Project name: Pink Paper

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I understand that I will be required to provide additional KYC information to the Optimism Foundation to receive this grant:

Yes

L2 recipient address:

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Grant category:

Tooling (Public Goods)

Is this proposal applicable to a specific committee?

No

Project description

:Pink Paper is a decentralized and permissionless publishing platform for individuals and communities worldwide to express their opinions and share the information with the rest of their communities. Users can come and publish blogs and other forms of content on the platform and showcase it to the world. At the same time, one can raise funds for their endeavors on the platform allowing donating to world-changing technologies. Pink Paper will provide a decentralized and censorship-free platform for everyone to use and express their views about different topics.

Project links:

- Website: https://pinkpaper.xyz/
- Twitter:@Pinkpaperxyz
- Please include all other relevant links below: <u>GitHub pinkpaper/pink-paper-frontend</u>: <u>This repo contains the open source frontend for PinkPaper.xyz</u>

Additional team member info

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Rupin Mathur(Founder)

He has been a Blockchain Maximalist since 2015 and an advocate of decentralization and self-sovereignty. He worked as marketing head for QuadB apparels from 2015-2017, India's second-largest custom apparel brand where he established the first VAL (Virtual Assembly Line) basically creating hundreds of nodal points for blue-collar workers scaling the business infinitely. From 2017 onwards, he decided to go all-in Web3 and thus acted a crucial part in setting up Finstreet, India's 1st Crypto Education Platform and scaled it to a community of 70,000+ Web3 Enthusiasts and 4.2 million social media following.

During this journey, he worked alongside brands such as Near, Algorand, WazirX, Huobi, Polygon, Aave, and many more to help bring their respective platforms adoption in the Indian Markets,

He has begun his journey to create and bring adoption for the Decentralized content management platform, Pink Paper

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Relevant usage metrics

: NA

Competitors, peers, or similar projects

(please link):

https://mirror.xyz/

Is/will this project be open sourced?

Yes

Optimism native?:

Date of deployment/expected deployment on Optimism:

Within two months after the grant approval

Ecosystem Value Proposition:

What is the problem statement this proposal hopes to solve for the Optimism ecosystem?

There are increased attacks from big tech worldwide on free speech. Big Tech platforms are increasingly banning specific individuals and communities from their platforms. In these testing times for free speech, Pink Paper aspires to protect the ethos of free speech and freedom for communities who want to raise their voice. Even Stani, founder of Aave was recently banned from Twitter for posting a joke which highlights the need for a decentralized platform.

How does your proposal offer a value proposition solving the above problem?

We will provide a free platform which will be available with zero censorship and there's increasing need for such a platform where users data is being used to profit billions and at the same time deplatform them anytime the big tech wants.

Why will this solution be a source of growth for the Optimism ecosystem?

With increased censorship by big tech decentralized, censorship free platforms will be in high demand. We want to cater to this growing demand and it will directly push the growth for Optimism ecosystem.

Has your project previously applied for an OP grant?

No

Number of OP tokens requested: 25,000

How much will your project match in co-incentives?

NA

Proposal for token distribution:

 How will the OP tokens be distributed? (please include % allocated to different initiatives such as user rewards/marketing/liquidity mining. Please also include a justification as to why each of these initiatives align with the problem statement this proposal is solving.)

Majority of the funds will be used for the development of the platform.

Adoption Strategy:

- We will be partnering with DAOs and companies to bring their content system on Pink Paper. It will be used for providing key updates and announcements for their communities.
- We will be launching a creator fund to incentivize writers, which will be distributed according to the engagement brought through their communities.
- We will be Collaborating with renowned authors, and novelists, and publish their upcoming novels on the Pink Papers platform, (increasing visibility and engagement of the platform through their communities)
- We will be Collaborating with Researchers and publish their research papers on the platform (this will give penetration into the community of learned individuals in various academic fields)
- We will be Collaborating with localized news agencies and publishers to have local, national and international news published on the platform.

Key Outcomes:

- 1. Adoption of the publishing platform by major individual contributors along with companies as it provides a fair and free platform to communicate with their communities.
- 2. Due to the Global, transparent & decentralized nature of the publishing platform, we will be able to better deliver to the different communities and readers around the world.
- 3. Pink Paper will provide the platform as a center for decentralized information flow.
- 4. One stop medium of communication with the communities of any type, size etc.

Development Roadmap:

First Phase: MVP

- A. Building MVP on Optimism with following features:
- a. Decentralized content publishing
- b. Tipping / Donations for the creators to contribute to creators' economy in OP token
- c. A minimalistic design for content creators to ease creating content
- B. Enhancing user experience while publishing and browsing, using the feedback of the community
- C. Building community and establishing the community on different social platforms
 - 1. Second Phase: Public Testnet Launch
- A. Pink Paper will launch a Community Funding Platform for projects.
- B. Partnerships with DAOs and projects to start publishing on the platform.
- C. Enhancing the security of the publishing platform.
- D. Changing the content template, where users can select from a variety of templates to showcase their blogs on.
 - 1. Third Phase: Mainnet Launch
- A. Partnerships across network to bring their content publishing on the platform.
- B. Dedicated section showcasing Optimism projects in active crowdfunding stage
- C. Strategic partnerships with publishers in different domains to build diversified content on the platform.
- D. Voice search feature
- E. Admin analytical dashboard where Pink Paper can see how the project is performing and strategize and plan the platform accordingly
- F. Improving SEO related services in the project over time so that relevant people get ranked in their content