ID is generated after choosing the guide at the time of registration. However, due to ongoing development activity on the website some users may face technical error and the concerned team is working on it. Meanwhile, as mentioned in the notification, proposals may send on e-mail following the instructions mentioned therein.

(<https://spark.ccras.nic.in/static/important_notes.docx>)

In case of difficulty in getting SPARK-ID, Aadhaar number of student and guide may also be used for submission of PDF copy of proposal through email at spark.ayu@ccras.nic.in

1. **What is the last date of registration process and submission of proposal?**

The last date of registration and submission of proposal is October 31st, 2022.

1. **What is Application Attestation Form (AAF)?**

Application Attestation Form is mandatory document to be uploaded with the application. The form can be downloaded from SPARK website. This form is required to be filled in offline and passport size photograph should be pasted by the student. Further, the form is to be duly certified by the Guide and attested by Head of the Department and the Head of the institution/Principal/Dean of Ayurvedic Medical College. Once attestation form is signed by all the students must scan it and save it as a PDF file. Application will not be accepted unless accompanied with AAF.

1. **What is IEC?**

In clinical studies only, IEC (Institutional Ethics Committee) certificate submission at the time of application submission is optional however mandatory along with the final report. The guide of the student should obtain clearance certificate from the Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) as and when necessary.

1. **When will I get stipend?**

Stipend and certificate shall be awarded by 31st July (in the year of report submission), subject to due approvals.