

PROPOSAL INVITED FOR NEW IDEA FUND
A scheme of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research

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The Council of Scientific & Industrial Research has an ongoing scheme 'New Idea Fund' through which support is given to test and validate novel and highly creative ideas, even if they have a high probability of failure. Till now the scheme was open only to CSIR scientists for support. The experiment proved rewarding. Based on its initial experience, the scope of the scheme has now been widened to incorporate joint proposals between CSIR laboratories on one hand and scientific institutions or universities on the other.

The Scheme

CSIR invites joint proposals from CSIR laboratories in association with scientific institutions/universities under the 'New Idea Fund' – for support from CSIR. The joint proposals can be submitted for pursuing high risk, high innovation based proposals based on untried new idea.

The proposals of exploratory nature will be supported under the scheme for proving the feasibility of possibly far-reaching concepts.

Who can apply

Under the expanded scope, scientists from Indian R&D institutions and faculty members from universities can write proposals in partnership with a CSIR laboratory. Such joint proposals shall be forwarded through the collaborating CSIR laboratory.

How to apply

Five copies of the research proposal in the prescribed format should be submitted to DG, CSIR. The proposal can be submitted twice in a year in the months of September or March of every year. The proposal format can be obtained from Head, RDPD, Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR), New Delhi.

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AWARD ANNOUNCEMENT

Drs Anant and Lata Charitable Trust, Nagpur and Labhsetwar Foundation USA invite nominations for Population Control and Family Award given annually to an individual who has done outstanding contributions in this field. The award consists of Rs 100,000 in cash, a memento and a certificate.

The purpose of the award is to encourage and recognize work of those who, in the opinion of the selection committee, will contribute towards the solution of India's population crisis. We recognize that work in various fields such as physiology, immunology, pharmacology, clinical and social work as well as demography is important in contributing towards solution of the problem.

Nominee should ordinarily be under 55 years of age, engaged in his/her work and must have done distinguished work. Nomination may be made on a plain paper and should include discussion about how nominee's work will lead to solution of the population problem.

Previous recipients of this award are Dr S. K. Guha, currently of IIT, Kharagpur, Dr Rustom Phiroz Soonawala, and Dr C. P. Puri, Director, National Institute for Research in Reproductive Health, Mumbai.

Last date for receiving nominations is 25 November 2004. The award function will be held in January 2005 in Mumbai. For further information, please contact either Dr A. P. Labhsetwar (e-mail: latalabh@aol.com) or Dr C. P. Puri (e-mail: dirirr@vsnl.com).