

# Institution of Eminence University of Delhi

## FACULTY RESEARCH PROGRAMME (FRP)

### Call for Research Proposals (2023-2024)

Dated: July 19, 2023

In continuation of the commitment to support and expand its research profile, the University of Delhi under the Institution of Eminence (IoE) scheme invites short-term research proposals (one-year duration) from the faculty members of the University Departments and Centers for the year 2023-24.

- i. Research proposals are invited from the faculty members of the University of Delhi individually or in collaboration with other researchers as Co-PIs (up to one) from within/outside the University including University of Delhi Colleges.
- ii. The maximum financial assistance under this scheme for various Faculties/Subjects of the University is as follows:

Faculty/Subject	Maximum Financial Assistance (Rs.)*
Experimental Sciences <sup>†</sup> /Interdisciplinary & Applied Sciences	5,00,000/-
Theoretical Sciences <sup>†</sup> /Mathematical Sciences	4,00,000/-
Social Sciences/Interdisciplinary & Applied Social Sciences/Management	3,00,000/-
Humanities/Law/Others	2,00,000/-

<sup>\*</sup>Maximum financial assistance to a PI shall, however, depend on the nature of the proposed research.  $^{\dagger}$ To be verified based on last three years' (May 01, 2020 to April 30, 2023) publications.

- iii. The proposed study should address an intellectual inquiry with a clear hypothesis and specific objective(s).
- iv. The research proposal should have the clearly defined objectives and the expected outcomes to be achieved within the specified duration.
- v. The research work should be designed keeping in mind the already existing laboratory/software/equipment/machinery/infrastructure available with the PI/Co-PI(s).
- vi. The proposal is to be submitted online on the web link, namely: <a href="https://ioe.du.ac.in/ioe-form/frontend/web/">https://ioe.du.ac.in/ioe-form/frontend/web/</a>
- vii. The last date for the submission of research proposals is: July 31, 2023.

#### Eligibility

- The PI must be in permanent service in the University at the time of submitting the project proposal and shall have remaining service at least up to March, 2024.
- The PI should not be on leave for more than three months at the time of applying and/or during the duration of the project.
- All assets generated from the FRPs should be entered into the stock register maintained by the PI and/or Department. A certificate in this regard to be submitted while applying for the FRP 2023-2024 only for the faculty members who have less than 3 (three) years of service left in the university.



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### Screening Criteria

Faculty members who are meeting the following criteria will only be considered for the FRP 2023-2024 research grant:

• Research Publications in the past 3 years (May 01, 2020 to April 30, 2023):

(Criteria of screening shall be based either on the cumulative impact factor or the number of research publications as mentioned below):

Faculty/Subject	Cumulative Impact Factor	Minimum No. of Research Publications*†#@
Experimental Sciences/Interdisciplinary & Applied Sciences	15	7
Theoretical Sciences/Mathematical Sciences	12	6
Social Sciences/Interdisciplinary & Applied Social Sciences/Management	8	5
Humanities/Law/Others	6	4

<sup>\*</sup>The quality of research papers/publications shall be assessed in terms of SCIE/SSCI/A&HCI journals.

- The decision of the reviewer(s) and the Proposal Evaluation Committee (PEC) shall be final.
- The outcomes in terms of publications/books/patents from FRP 2020-2021, FRP 2021-2022 and FRP-2022-2023 shall also be considered while evaluating the proposal.

### **Budget Utilization:**

- i. Re-appropriation of the budget will not be entertained after sanctioning the project. However, the competent authority may allow re-appropriation to a maximum of 10%, subject to PI providing a proper justification for the same within 60 days of receipt of the sanction letter.
- ii. The following purchases/expenditures will not be allowed under this scheme: video recording instrument, air conditioner, room heater, camera, furniture, home theatre, mobile phone, television, international travel, AMC, crockery, etc.
- iii. The purchase of a laptop within a limit of Rs. 90,000/- is permissible only through GeM subject to the condition that the PI will not avail any financial support from the Department/Centre/IoE/University of Delhi for this purpose in the next three years.
- iv. No arbitrary expenditure on stationery or photocopying shall be claimed.
- v. All purchases shall be done as per the existing financial rules of the University & GFR 2017.
- vi. If the project involves fieldwork, details of the field/experimental site(s) should be provided. However, the budgetary requirement for the fieldwork shall not exceed the permitted capped budget allocation.

<sup>\*</sup>Only original research articles will be considered. Review, correspondence, commentary, book chapter, etc. will not be considered.

<sup>†</sup>At least, 50% of the publications should be in the capacity of First/Corresponding Author.

 $<sup>^{\#}</sup>A$  book authored in an individual capacity by a PI from a reputed publisher shall be equivalent to 2 (two) research publications.

 $<sup>^{@}</sup>A$  patent (published/granted) / technology transfer by a PI shall be equivalent to 2 (two) research publications.



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- vii. Travel to hometown or personal visits or travel of the collaborators shall not be admissible.
- viii. Travel related to attending a conference/seminar must be supported with the relevant documents (invitation letter, participation certificate).
  - ix. Travel related to the visit to a department/university/institute/center and necessary for the proposed research work/data collection/measurements must be supported by an invitation letter/certificate from the Head/Director/Vice-Chancellor of the said institution.
  - x. Travel reimbursement will only be considered after the submission of the duly approved leave certificate from the SAMARTH portal and purchase of tickets as per the University of Delhi guidelines.
  - xi. The financial assistance received from the IoE must be duly acknowledged in all publication(s)/patent(s), etc. obtained/published out of the FRP.
- xii. Any misappropriation and/or wrongful utilization of funds would amount to disciplinary action against the PI/Co-PI, as per the University rules.

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