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Policy on Grant of Seed Money to Faculty Members for Research Projects

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1. This Policy shall be called “**Policy on Grant of Seed Money to Faculty Members for Research Projects**”.
2. This Policy shall come into force from the date of approval of the Board of Governors.
3. Each faculty member shall be entitled to seed grant for research purposes. It also includes those faculty members who join the services of the University and they too, immediately subsequent to joining, shall also be entitled to seed grant. The seed grant shall be provided to faculty members, as per details given below:

S. No.	Designation	Fund to be provided*
1	Assistant Professor	₹25,000/-
2	Associate Professor	₹50,000/-
3	Professor	₹1,00,000/-

***Note:** Quantum of seed money illustrated as above aims to provide initial funding for floating an idea and selection of research area and based on the outcome, the concerned faculty will be granted research funding for higher amount through intramural projects.

4. The purpose of the Seed Grant would be to facilitate the faculty members to undertake research in his/her domain expertise and/or Interdisciplinary research. It is also to provide an opportunity to the faculty to continue with the research work without break.
5. The faculty member, under this policy, shall be known as Principal Investigator (PI).
6. Under exceptional cases, the seed fund may be provided up to ₹ 2.00 lakh based on the competence of the faculty and research proposed.
7. The seed money shall be provided in single or multiple instalments, based on the recommendations made by the University Research Committee depending on the research project.
8. The expected outcome would be to build-up initial research base of the domain expertise of the faculty within the academic Unit that may lead to Intra/Extramural grant in future. It is also expected to result into good publication in a PubMed/Scopus Web of Science/ UGC Care indexed journal.
9. The faculty member shall prepare a research proposal including therein budget under various heads required for undertaking the research project.

10. The research proposal shall be submitted by faculty member to the Chairman of the Research Committee of the Constituent College/School to which the faculty member belongs. The Research Committee of the respective constituent college/school, after reviewing the research proposal, shall submit the proposal alongwith its recommendations to the University Research Committee.
11. Approval of the University Research Committee shall be intimated to the PI and shall be sent to finance department.
12. Seed grant may be utilized for publication in the indexed journals, printing, binding, meet travel expenses, field work, investigations related to patients, purchase of investigation kit, electrodes & related items etc.
13. The period of the seed money grant will be 6-12 months.
14. The review of the progress made under seed grant will be done by a Technical Committee duly constituted by the University.
15. Utilization Certificate will be submitted by the PI after completion of the project.
16. All expenses made out of seed grant shall be as per the rules of the University.
17. Due acknowledgement should be given to the University on any publication arising out of research projects.
18. The University shall have the Intellectual Property Rights for any scientific outcome arising out of research projects.
19. In case the faculty member, who has been provided the seed money, leaves the institution prior to completion of the research project, he/she shall be required to refund the entire seed money. Such a faculty member shall also be required to handover the research project to the University Research Committee.
20. The University reserves the right to interpret, alter, amend, modify, cancel or withdraw any provision mentioned herein above in this policy, without any notice.



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