RESEARCH SEED GRANT – NIT RAIPUR

To create research environment among the newly joined Assistant Professors in NIT Raipur and to create opportunities for the researchers to explore their research ideas, **Research Seed Grant Scheme NITRR** is proposed.

Objectives:

- 1. To submit research proposals to other funding agencies with the help of outcomes of the seed grant funded project.
- 2. To publish research papers in peer reviewed journals.
- 3. Hardware/software development related for patent applications.

Grant Amount:

An amount of Rs. 5.00 Lakhs as Research Seed Grant will be allocated. The amount will be allocated against individual research proposal to individual investigators only. Co – Principal Investigators are not permitted under this scheme.

Eligibility:

Newly Joined Regular faculty members under Four Tier of NIT Raipur are eligible to apply under the scheme

Content of the Proposal:

- 1. Title of the proposal
- 2. Time period (maximum three years)
- 3. Research Objectives
- 4. Current status of the work (Review with research gap identified).
- 5. Estimated budget year wise in following heads
 - a. Equipment/Items
 - (electronic gadgets, computers and its peripherals are not permitted)
 - b. Consumables
- 6. Methodology & Research Plan of the proposed work
- 7. Names of at least two reviewers (subject experts of minimum Associate Professor level) from NIT Raipur. In case of non availability of subject experts at NIT Raipur names of external reviewers from other centrally funded higher Institute of learning can be provided.
- 8. Brief Resume of the Investigator.

Note: All purchases have to be done as per Institute norms.

Process:

Application along with the proposal needs to be sent to Dean R&C's office for evaluation through evaluation committee and for approval from the Director.

Rules for Seed Grant:

- 1. Travel grant for data collection is permitted.
- 2. The project is limited for a maximum of three years.
- 3. Progress report for every six months need to be submitted to Dean R&C in the form of budget utilization and achieving the objectives.

Proposal evaluation committee:

Committee will be composed of four members as following:

- 1. Dean R&C Chairman
- 2. Head of the Department- convener
- 3. Minimum two subject experts members.

Project Execution:

The investigator will carry out the work as per the approved proposal and will be submitting the details as mentioned above. The project can be supported by any other external agency details of which needs to be reported to Dean R & C's office immediately. Progress of the project will be communicated to Board of Governors on regular interval.

Evaluation of the completed project report

Once the project completion report in the prescribed format (attached) is submitted by the PI, it will be evaluated by the committee same as the initial project proposal evaluation committee comprising of:

- 1. Dean (R & C) Chairman
- 2. Head of the department –convener
- 3. Minimum two subject experts Members

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