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To

The Registrar,
Delhi University
Delhi-110007

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March, 2013

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Sub.: University Grants Commission Assistance to the selected department under Special Assistance Programme (SAP) - Review of the Programme in the **Department of Plant Molecular Biology, Delhi University, Delhi-110007** for continuation from DRS-II to DRS-III for a period of 5 years (1-4-2013 to 31-3-2018).

Sir,

1. The UGC Special Assistance Programme (SAP) is intended through constant effort to raise the quality of teaching/ research in different disciplines in Bio-Sciences, Sciences, Engineering & Technology, Humanities, Social Science departments and carefully selected on the basis of their work, academic achievements and viable potential for further development. The essence and primary aim of the scheme is combination of teaching and research to encourage group research efforts in pursuit of excellence.
2. The Department of **Plant Molecular Biology** was implementing the SAP programme at the level of **DRS-II (2007-2012)** approved for a duration of five years.
3. As per guidelines, the Commission constituted an Expert Committee to review the progress made by the above department which has completed its approved term of participation under the Special Assistance Programme (SAP). The Expert Committee reviewed the department on **17.9.2012 at UGC office.**
4. The Review Committee, after a very careful and critical in-depth examination of the academic achievements made by the department during the terms as well as discussing various aspects of implementation of the programme with the departmental representatives has submitted their recommendations to the Commission.
5. The UGC has approved the **Department for Continuation from DRS-II to DRS-III** programme for a further period of **Five years from 1.4.2013 to 31.3.2018.** The Financial year 2012-13 may be treated as Gap year.

6. On the basis of the recommendations of the Review Committee, I am directed to convey approval of the University Grants Commission to the continuation/Up-gradation of the programme at the level of **DRS-III** for a duration of **5 years** with the following thrust area(s) for research and teaching.

Thrust Area Identified

"Functional Genomics"

As recommended by the Review Committee, the Co-ordinator for the present phase of the Programme will be as indicated below:

Dr. Jitendra P. Khurana (**Coordinator**) & Dr. Anil Grover (**Dy. Coordinator**) for **DRS- III** programme under SAP.

The Co-ordinator may continue till the end of the present duration of the programme or till his/her superannuation.

7. The financial assistance approved for implementing the present phase at the level of **DRS-III** for a duration of **5 years (01/04/2013 to 31/03/2018)** is given below:

	(Rs. In Lakh)
Non-Recurring	Rs. 38.00
Recurring	<u>Rs. 37.00</u>
Total (NR + R) for 5 years	<u>Rs. 75.00</u>

Details of the item-wise grant approved above are given in the **Annexure-I**.

It may be noted that if the University is unable to implement the approved scheme within six months from the date of issue of this letter, the approval shall be treated as withdrawn.

8. The Commission will also provide additional grant(Subject to availability of funds) for the following purposes.
- Maintenance, modernization, upgradation, accessories spare etc. for equipments procured under the programme @ 5% of total equipment cost per annum from the date of expiry of warranty period till the end of the term. Thereafter, it has to be met by the University/Institute.
 - Expenditure incurred or any amount deducted from the sanctioned amount by the University for any other purposes other than the items approved for implementing the programme will not be acceptable to the Commission.

9. To avoid inbreeding in SAP supported departments regarding recruitment of teachers and intake of students, the Commission has decided that the appointment on the faculty position in the departments financially assisted under Special Assistance Programme of the University Grants Commission be made from among the applications who have obtained their last academic qualification (M.A./M.Sc./M.Phil/Ph.D) from the university other than the one for which the appointment is being made. It has also been decided that the preference be given to the students from other states on at least 20% of the prescribed number of seats for admission in Graduate and Post Graduate courses in the departments under Special Assistance Programme (SAP).
10. The Additional financial inputs for Summer Institute, Attachment of students, International Collaboration etc. may be extended by the Commission on receipt of specific proposal from the University/ Department and subject to availability of funds under the programme.
11. As stipulated in the revised guideline for SAP/COSIST Integrated Programme all sanctions under Special Assistance Programme (SAP) henceforth are subject to the conditions that departments under this programme would have to be given autonomy by the University / Institute for academic, financial and administrative matters relating to the Special Assistance Programme (SAP).
12. It is desired that the departments having SAP and COSIST or both Programme should immediately introduce the examination reform measure and funding for SAP and COSIST would be linked with the implementation of the minimum programme of examination reforms in these departments.
13. It may also be ensured that the physical facilities created under the Special Assistance Programme SAP/COSIST may be opened, to be used by the other faculty members of the departments and other users within the University and from other University /Agency.
14. The University is to maintain a separate bank account for the grants released under Special Assistance Programme. All interest earned by the university/department by investment of funds sanctioned and by the UGC under Special Assistance Programme will be treated as additional grant and may be spent only after prior approval of the UGC.
15. Other general terms and conditions of the above grant are in the SAP guidelines on the UGC website.

16. The University/ Institute may follow the norms for appointment of Programme Co-ordinator and Deputy Co-ordinator (no Joint Co-ordinator or Co-ordinator) and also constitute an Advisory Committee as per the guidelines of the Commission which can be downloaded from UGC website www.ugc.ac.in and follow the terms of reference of the Advisory Committee to ensure effective implementation and monitoring of the Programme. The constitution of the Advisory Committee is compulsory for all departments which are being supported under SAP. The UGC nominees in the Committee will be as indicated below. The department may contact the UGC nominees for their acceptance and intimate the Commission.

1. Prof. L.C.Rai, CAS in Botany, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

2. Prof. K. Ulaganathan, Dept. of Genetics, Osmania University, Hyderabad.

The active participation of the UGC nominees in each meeting of the Advisory Committee is essential. The composition and terms & reference of the Advisory Committee will be as given in the UGC website www.ugc.ac.in.

17. For optimizing the effective and usefulness of the programme the Commission will send an expert committee or organize group monitoring/ review after two years of support given to the department for mid-term evaluation of the progress of work done by the department. The department will send accordingly a consolidated progress report in the prescribed form.

18. The University/Institute/Department is requested to take immediate steps to submit the following information/documents for necessary action:

- i) Acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grants duly signed by the Registrar of the University/Institute.
- ii) Name of the competent University Officer with full address in favour of the Demand Draft is to be sent by the UGC.
- iii) Bank and Account number with address.
- iv) Detailed statement of year-wise actual expenditure incurred against the grants allocated, sanctioned during the last phase may be submitted in the PROFORMA in the Annexure-V, of SAP Guidelines duly audited and certified by the Competent authority, in order to finalise the accounts of the earlier phase.
- v) Name of the Department Co-ordinator and Dy. Co-ordinator indicating (i) present designation (ii) specialised areas(s) of research and (iii) date of superannuation.

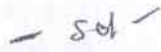
- vi) List of members of the Advisory Committee constituted by the university/ institute as per guidelines.
 - vii) Year-wise academic programme and action proposed to be undertaken by the department during the period of 5 years to implement the programme.
 - viii) An undertaking from the University/institute to take over the recurring liabilities of the items including staff approved under the programme other than Project Fellow i.e JRFs/RAs after a period of 5 years of the programme.
 - ix) Action taken on the academic recommendations made by the Expert/Review Committee may be intimated in due course.
 - x) The annual report of the work done during the year (as per effective date of the programme) should be submitted by the Programme Co-ordinator highlighting the academic achievements in research and teaching and indicating separately the progress in procuring of equipment/construction of building (only addition, alteration and renovation, if sanctioned under the programme) and the list of papers published in referred journal during the year positively reported by the end of every year.
 - xi) The steps taken by the university/ institute to implement the decision of the Commission as indicated at Para-10 and 11.
19. The University/Institute shall take all possible measures to ensure effective implementation of policies of Government of India relating to SC/ST students and teachers in regard to the UGC programme. In case of non-teaching staff, the policies of the Central Government in respect of Central Universities and of the State Government in respect of State Universities shall be implemented
20. The first installment of admissible grant will be released separately. In the meantime, the University may submit the following information requested for at **para 18 (i, ii, iii, iv, v & vi)** by return of post. The programme will be effective from **1.4.2013 to 31.3.2018**.
21. No request for any change in the effective date will be considered.
22. It may be noted that if orders for purchase of equipment are not placed within six months from the date of receipt of the grant by the university, the approval shall be treated as withdrawn.

23. The second and subsequent installment of grant for any approved items will be considered and sanctioned only on receipt of the Utilization Certificate for the earlier installment in the prescribed form duly signed by the Registrar/Finance Officer as the case may be.

24. The University/Institution shall include a specific condition in the Utilization Certificate, in respect of any financial assistance or grants-in-aid to any institution under any of the general or special schemes of the Commission that the University/institution has complied with the anti-ragging measures.

"The University/ Institution/College is strictly following the UGC Regulations on curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009".

Yours faithfully,


(Dev Swarup)
Joint Secretary


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NOTE:- Please see SAP guidelines on UGC [website ugc.ac.in](http://ugc.ac.in).

Copy forwarded alongwith the copies of Annexure-I for information and necessary action to:-

Dr. Jitendra P. Khurana
Co-ordinator (DRS Programme),
Department of Plant Molecular Biology
Delhi University
Delhi-110007

2013/18
Copy for information to:-

1. The P.S. to Vice Chancellor, Delhi University, Delhi-110007.
2. The Head Department of Plant Molecular Biology, Delhi University, Delhi-110007.
3. The Secretary to the State Government of Delhi, Department of Education, Delhi.
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(Uma Bali)
Under Secretary


Annexure - I

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

Financial assistance approved for implementation of the Special Assistance Programme in the Department of Plant Molecular Biology, Delhi University, Delhi-110007 at the level of DRS-III for duration of five years from (1.4.2013 to 31.3.2018).

S. No.	Items	Amount approved Rs. (IN LAKH)
	<u>Non Recurring</u>	
1.	Equipment	38.00
	Total	38.00
	<u>Recurring</u>	(Rs. In Lakh)
1.	Contingency /working expenses @ Rs.2,00,000/- p.a.	10.00
2.	Chemicals/Consumables/Glasswares @ Rs.2,00,000/- p.a.	10.00
3.	Seminar (for organization) on thrust Area @ Rs.80,000/- p.a.	04.00
4.	Hiring the Service of Technical/Industrial/ Secretarial assistance as relevant to the Programme (for programme duration only) @Rs.1,00,000/- p.a.	05.00
5.	Advisory Committee meeting (TA/DA for UGC Nominees in the committee @ Rs.60,000/- p.a.	03.00
6.	Books & Journals @ Rs.1,00,000/-p.a.	05.00
	Total	37.00

Total (NR + R) = Rs. 38.00 +Rs. 37.00 = Rs. 75.00 lakh


(Uma Bali)
Under Secretary

Research Council

Prof. Malashri Lal, Chairperson
 Prof. Ajay Kumar, Member, Dean Research (PS&MS)
 Prof. Girishwar Misra, Member, Dean Research (H&SS)
 Prof. M. M. Chaturvedi, Member, Dean Research (LS)
 Dr. Deepika Bhaskar, Dy. Dean Research



RC/2016/944

30.05.2016

The Head
 Department of Plant Molecular Biology
 University of Delhi South Campus
 Benito Juarez Road
 New Delhi 110021

Subject: Release of second instalment of DST PURSE Phase-II grant

Dear Sir,

We are pleased to announce the release of second instalment of DST PURSE Phase-II under heads 'Grants-in-aid General' [that includes Consumables, Manpower, Contingencies, Travel (domestic/International), Conferences/Workshops & Maintenance] and 'Grant for creation of Capital Assets' [for remaining equipment 'Hardware Cost'].

The details of the amount released to your department are as follows:

Budget Head	Amount (in lakhs, Rs)
1. Total amount released under head 'Grants-in-aid General' which includes	40.25
a) Consumables	34.25
b) Manpower	4.0
c) Contingency, Travel (domestic/International), Conferences/Workshops & Maintenance	2.0
2. Amount released under 'Grant for creation of Capital Assets' (Equipment)	9.5
Suggested Equipment (as per approved list)- Gradient Thermal Cycler, Chemiluminescence Scanner	

Please note the following:

- Any unspent balance amount from the previous instalment (1st instalment) can be utilized along with the current allocation (2nd instalment) in case of head 'Grants-in-aid General'.
- Any unspent balance amount from the previous instalment in case of head 'Grant for creation of Capital Assets' (Equipment) will be deducted from the next instalment to be given to that department.
- Departments with special requests having granted additional amounts under different heads in first instalment may kindly ensure that the utilization is according to terms and conditions of DST PURSE Phase-II.
- The released funds may kindly be utilized by **30 September 2016** except manpower that may be continued. Kindly utilize the funds as per the breakup mentioned above which is in accordance with the DST guidelines for expenditure.

Thanking in anticipation
 Yours sincerely,

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DST PURSE Phase-II(4)

Jitendra Khurana

Anil Grover, Paramjit Khurana, Me, Madan Mohan, Arun Sharma, and 5 more...

Dear Colleagues:

Please see the email received from Prof. Umesh Rai allocating Rs 2.0 crores for DPMB under the PURSE grant sanctioned by the DST. We need to give our requirements for equipment by June 10, 2014. Please think about it and we can discuss it when we meet on June 7, 2014 for the examination related meeting.

Regards

Jiten

----- Forwarded message -----
From: Research Council <researchcouncildu@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Jun 3, 2014 at 6:55 PM
Subject: DST PURSE Phase-II
To: Jitendra Khurana <khurana@genomeindia.org>

June 03, 2014

The Head
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Subj: DST PURSE Phase-II

Dear Sir,

The Department of Science and Technology (DST) has awarded Rs 40.8 crore under its PURSE scheme to the University of Delhi during the Phase-II. The total amount allocated to your Department is Rupees two (2.0) crore only.

The total amount allocated has to be distributed in two broad components to be utilized in the period of next four years starting 2014. The following are categorized under Flexible and Fixed components:
a. Flexible Cost (85% of total cost) which includes hardware Cost (Equipment, Research Facilities, Networking & computational Facilities) and consumables.
b. Fixed Cost (15% of total cost) includes manpower Cost (10%), domestic travel (1%) and contingencies, maintenance, Organizing or Attending Conferences/ Workshops (including International) (4%)

The Departments will use 13% of the fixed cost and contribute 2% in the central pool which will be used according to need on recommendation of the Committee constituted by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for this purpose.

As an immediate requirement to be submitted to DST, we urgently require the list of major equipment to be purchased, if any, by your Department with estimated expenditure for the duration of the grant under the flexible cost. The major equipment purchased under the PURSE scheme will become part of the Central Instrumentation Facility of the Department.

Kindly send the list in consultation with other faculty members of the Department to the Research Council latest by June 10, 2014.

Yours sincerely

Prof. Umesh Rai
Convener, PURSE Implementation Group

Research Council, Viceregal Lodge
Vice Chancellor's Office
University of Delhi, Delhi-110007



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Dr. Deepika Bhaskar, Dy. Dean Research

RC/2014/7114

November 03, 2014

The Head of the Department
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Subject: First instalment of DST-PURSE Phase-II

Dear Sir,

This is to inform you that a part of the first instalment of DST-PURSE Phase-II has been released by DST under the PURSE scheme to the University. According to the letter received from DST, the entire PURSE grant has been distributed in five instalments. The break up of the total cost is as Capital Assets (non-recurring head) for four years and Grants-in-aid General (recurring head) for five years.

Your Department has already been informed of the total amount allocated from the DST-PURSE Phase-II, as approved by the Vice Chancellor. In accordance with the same, the distribution and equipment requirement were received by our office from your side.

From the available funds in the first instalment, considering the requirement submitted by your Department, it has been sanctioned a total amount of **Rupees Forty seven lakhs ten thousand only (Rs 47.10 lakhs)** out of the first instalment. Out of this, **Rupees fourteen lakhs fifty thousand only (Rs 14.5 lakhs)** has been allocated under the non-recurring head (Capital Asset) for equipment purchase and **Rupees thirty two lakhs sixty thousand only (Rs 32.60 lakhs)** has been allocated under the recurring head (Grants-in-aid General) for all the other requirements including consumables, manpower, domestic travel, contingency etc. The equipment sanctioned/suggested for purchase from the first instalment, based on your requirement, is **Gradient thermal cyler and Protein gel electrophoresis system.**

It is reiterated that the entire amount sanctioned to your Department falls in two subheads- Flexible component (85% of total which includes equipment and consumables) and Fixed component (15% of total out of which 10% is manpower, 1% is domestic travel and 4% is contingencies/maintenance/conferences/workshops).