Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology

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Initial Research Grant

Introduction

The Research Initiation Fund is designed to attract faculty to TIET to perform quality research. This policy together with the Cumulative Professional Development Allowance aims to provide a substantial package to begin a scholarly research program at TIET.

Objectives

- 1. Enable the beginning of research and related activities for a newly recruited faculty who has significant potential to attract external funding.
- 2. To attract high quality faculty.

Awards

Grants shall be awarded after joining TIET subject to the successful defence of the research proposal. The amount should be spent within 24 months of appointment. A maximum amount of Rs. 8 lacs can be awarded as is currently approved by the BOG.

Eligibility

- 1. Any new faculty of TIET appointed as an Assistant Professor (On Regular Rolls) or above.
- 2. The faculty should commit to do research and to seek external funding for R & D projects.
- 3. Existing regular faculty on completion of PhD will be eligible for this grant.

Application Process

Faculty members should apply for the Research Initiation Grant after the release of a notification from the office of DoRSP.

Evaluation Process

- 1. The research proposal will be reviewed by an 'Expert Committee' approved by the Director.
- 2. Research plan should describe research that is sustainable & has potential to attract external funding.
- 3. Itemized budget should be consistent with the research plan.
- 4. The Expert Committee will submit recommendations to the DoRSP who will further recommend to the Director for final approval.

Guidelines for Expenditure

As per the approved proposal.

Conditions

All expenses should be processed in accordance with TIET policies and procedures.

Expected Outcomes

TIET expect that faculty who avail initial research grant will seek external funds to support their research program within two years of the commencement of the grant, and this is expected to enhance their teaching/research performance. The report of the faculty on the use and outcome/deliverables of the grant will be part of the faculty project appraisal.

Signature

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