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It would also provide support to institutions or organizations set up as Autonomous Organizations under a specific statute or as a society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 or Indian Trusts Act, 1882 leading to the development of state-of-the-art new technology solutions aimed at helping MSME clusters. Thrust Areas: The proposals shall preferably be considered in the following focus sectors: Green technology, Clean energy, Industrially utilizable smart materials, Waste to Wealth, Affordable Healthcare, Water and sewage Management and any other technology or knowledge-intensive area.ï»¿Contact UsScientist 'G' and HeadPromoting Innovations in Individuals, Start-ups and MSMEs (PRISM)Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Technology BhawanNew Mehrauli Road, New Delhi-110016.Phone: 011- 26590394; E-mail: skdpande@nic.in ; pkdutta@nic.inï»¿Scientist 'E' and Member SecretaryPromoting Innovations in Individuals, Start-ups and MSMEs (PRISM)Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Technology BhawanNew Mehrauli Road, New Delhi-110016.Phone: 011- 26590364; E-mail: tripta.garg@nic.inBenefitsProject cost up to â,¹5,00,000 to help Innovators convert their ideas into demonstrable models/prototypes. Maximum support under this category is â,¹2,00,000 or 90% of the approved project cost, whichever is lower.ï»¿NOTE 1: The financial support is not an award or a prize or a research fellowship. The financial support is provided for the work to be undertaken.NOTE 2: Elements like self-salary, rent of own accommodation, creation of infrastructure facility like shed etc should not form the component of support/funds. The support/funds should be mainly for prototype development work/proof of concept. EligibilityAny Indian citizen including student innovator can avail support to develop their novel idea into demonstrable models/prototypes.The proposals shall preferably be in the following focus sectors: Green Technology, Clean Energy, Industrially utilizable smart materials, Waste to wealth, Affordable healthcare, water & sewage management, and any other technology or knowledge-intensive area.ï»¿NOTE 1: When a group of students want to pursue the project, then there has to be an agreement among the group about the lead applicant. Though financial support can be given only to a single applicant by name, a letter of appreciation can be given by the department to all the students of the team, after successful completion of the project. NOTE 2: The support is primarily aimed at encouraging student innovators. However, in general, any Indian Citizen having an innovative idea or an invention and wishing to demonstrate his idea in the form of a basic stage model/prototype/process thus providing proof of his concept can apply to this category.ExclusionsThe projects relating to pure software development and those involving pure academic research are not eligible.Students pursuing long-term research projects like doctoral research projects or similar projects will not be supported; however, student entrepreneurs will be eligible if they have the right to commercially exploit the technology.Application ProcessOfflineOnlineThe eligible applicants are requested to submit their applications complete in all respects to the nearest TOCIC.ï»¿Step 1: Proposal SubmissionSubmit your project proposal in the prescribed format to the nearest TePP Outreach cum Cluster Innovation Centres (TOCICs). You can also consult with TOCIC coordinators for guidance before applying.Step 2: Initial ScreeningUpon receipt, TOCIC coordinators will screen the proposals for completeness. They will forward the proposals to Domain Knowledge Experts for evaluation.Step 3: Expert EvaluationDomain Knowledge Experts associated with TOCIC will evaluate the proposals.Step 4: RecommendationComplete and evaluated proposals are sent to DSIR for further action. They will be considered by the PRISM Advisory and Screening Committee (PASC) for recommendation.Step 5: Grant ApprovalOnce approved by the Department, the applicant needs to sign "Terms & Conditions" before the release of grants-in-aid.Step 6: Fund ReleaseThe first release is based on project milestones and recommendations by PASC. Subsequent releases depend on project progress assessed by the Project Review Committee (PRC).Step 7: Project MonitoringTOCIC and other network partners, including technical experts, will monitor the approved projects. TOCIC will report project status to DSIR every 3 months. PRCs of external experts will review project progress at least once every 9 months.Step 8: Project ClosureAfter successful project closure, the project completion report will be accepted by the Competent Authority in DSIR, based on PRC recommendation.You need to sign in before applying for schemesCancelSign InSomething went wrong. 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Project status is reported to DSIR every three months.What committee is responsible for recommending PRISM grants?The PRISM Advisory

and Screening Committee (PASC) considers and recommends project proposals for approval. Who evaluates the project proposals in the PRISM scheme? Domain Knowledge Experts associated with TOCIC evaluate the project proposals. What is the role of TOCIC coordinators in the application process? TOCIC coordinators screen project proposals for completeness and forward them to Domain Knowledge Experts for evaluation. Can you provide examples of knowledge-intensive areas supported by PRISM? Knowledge-intensive areas can include fields such as information technology, biotechnology, and advanced manufacturing. How does PRISM contribute to promoting innovation? PRISM encourages innovation by supporting individuals and institutions in developing state-of-the-art technology solutions. How does PRISM handle group projects with multiple students? PRISM supports only a single lead applicant with financial aid, but a letter of appreciation is provided to all students in the team upon successful project completion. What is the maximum project cost supported by PRISM? PRISM supports project costs up to ₹15,00,000, with a maximum of ₹2,00,000 or 90% of the approved project cost, whichever is lower. What are the contact details for PRISM in New Delhi? You can reach out to Scientist 'G' at skdpande@nic.in or Scientist 'E' at tripta.garg@nic.in for PRISM-related inquiries. How does PRISM contribute to inclusive development? By supporting individual innovators, PRISM helps achieve the agenda of inclusive development, which is one of the thrust areas of the XIIth five-year plan (2012-2017).

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