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IKS Language Center Proposals Program 2023-24

Application and Instructions

Dates to Remember

Announcement of program	June 23, 2023
Proposals Due by	July 31, 2023
Announcement of Awards	End of August 2023
Funding Available	End of September 2023
Progress Report Due	First week of February 2024
Mid-term Review of the project	August 31, 2024
Final Report Due	August 31, 2025

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Website for proposal submission: https://iksindia.org/iks-center-form.php

About Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) Division

Home to the oldest continuously living civilization of the world, the Indian subcontinent has been a knowledge and manufacturing powerhouse of the world for most of the known history. A Dharmic culture that emphasized the development of all dimensions of humanity with an emphasis on living in harmony with oneself, one's environment, and the universe at large. It is becoming very apparent from the recent developments around the world that the current models of development are unsustainable and are in serious conflict with nature. The rising inequalities in the modern world point to a dire need for new paradigms of development.

There is an Indian way that is both sustainable and strives for the welfare of all. The grand vision for the IKS Division of Ministry of Education is to initiate a process of training generations of scholars who will show the 'Indian way' to the world. If we want to become the Knowledge Leader in this century and be the 'Viśvaguru', it is imperative that we regain a comprehensive knowledge of our heritage and demonstrate the 'Indian way' of doing things to the entire world. Therefore, the IKS Division of Ministry of Education has been established with a vision to ***promote interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary research on all aspects of Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS), update and disseminate IKS knowledge for further innovations and societal applications.***

Functions of IKS division:
1) Facilitate and coordinate IKS based/related inter and transdisciplinary work done by various institutions in India and abroad including Universities, institutions of national importance, R&D laboratories and different ministries and inspire private sector organizations to engage with it.
2) Establish, guide and monitor subject-wise interdisciplinary research groups comprising of researchers from institutes, centers and individuals.
3) Create and promote popularization schemes.
4) Facilitate funding of various projects and develop mechanisms to undertake research.
5) Make Policy recommendations wherever required for the promotion of IKS.

About Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti

Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, constituted the 'Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti' - High Powered Committee for Promotion of Indian languages. The Samiti's mandate is to explore and recommend speedy pathways for the holistic and multi-disciplinary growth of Indian languages as envisaged in the National Education Policy-2020. The committee has been entrusted to advise the Ministry on all matters pertaining to revitalization of existing language teaching and research and its extension in various institutions in the country. The committee is mandated to closely coordinate with various students' centric initiatives of the Ministry like Innovation Cell, Indian Knowledge System etc. leading to 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat'

Overview of the IKS Center (Bhasha Kendram) Proposals Program

This program is a collaborative program between the IKS Division and the Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti, two independent divisions of the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India. The main purpose of this program is to establish IKS Centers that will help the IKS Division to support the implementation of the NEP 2020 at national level by providing authentic source materials, prepare course materials, deliver courses, and disseminate the content created in the domain of IKS in various Bharatiya bhashas. ***Our goal for this program is to fund secondary research, education and outreach programs in various Bharatiya bhashas.*** The Bhasha Kendras are expected to be focused on the Bharatiya bhasha in the particular region, the Bhasha Kendra is located. The goal of this program is to establish 22 IKS Centers in each of the languages in the Schedule 8 of the constitution of India.

Primary research is not expected and is actively discouraged for this proposal call. This implies that proposals that propose to conduct research, experiments and commentaries on existing texts will be out of scope for this proposal call. Proposals to establish generalized centers without identifying deliverables that help in supporting the IKS mandate of the NEP 2020 are highly discouraged and will be rejected at first step of the review process. *Involving students, younger faculty with an aim to train and nurture next generation of scholars is highly encouraged.*

Available Funding: The funds available to support the IKS Centers are discretionary funds provided by the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India to support the activities of the IKS Division. The level of funding available for the program each year is determined by the MoE, Govt. of India. Typical projects will be funded in the range of Rs. 5.0-12.0 Lakhs for two years. In some cases, where the projects need extensive travel and other special needs higher level of funding will be considered. But in no case will the maximum award exceed Rs. 15 Lakhs over a period of two years.

Nature of support and expected activities: Each IKS Bhasha Kendra will be supported with funding for the manpower (Research fellows, project associates and interns), supplies, facilities and miscellaneous expenses.

The primary task of the Bhasha Kendra will be to support the IKS division in implementing the NEP 2020 through the activities (these are example activities and not an exhaustive list) described below.

1. Collect scholarly work including articles, manuscripts, books related to IKS in the regional languages.
2. Prepare reference booklets (100-150 pages) on various topics related to IKS in the particular regional language of the Bhasha Kendra.
3. Prepare Sanskrit and English translations of the reference booklets and other materials prepared.

Expected deliverables for one year:

1. A least 10 booklets (100-150 pages) on IKS related topics based on the regional language sources must be prepared. These booklets must also be made available in Sanskrit and English for wider national level dissemination.
2. A minimum of 1000 pages of IKS related materials in Sanskrit/English must be translated into regional language.
3. A minimum of one course (30-40 hours of lectures/course) at the level of undergraduate or above must be delivered and curated for preparation of online courses in future.

The IKS Division retains the right for using all the materials created and curated by the Bhasha Kendras without paying any further royalties. The copyright must be transferred to the IKS Division. The contributing authors will maintain their authorship of all the documents.

Honorariums for Project personnel:

1. The principal Investigator will be paid an honorarium of Rs.1.00 lakhs/year.
2. A Co-PI or Collaborator will be paid an honorarium of Rs.0.5 Lakhs/year.
3. In case of multiple Co-PIs or Collaborators, an honorarium of Rs.1.5 Lakhs/year will be divided equally among them up to a maximum of Rs.0.5 Lakhs/year- Co-PI or Collaborator.
4. No other type of honorariums/payments will be accepted for PIs/Co-PIs/Collaborators.
5. The honorarium amounts will be released only after completion of all the deliverables of the project for the year. For example, the honorariums for the first year will be released after the completion of deliverables for the first year at the beginning of the second year.

IKS Center Evaluation:
The success of the IKS centers will be monitored through quarterly follow up to the principal investigators (PIs), and yearly reports on the activities of the centers. The project outputs will be updated on the IKS cell website to help disseminate the results among the IKS community. The metrics to evaluate the performance of the IKS centers will include the number of research papers published, publications in peer-reviewed literature, popular articles, student training and mentoring, faculty development workshops, monographs, and textbooks published in addition to other appropriate metrics which will be communicated to the PIs in advance. ***IKS Division reserves the right to discontinue funding if there is no satisfactory progress (as indicated by an independent expert review) in any IKS Center after the first year.***

Proposal Eligibility Criteria/Preparation and Submission Instructions

The IKS Division is inviting proposals from institutions working in the Indian Knowledge Systems. Faculty members in any Govt. recognized educational institutions (private/public) and any Govt. departments are eligible to apply. To be eligible for this grant, NGOs/Trusts/foundations must be *solely working* in the research and education related to Indian Knowledge Systems. **Independent researchers without an institutional affiliation <u>are not</u> eligible to apply. The principal and co-investigators of already funded IKS centers in earlier rounds <u>are not eligible </u>to apply.**

Funding best research is our priority. When proposals are similarly scored, we give preference to assistant professors, associate professors, and professors (in this order). **An institute can submit only one IKS Center proposal. <u>If multiple IKS Center proposals are received from an institute, all proposals will be rejected without review.</u> The proposal can be submitted in any Indian Language included in Eighth Schedule or English.**

1. The IKS center Proposal(s) should focus on describing how the center will support the IKS Division's effort to support the implementation of NEP 2020.
2. **<u>Principal Investigator must be fluent/expert in at least two Bharatiya bhashas.</u>**
3. **<u>It is mandatory requirement that the team must have at least two persons (PI or Co-PI or Collaborator) who can read the primary texts without the aid or any translations.</u>**
4. Joint (multi institutional) and interdisciplinary projects are preferred, and encouraged.
5. Typical projects will be funded in the range of Rs. 5.0-12.0 Lakhs for two years. In some cases, where the experimental projects require substantial resources higher level of funding will be considered. But in no case will the maximum award exceed **Rs. 15 Lakhs** over a period of two years.
6. All proposals must have a minimum of 25% matching grants (Both in actual funds and/or in-kind support)
7. The project must be **completed before the project deadline indicated on the first page** unless an extension is granted.
8. **Proposal submission deadline is 11:59 p.m. on the date indicated on the first page and must be submitted through online portal (iksindia.org) only**. <u>Any other form of submission will not be considered. Please do not send proposals by email/hardcopy.</u> *<u>Late proposals will not be accepted for any reason</u>*.
9. IKS Division reserves the right to nominate proposals to the review panel that further the IKS Division's mission as determined by internal review. The nominated proposals will be considered on an equal basis and will undergo the same peer review process as other proposals.
10. Awards will be announced, and funds will be available in early Aug 31, 2023.
11. Progress reports are due on the dates indicated on the first page. The research carried out in the project will be reviewed at the end of one year by an external
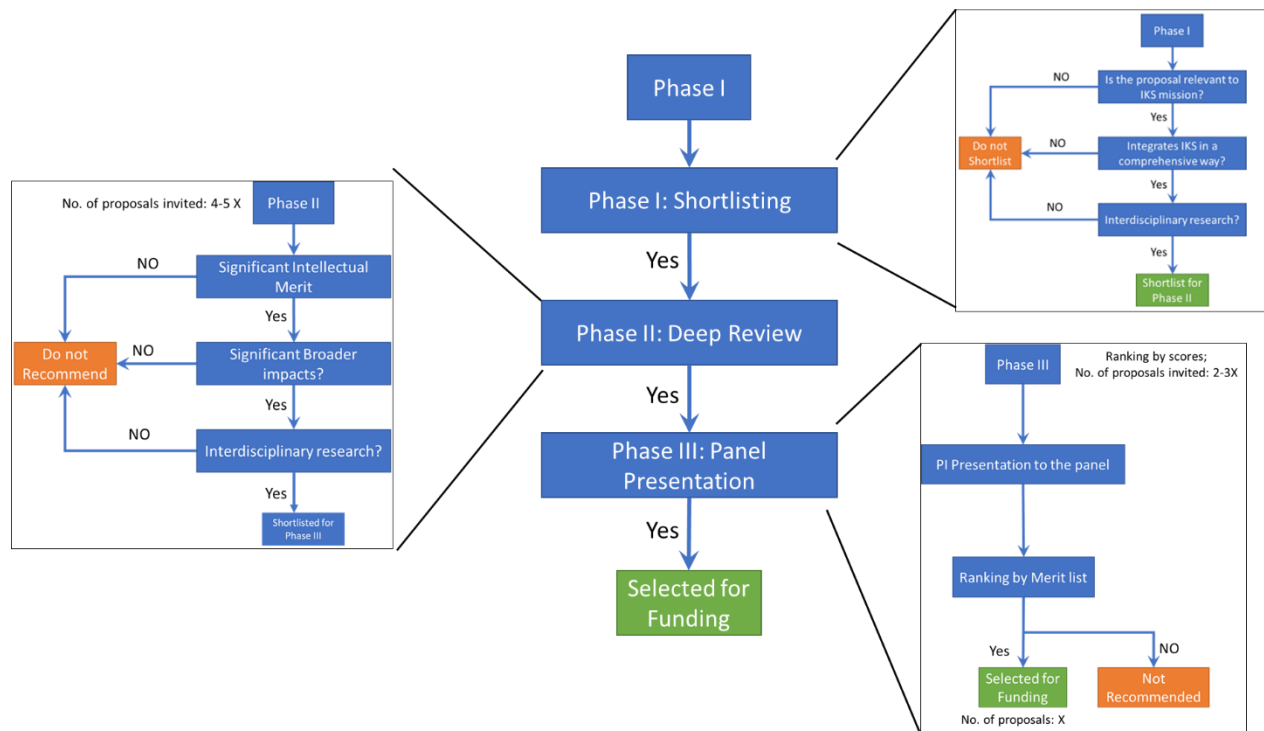
expert committee. Future grants will be made only upon favorable recommendations.

12. Besides a detailed report, IKS division requests that a no more than 300-word layperson language summary (Suitable for publicly posting on the webpage) and several photos of your work be submitted with each report. These may be used in IKS's annual report or on our website.

13. Failure to follow the following proposal guidelines detailed below will result in your proposal not being reviewed or funded
    - Please use the proposal template provided. If you use the version at the end of this document, you will need to adjust pagination and margins.
    - Use the signature page provided and make it a separate page in your document.
    - Complete the cover page provided. Make it a separate page in your document.
    - The proposal body should not be more than ten (10) pages long. Please write your proposal in clear simple language. Do not list references unless you cite them.
    - Use 1-inch margins on all sides, single line spacing, at least 11-point font.
    - If you use page numbers, place them at bottom center.
    - A complete proposal includes the following documents in the same order (**as a single pdf only**):
        - Document 1: cover page
        - Document 2: Proposal narrative
        - Document 3: Budget page
        - Document 4: PI and Co-PI resumes
        - Document 5: PI signature and institutional approval pages
    - The size of the single document files must be <15MB.
    - Once your proposal is finalized, save it as a PDF file using this naming format BGSBK2_YOURLASTNAME.

14. Submission Process
    - Please visit the IKS Division website and fill the details here: iksindia.org
    - Upload your PDF proposal files (<15 MB) and then press the submit button
    - If your submission has been successful, you will receive the message **"This is a formal acceptance of your file. Your response has been recorded successfully to IKS Division. No other emails will be sent to you regarding confirmation of your proposal".**

15. Budget Distribution:
    - The available funding for the IKS Centers over two years would be sanctioned in three installments.
    - Proposals proposing more than the budget limit will be returned without review and automatically excluded from the review process.
    - Funding will be provided to support the following

- **Salary** for project personnel/project associates/research fellowships/internships.
  Honorariums: The principal Investigator will be paid an honorarium of 1.0 lakhs/year. In case of Co-PIs or Collaborators, the honorarium of Rs. 1.5 Lakhs/year will be divided equally among them up to a maximum of Rs. 0.5 Lakhs/year- Co-PI or Collaborator. No other type of honorariums will be accepted for PIs/Co-PIs/Collaborators. The honorarium amounts will be released only after completion of all the deliverables of the project for the year. For example, the honorariums for the first year will be released after the completion of deliverables for the first year at the beginning of the second year.
  - **Supplies:** Acquisition of resource such as books are acceptable under this budget head.
  - **Education/Mentoring/Outreach:** Any funding for effectively implementing the education, mentoring and outreach plan is permitted. **No Conferences must be conducted under this head.** The outreach activities must be exclusively IKS-centric and must focus on the core areas of the respective IKS centers.
  - **Travel:** Any travel and related expenses should be used exclusively for site visits. The maximum funding allowed under this head is Rs. 50,000/- for 2 years.
  - **Contingencies:** Maximum contingency allowed is 5% of the total budget.
  - **Overhead:** Maximum overhead allowed is 5% of the total budget.

- **Matching grants:** A minimum of 25% matching grant through monetary or in-kind support is required to demonstrate institutional commitment to the IKS Center. Please indicate monetary and in-kind support for the matching grant requirement. Matching grant requirement can also be met through the in-kind support such as funding support for the office staff, infrastructural facilities for the establishment of IKS center such as dedicated office space for the Center, computers and other IT support, experimental facilities, and any other in-kind support.

- **Total budget = Budget request from the IKS Division+Matching Grant.** This must not exceed the Rs. 15 Lakhs for the two years.

Review Process

1. We will follow a blind three phase peer review process.
2. The rating criteria that will be used by the reviewers are given in the next section.
3. All proposals will be reviewed by multiple independent experts.
4. There will be a presentation before an expert committee for final selection.
5. The PIs in Phase III will receive the average scores for their proposal and the reviewer comments. The minimum cutoff score for the selected proposals will also be shared in the interest of process integrity and transparency.
6. The IKS Division will be bound by the decisions of the review panel regarding the selection of the proposals.

Figure 1. Overview of the three-phase review process

Proposal Rating Criteria

The following criteria will be used by the reviewers of your proposal to evaluate and rank your proposal against others. Please think about these questions carefully and answer them clearly in your proposal using the proposal structure specified.

- Is this IKS Center's mission focusing on the areas **relevant** to Bharatiya languages described in this call? (20 points)
- Is this IKS Center focusing on the language related with implementation of NEP 2020? (10 points)
- Are the IKS Center plans and goals clearly stated and **understandable**? (10 points)
- Will the results of this study be **useful**? Might they **make a difference**? (15 points)
- Does the proposed center have **a clear education plan**? (10 points)
- Does the proposed center have **a clear mentoring plan** for students and younger faculty? (10 points)
- Will the results be **communicated** to appropriate audiences? (5 points)
- Does the proposed **budget seem appropriate** for the work to be executed in the project? (5 points)
- Does the PI and the team have necessary **competence, prior experience and expertise** to undertake the proposed research in the proposed topic? (15 points)

Strength of the proposal (up to 100 words): Please list the specific strengths of the proposal.

Weakness of the proposal (up to 100 words): Please list the specific weaknesses of the proposal if any.

NOT withstanding the weaknesses do you think that there are some specific reasons due to which the project may still be considered for support?

Summary Statement (up to 100 words): Please indicate whether this proposal should be supported or not.

Further guidance on proposal preparation

Considerations in preparing your proposal:

1. The main purpose of this program is to establish IKS Centers that will **help the IKS Division to support the implementation of the NEP 2020 at national level by providing authentic source materials, prepare course materials, deliver courses, and disseminate the content created in** the domain of IKS in various Bharatiya bhashas.

2. A good proposal will emphasize how the proposed research is intended to contribute towards the IKS's mission either in the near future (applied) or by leading to developments further in the future (basic). Simply satisfying curiosity or compiling data for a refereed paper will not be in the interest of the IKS Division and will not impress the reviewers.

3. **The projects must strictly be related to the purpose of this proposal solicitation.** Projects which are not within the scope of this solicitation will be rejected in Phase 1 review (internal review process) without any further communication in this regard. Projects must have clear scope that can be completed in two years. The projects must have clear quantifiable deliverables. Writing a comprehensive report is required for all projects. For projects that involve hands-on activities etc., a comprehensive multimedia documentation is expected.

   Table 1. Examples of what qualify/do not qualify as an IKS Center (Bhasha Kendra) project

Is an IKS Center (Bhasha Kendra) project	Is NOT an IKS Center (Bhasha Kendra) project
Preparation of booklets on various mathematical treatises of India.	A IKS Yoga Kendra.
Development of introductory materials for the six astika darshanas for classes 9-12.	Application of Vedanta for multiple age groups.

4. Clear communication is the key: Proposals that clearly specify the contribution of the research will be scored higher.

5. Because conveying the results of research to potential users is important, requesting funds for defraying costs of such activities is permitted.

6. We do not fund acquisition or construction of facilities (bricks and mortar). Requests for equipment needed to carry out proposed research are permitted. The proposal must describe your need and specify how the equipment will be used in this specific research. Funding will not be provided to better equip your laboratory or facilitate other work.

7. It may happen that your reviewers could be scholars who may have only a minimal familiarity with the details of your specialized field. Please write your justification, objectives, procedures, and impacts such that a person who may only have a limited

background in your area can understand your argument. A proposal that reviewers cannot readily understand is likely to be poorly rated and not funded.

8. While it may be easy for you to cut-and-paste material from another proposal when preparing your IKS proposal, your proposal will be rejected if it is obvious that you have done so. Even if you borrow phrases or ideas (NOT cut and paste) ensure that you proofread your proposal to remove any telltale dates, timelines or references that could serve as a cut and paste "giveaway."

9. Future funding is difficult to predict but tell us how the results of your research might help lead to future grant funding from other sources.

10. Please keep in mind that funds to finance the centers is limited. We will make a call on the number of proposals to be funded based on the availability of funds and quality of proposals.

11. Please ensure that you cite all your references in your text. Be sure to remove "ghost" references – a citation listed in the text but not the reference section. All proposals must include at least one primary text in the references. Please do not use web links to journal articles.

12. If you intend to use IKS project funds in concert with other funding to complete a project, be sure to thoroughly describe the other funding source(s) and amount(s) on your budget page. Reviewers are interested in knowing about funds leveraging possibilities.

13. Please direct any questions to team IKS (**ikscenters@aicte-india.org**).

THE INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS DIVISION OF MoE

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IKS Center (Bhasha Kendram) PROPOSAL COVER PAGE (not included in page limit)

Proposal title:

Language:

Lead Researcher (Principal Investigator):

    Name:

    Email address:

    Phone number:

    Academic rank:

    Appointment type:

    Physical work location:

    Academic home department:

Co-PI(s) (if any):

Cooperator(s)/ Collaborator(s) (if any):

Project Budget Amount:

I certify that I will lead the project and complete all the tasks outlined in the proposal. I certify that a complete project report will be submitted at the end of the project and the funding support from IKS Division of MoE will be acknowledged in any publication resulting from this work.

Principal Investigator

_____
                                                                       Date

Principal Investigator Printed Name:

IKS CENTER (BHASHA KENDRAM) PROPOSAL BODY *(Ten-page limit; Proposals that exceed the word limits for individual sections will be returned without review)*

Overview of the project (250 words): What is the project about? Describe the project idea here. What are the focus areas for this IKS Center?

Contribution to the IKS Mission (250 words): How does this project contribute to the IKS Division's mission?

Justification (500 words): Please provide a justification for the project and its importance.

Objectives and timelines (250 words): Please provide a clear list of specific objectives for this IKS Center. Two-Four objectives are reasonable for this RFP. Clear and specific objectives will be given higher weightage.

Project Intellectual merit (250 words): What is the intellectual merit of this IKS Center? What are the topics chosen for content curation? Clearly specify why the chosen topics are important and how it will contribute to the school, undergraduate/post graduate curriculum development. What are the disciplines that will benefit from the materials created under this project?

Proposed topics for the content curation (500 words): What are the IKS topics that will be curated and translated FROM Bharatiya Bhasha INTO English and Sanskrit? What are the primary texts that will be referred to for curation of the content? Why is it important to do this? Are there alternative books/content already available in English/Sanskrit?

List of the courses that will be developed in this project. (500 words): Please provide the broad outline of the courses that will be developed under this project. Provide a course outline. Describe what kind of supporting materials will be developed under this scheme. Identify the level (School, UG, PG) of students for whom this course would be useful.

Proposed topics for the content curation (500 words): What are the topics related to contemporary knowledge that will be curated and translated FROM English/any language INTO Bharatiya Bhasha? What are the primary texts that will be referred to for curation of the content? Why is it important to do this? Are there alternative books/content already available in the Bharatiya Bhasha?

Outputs and outcomes of the proposal (500 words): What are the outputs and outcomes of the project? Please prepare a list of specific outcomes and outputs. DO NOT use paragraphs to describe the outputs/outcomes.
Please provide:
  i.   a table of 10 topics on which the booklets will be prepared,
  ii.   Names of the courses, course objectives, and target student level.
  iii. Content that will be translated into the Bharatiya Bhasha

Communication Dissemination plan (250 words): How do you plan to disseminate the results from your center to school/high school/undergraduate students? How do you plan to reach general public? How will you promote the IKS among the general public? Please be specific about the proposed activities.

Project team expertise (250 words): Please tell us about the prior experience of the PI and the Co-PIs in the proposed topic. What are the facilities available to the team to perform the research work outlined in the proposal? Expertise existing with each of the investigators in terms of preliminary results, to execute every component of the proposal should be highlighted.

Specific roles of Co-PI(s) and Cooperator(s), if listed on cover page (250 words): What are the specific roles of the team members? The team must include substantial contribution from all members. If the proposal contains more than one investigator, it is important to clearly mention the role of each Investigator in implementing the objectives of the proposal.

Timelines (100 words): Indicate timelines for project tasks and schedule of activities giving milestones through BAR diagram.

References cited *(not included in the page limit)***:**

- **Primary References:** *Cannot be left blank.* Must include at least one primary text. Primary references are the original texts pertaining to the research proposed. These are typically in Sanskrit or other Bharatiya Bhasas. ***The team must have at least one person who can read the primary text without the aid or any translations.***
- **Translated primary texts and Secondary References:** These pertain to the translations of the primary texts into various languages including English. Secondary references refer to the texts/articles such as commentaries for the primary texts.
- **Other references:** All other pertinent references are included here.

IKS Center (BHASHA KENDRAM) BUDGET *(not included in the page limit – please round all figures to nearest hundred rupees)*

NOTE: Please do not exceed the **Rs. 15 Lakhs** per project limit. Proposals proposing more than the budget limit will be returned without review and automatically excluded from the review process.

Salaries: Include the salaries for the research fellows/project associates in this project. PI or Co-PI salaries/honorariums are NOT supported.

Supplies: Funding for minor office supplies and other ancillary services not more than Rs.50,000/- can be included here.

Education/Mentoring/Outreach: Any funding for effectively implementing the education, mentoring and outreach plan is permitted. The outreach activities must be exclusively IKS centric and must focus on the core areas of the respective IKS centers.

Travel and conferences: Any travel and related expenses for field visits and data collection is allowed. Other travel for domestic/international conferences is explicitly not allowed. The PI's must plan on attending the Annual IKS Symposium/conference.

Contingencies: Maximum contingency allowed is 5% of the total budget.

Overhead: Maximum overhead allowed is 5% of the total budget.

Matching grants: A minimum of 25% matching grant through monetary or in-kind support is required to demonstrate institutional commitment to the IKS Center. Please indicate monetary and in-kind support for the matching grant requirement. Matching grant requirement can also be met through the in-kind support such as funding support for the office staff, infrastructural facilities for the establishment of IKS center such as dedicated office space for the Center, computers and other IT support, experimental facilities, and any other in-kind support.

Total budget = Budget request from the IKS Division+Matching Grant. This must not exceed Rs. 15 Lakhs for the two years.

Resume Format *(Do not exceed two pages for each investigator. The resumes are not included in the page limit)*

1. Name:

2. Correspondence Address:

3. Email:

4. Contact Numbers:

5. Institution:

6. Academic Qualification:

7. Work Experience (in chronological order)

8. Professional Recognition/Award/Prize/Certificate, Fellowship (if any):

9. Peer-Reviewed Publications:

10. Details of Patents (If any):

11. Books/Reports/Chapters/General Articles etc.:

12. Ongoing/completed Projects during the last 5 years:

13. Your competence to undertake this project (Maximum 500 words):

14. Any other information (Maximum 500 words):

Certificate from the Investigator
(not included in the page limit)

Project Title:

It is certified that

1. The same project proposal has not been submitted elsewhere for financial support.

2. I undertake that spare time on equipment procured in the project will be made available to other users.

3 I agree to submit ethical clearance certificate from the concerned ethical committee, if the project involves field trails/experiments/exchange of specimens, human & animal materials etc.

4. The research work proposed in the scheme/project does not in any way duplicate the work already done or being carried out elsewhere on the subject.

5. I agree to abide by the terms and conditions of IKS Division of MoE grant.

Signature of the PI

Name of the PI

Affiliation of the PI

Date:

Place:

Endorsement from the Head of the Institution
(not included in the page limit)

This is to certify that:

1.   Certified that the Institute welcomes participation of _____ as the Principal Investigator and _____ as the Co-Investigator for the project titled _____, and that in the unforeseen event of discontinuance by the Principal Investigator, the Principal Co-Investigator will assume the responsibility of the fruitful completion of the project with due information to IKS Division of MoE.

2. The date of project starts from the date on which the Institute receives the grant from Indian Knowledge Systems Division of MoE, New Delhi.

3. The investigator will be governed by the rules and regulations of Institute and will be under administrative control of the Institute for the duration of the project.

4. The grant-in-aid by the IKS Division of MoE, New Delhi will be used to meet the expenditure on the project and for the period for which the project has been sanctioned as mentioned in the sanction order.

5. No administrative or other liability will be attached to the IKS Division of MoE, New Delhi at the end of the project.

6. The Institute will provide basic infrastructure and other required facilities to the investigator for undertaking the research project.

7. The Institute will take into its books all assets created in the above project and its disposal would be at the discretion of the IKS Division of MoE, New Delhi.

8. The Institute assumes to undertake the financial and other management responsibilities of the project.

Signature of the Head of the Institution with seal

Date: