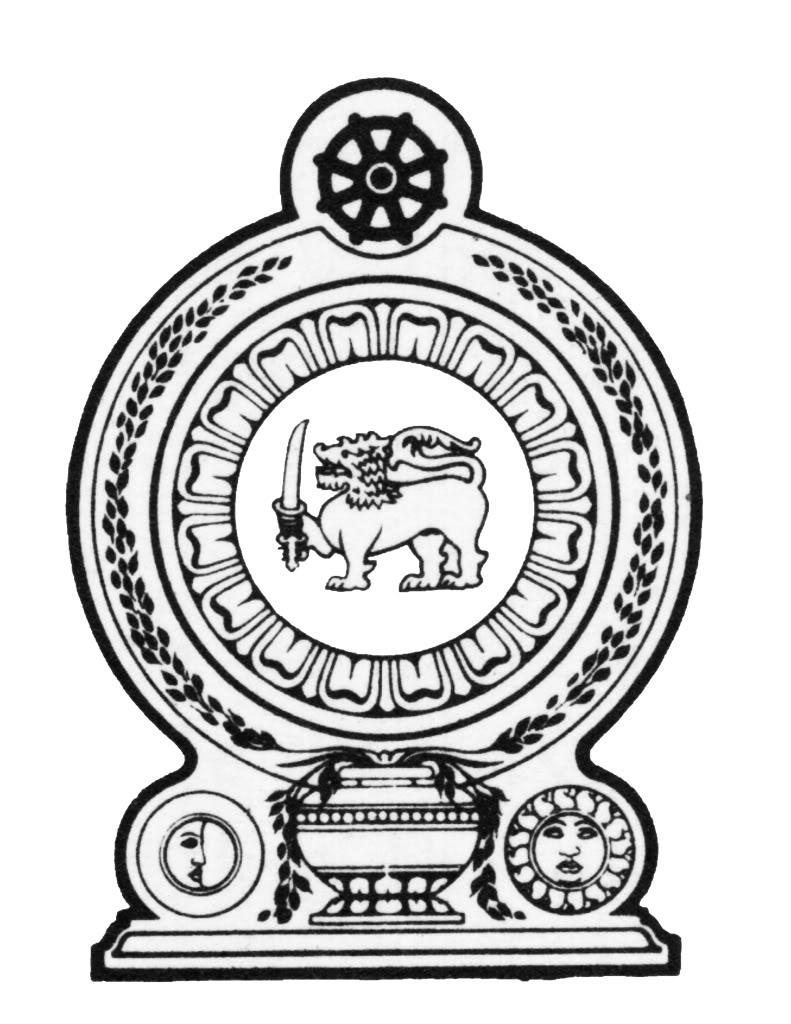
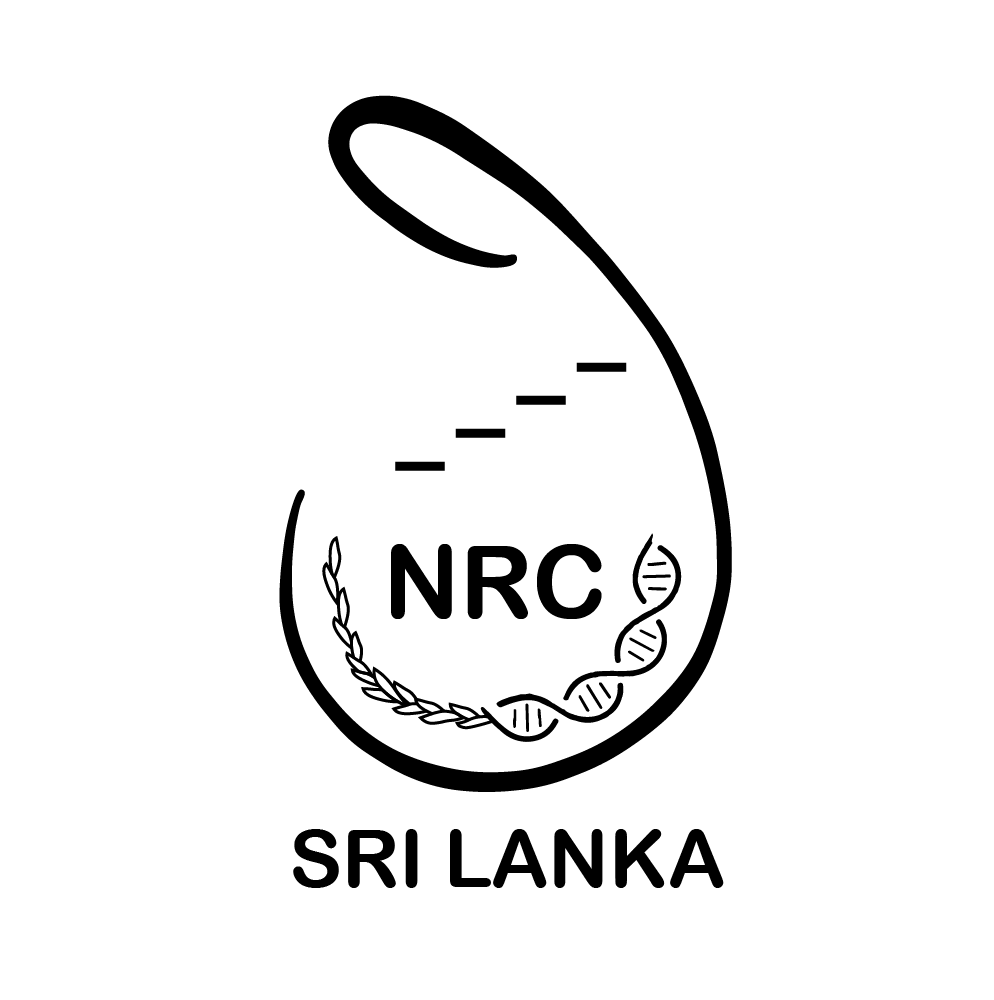
**NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL**

**INVESTIGATOR DRIVEN RESEARCH GRANTS**

**Call for applications - Year 2025**

The National Research Council (NRC) is a research funding agency established as a statutory body under the then Ministry of Science, Technology and Research by the Act No.11 of 2016 of the Parliament of Sri Lanka, and currently under the purview of the Ministry of Science and Technology. It annually calls for research proposals, evaluates them and decides an appropriate allocation of funds to Principal Investigators (PI) of the projects. Priority will be given to applications addressing the national interests and having direct importance on the national economy. The role of NRC is to evaluate the feasibility of the work leading to original publishable or patentable findings. The Council will determine the specific utilization of Government funds for innovative, investigator-oriented and peer-evaluated research projects of potential significance to national development.

**1. Eligibility Criteria**

All Sri Lankan citizens who have completed at least an MPhil degree (full time / part time) from a recognized university or public Research and Development (R&D) institution are eligible to apply. Public scientific R & D organization refers to organizations that receive funds for research, or at least provision for it, from the Treasury through the line Ministries, voted in the annual budget by Parliament. [A list of institutions is provided in the application]. Grant applicants, hereinafter called Principal Investigator (PI) on prescribed forms available at the Council. Grants are awarded for a period between one to three years only. The PI is the person who undertakes the execution of the research project throughout its approved duration.

**2. Funding Categories**

1. Funding will be considered for:

* **Minor equipment**: Items with single unit values less than Rs. 500,000/-
* **Consumables** & Breakables
* **Travel** within Sri Lanka
* **Publication** cost up to Rs. 250,000/-
* Monthly **Allowances** for Project Research Assistants (PRA), Technical Assistants (TA) or Laborers.

1. Allowances will be paid only for those who are not earning salary/do not have an institutional affiliation.
2. Funds will not be available for salaries/emoluments of scientists.

**3. Equipment**

The research grant will provide sufficient funds to purchase essential equipment so that it will contribute significantly to institutional infrastructure development, while utilizing the maximum equipment already available in the collaborating departments / institutions. Inventoried equipment will remain the property of the Council. Upon termination of a project the Council retains the right to transfer it to another project financed by the Council if no prospective immediate use is apparent (as judged by the Council) in the institution where it served the project.

**4. Project Research Assistantship**

Under normal circumstances, the PI may request one Project Research Assistant (PRA) per grant. When a PRA is involved in the grant, the PI is solely responsible for the PRA’s activities. PRA following an MPhil will be paid only up to a maximum of 24 months, while a PRA following a PhD will be paid only up to a maximum of 36 months. The PI will undertake to execute the project funded by the NRC for the duration of the grant in the institution to which the PI is affiliated and where the work will be mainly carried out. The responsibility of successfully implementing the grant is solely with the PI, for which the PI is answerable to the Council.

**5. Declaration from the Institution**

Consequently, the grant application should be accompanied by a signed declaration of the Head of the Institution ensuring sustained infrastructural support of the Institution to the PI and the research project for the duration of the grant. Authorized signatories for each institution (as Head of the Institution) are listed in the ‘List of eligible institutions’ below.

**6. Publications**

The name of the affiliated institution of the PI should be figured in all publications as the address where the work was primarily carried out. NRC grant number and its financial support should be acknowledged in all publications. Any Intellectual Property Rights arising from NRC-funded grants should be shared with the NRC. Reprints of publications issued from the work should be filed with the NRC.

**7. Application Format**

The applications should be printed on both sides with Font ‘Times New Roman’ and Font size 12. Late and incomplete applications (either hard or soft copy) will not be processed. One properly bound, duly perfected **hardcopy** (original) should be sent by **registered post**, addressed to the Chairperson of the NRC at 120/7, Vidya Mawatha, Colombo 07 on or before 14th July 2025 **and** an **exact scanned copy** **(soft copy)** of the original should reach the NRC via email; **apply@nrc.gov.lk** on or before 4.00 p.m., 14th July 2025.

**8. List of eligible institutions (not an exhaustive list)**

**PUBLIC SCIENTIFIC R & D ORGANIZATIONS/ INSTITUTES**

8.1 - RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS Authorized Signatory

Arthur C. Clarke Institute for Modern Technology Director General

Bandaranaike Memorial Ayurveda Research Institution Director

Coconut Research Institute Director

Gem and Jewellery Research and Training Institute Director

Hector Kobbekaduwa Agrarian Research & Training Institute Director

Industrial Technology Institute Director General

Intercropping and Betel Research Station Director General

Medical Research Institute Director

National Aquatic Resources Research and Development Agency Director General

National Building Research Organization Director General

National Cinnamon Research and Training Center Director General

National Engineering Research & Development Centre Director General

National Institute of Fundamental Studies Director

National Institute of Plantation Management Director

National Institute of Postharvest Management Director

Palmyrah Research Institute Director

Research Institutes of the Department of Agriculture Director

Rubber Research Institute Director

Sri Lanka Institute of Nanotechnology Director

Sugarcane Research Institute Director

Tea Research Institute Director

Veterinary Research Institute Director

8.2 - UNIVERSITIES Authorized Signatory

University of Colombo Vice-Chancellor

University of Jaffna Vice-Chancellor

University of Kelaniya Vice-Chancellor

University of Moratuwa Vice-Chancellor

University of Peradeniya Vice-Chancellor

University of Sri Jayewardenepura Vice-Chancellor

University of Ruhuna Vice-Chancellor

University of Vavuniya Vice-Chancellor

Eastern University of Sri Lanka Vice-Chancellor

General Sir John Kotelawala Defense University Vice-Chancellor

Open University of Sri Lanka Vice-Chancellor

Ocean University of Sri Lanka Vice-Chancellor

Rajarata University of Sri Lanka Vice-Chancellor

Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka Vice-Chancellor

South Eastern University of Sri Lanka Vice-Chancellor

University of Vocational Technology Vice-Chancellor

Uva Wellassa University of Sri Lanka Vice-Chancellor

Wayamba University of Sri Lanka Vice-Chancellor

Institute of Biochemistry, Molecular Biology & Biotechnology Director

Postgraduate Institute of Medicine - University of Colombo Director

Postgraduate Institute of Agriculture - University of Peradeniya Director

Postgraduate Institute of Science - University of Peradeniya Director

8.3 - OTHER GOVERNMENT/SEMI-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS Authorized Signatory

All Public Health Units under the Ministry of Health Director

Atomic Energy Authority Director

Cement Corporation Director

Central Cultural Fund Director

Central Environmental Authority Director General

Clothing Industry Training Institute Director

Defence Research and Development Centre Director

Dental Therapists Training Institute Director

Department of Agriculture (and affiliated Institutes) Director General

Department of Archaeology Director

Department of Animal Production & Health Director

Department of Coast Conservation and Coastal Resource Management Director

Department of Export Agriculture Director

Department of Meteorology, Research, Training and Development Division Director

Department of National Botanic Gardens (Floriculture R&D Unit) Director

Department of National Museums Director

Department of Wildlife Conservation Director General

Department of Forest Conservation Director General

Family Planning Association Director

Government Hospitals Director

Geological Survey & Mines Bureau Director

Government Analyst’s Department Govt. Analyst

Irrigation Department of Sri Lanka Director General

National Cancer Institute Director

National Dangerous Drugs Control Board Executive Director

National Resource Management Centre Director

National Zoological Department Director

Regional Health Services Director General

Sri Lanka Institute of Textile & Apparel Director General

Sri Lanka Standards Institute Director General

State Timber Corporation Chairman

State Plantation Corporation Chairman

*The above list is by no means exhaustive. Prospective applicants may therefore write to the secretariat of the NRC to ascertain the eligibility of any particular institution not figuring in this list.*

**9. Guidelines to Fill the Application**

| **SECTION - A** | |
| --- | --- |
| A.1. | Tick only one research area that is most suitable for the proposed research |
| A.6. | Ethical clearance should be obtained prior to the awarding of the grant. Tick where applicable. |
| A.7. | Tick where applicable. |
| A.10. | The Council currently defines “success” as a publication in a reputed indexed journal.  Publication cost will be paid only for SCI Expanded publications with IF ≥ 1.0 and SCOPUS publications with SJR ≥ 0.5. |
| A.13. | Provide a concise statement of the significance of the proposed work, the hypothesis and major objectives of the project, the procedures to be followed to accomplish the objectives, and the potential impact of the work. |
| **SECTION - B** | |
| B.1. & B.2. | Give the current status of knowledge in the proposed field and a description of the research question based on an overview at the national and international level backed by key bibliographical references and patent search results as well. |
| B.3. | What position does the research proposal as a whole have in the current framework of research?  Maximum two pages. |
| B.4. & B.5. | Formulation of the goals expected to be achieved and the research question to be addressed along with the objectives (Please limit the number of objectives to Five or less). |
| B.7. | With respect to B.1. Above, can the submitted research be expected to break new ground in science?  Or can it be expected to produce a substantial step forward in this field in the foreseeable future?  What innovative approaches does the proposal offer?  What, in your frank opinion, is the likelihood of a successful outcome of this research being published and cited in international scientific literature?  What are the possible benefits if any applications could be derived from the findings of this research? One to two pages |
| B.8. | Provide a detailed description of the experiment methodology / design, sampling method, analytical methods, any other techniques and data analysis. |
| B.9. | Give a chronology of all projected operations with time estimation in months.  **Please present all your planned activities in the form of a Gantt chart (Annexure I) attached to the application.** |
| **SECTION - C** | |
| C.1. | List the **minor equipment** that needs to be purchased to conduct the research.  **Consumables** will be chemicals, glassware and disposable laboratory items directly related to the proposed research. List of all items and quantities required should be mentioned in the first table of this section. Where relevant, any expenses for public awareness programme/s should be budgeted under this vote and should not exceed LKR 100,000/-.  **Travel plan** for the research programme should be included with estimated cost. Travel expenses; hiring of vehicles or fuel for official vehicle will be covered but **no subsistence/OT/BATA.**  **Publication cost** up to a maximum of Rs. 250,000/- will be considered. Publication cost will be paid only for SCI Expanded publications with IF ≥ 1.0 and SCOPUS publications with SJR ≥ 0.5, upon proofs of acceptance by the particular journal.  **Should include taxes and extras for all items to be procured.**  **Allowances:** Calculate accordingly for payments:  Monthly allowance for Project Research Assistantship (PRA):  Postdoctoral fellow (for a period of 2 years maximum) Rs.120,000.00  Bachelor degree with a class + M.Phil. Rs. 90,000.00  Bachelor degree with a class + M.Sc. Rs. 80,000.00  Bachelor degree with a first or second upper Rs. 70,000.00  With a Bachelor degree Rs. 60,000.00  **Allowance will be paid only to a Post doctoral fellow or a Research Assistant working for a MPhil /PhD and producing a thesis under this grant. If not, Technical Assistant rates will be applied.**  Payments for Technical Assistants (TA) and Laborers  ● TA with a Bachelor’s Degree Rs. 2000/- per day  ● TA passed GCE O/L or higher Rs. 1750/- per day  ● Laborer Rs. 1500/- per day  To a maximum of 21 days per calendar month. |
| C.2. | A list of major equipment in your institution will signal to the Council the degree to which your institution will be able to support your research project. |
| **SECTION - D** | |
| D.1.13. | The principal Investigator should hold a permanent post; if in a contractual position, the contract period should cover the duration of the research project. All applicants should also state here the percentage of their working time that they intend devoting to the project. |
| D.1.22. | If the Principal Investigator is overseas for a long period of time (6 months or more) the grant will not be awarded. |
| D.5. | Address of the Institute/Department/Laboratory where the work will be carried out, as it will figure in publications and in all correspondence. Telephone, Fax & e-mail. |
| D.7. | The Council normally expects the findings obtained in the course of research to be published in refereed international journals of repute (e.g. covered by the Science Citation Expanded Index). Exceptions to this may be envisaged if patentable results are produced. The Principal Investigator should point out such likelihood at this juncture.  The Council will consider whether patents will be taken out and held by the Council, however the NRC will claim 25% the royalty fee of 3% arising from the total sales proceeds from the commercialization of Intellectual Property Right created using the methods developed by the Principal Investigator on a quarterly basis for a period of 5 years and the balance will be credited to the Principal Investigator and his/her Institution.  If the Principal Investigator does not intend to obtain any Intellectual Property Right, the NRC will be entitled to a 1% of the total sales proceeds of the final product, process or service for a period of five years from the date of commercialization.  If outside researchers are expected to have a claim to intellectual property rights afferent to the present project, notably due to a relation discernible in B.1(in the application), that should also be placed before the Council at this juncture or other benefits arising out of the patent. This condition will apply irrespective of the research being supported by another agency, local or foreign.  Please refer to the NRC Intellectual Property Rights Policy uploaded on the NRC website; www.nrc.gov.lk |

**\* Please note grants will be awarded depending on the availability of funds. The NRC decision pertaining to awarding will be the final.**



**NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL**

## INVESTIGATOR DRIVEN GRANT APPLICATION – YEAR 2025

***Note: This application contains four sections; A, B, C and D. All applicants should duly fill section A to D.***

***One supplementary form should be filled for each co-investigator (if any).***

| **SECTION – A: PROPOSAL SUMMARY** | | | | | |
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| A.1. Research Area  *(Please select one area and mark with “X”)* | 1. Medical Sciences | | | |  |
| 2. Agriculture | | | |  |
| 3. Physical / Engineering Sciences and Technologies | | | |  |
| 4. Chemical Sciences | | | |  |
| 5. Environmental Sciences | | | |  |
| 6. Others | | | |  |
| A.2. Title of the Research Project: | |  | | | |
| A.3. Abbreviated (running) Title: | |  | | | |
| A.4. Keywords: | |  | | | |
| A.5. Project Duration (in months): | |  | | | |
| A.6. Ethical Clearance: | | Received | | |  |
| Not applicable | | |  |
| A.7. Grant Type: | | Research project with a Project Research Assistant | | |  |
| Research project only | | |  |
| **A.8. Summary of the Budget Estimate (all figures in Sri Lanka Rupees):** | | | | | |
| Vote | | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | |
| A.8.1. Minor Equipment | |  |  |  | |
| A.8.2. Consumables | |  |  |  | |
| A.8.3. Staff Allowances | |  |  |  | |
| A.8.4. Local Travel | |  |  |  | |
| A.8.5. Outsourcing Services | |  |  |  | |
| A.8.6. Publication Cost | |  |  |  | |
| A.8.7. ANNUAL TOTAL | |  |  |  | |
| **A.8.8. TOTAL** | |  | | | |
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| A.9. State briefly the justification for the problem identification and how the expected output (new product/ process/ services/ value addition/ solution to a technical problem/technology) will directly contribute to the economy. | | | | | |
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| A.10. List the peer reviewed indexed journals you envisage publishing this work in?  *Refer guidelines* | | | | | |
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| A.11. What Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) below, aligns best with this project?  **Goal 2.** Zero Hunger **Goal 3.** Good Health and Well-being  **Goal 9.** Industry, Innovation & Infrastructure **Goal 12.** Responsible Consumption and Production  **Goal 14.** Life below Water  *Before answering, please refer the following link:* [*http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/sustainable-development-goals.html*](http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/sustainable-development-goals.html) | | | | | |
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| A.12. What is the target area of National Research & Development framework (NRDF) this project is most likely to align with?  *Before answering, please refer the following link:*  [*https://www.nastec.gov.lk/reports/nrdf*](https://www.nastec.gov.lk/reports/nrdf) | | | | | |
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| A.13. Scientific summary  *Refer guidelines* | | | | | |
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| **SECTION - B: SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION** | | | | |
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| B.1. Present state of knowledge of the field of the proposed research: *Refer guidelines* | | | | |
| B.1.1. Local / regional level | | | | |
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| B.1.2. Global level | | | | |
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| B.2. List of publications quoted in section B.1*.: Refer guidelines* | | | | |
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| B.3. Define the problem(s) that your research seeks to address: *Refer guidelines* | | | | |
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| B.4. Objective(s) of the proposed research: *Refer guidelines* | | | | |
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| B.5. State your scientific hypothesis /research question: *Refer guidelines* | | | | |
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| B.6. Describe your experience and outputs in relation to the proposed research: | | | | |
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| B.7. Significance of the proposed research: *Refer guidelines* | | | | |
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| B.8. Detailed Description of the proposed research - *Refer guidelines* | | | | |
| B.8.1. Research Design | | | | |
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| B.8.2. Methodologies | | | | |
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| B.8.3. Data analysis including statistical and analytical methods | | | | |
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| B.8.4. If your project involves statistical analysis, | | | | |
| (a) Are you competent in this area? (mention Yes / No); | | |  | |
| if No;  (b) Have you contacted an expert? (Name, Organization of the expert) | |  | | |
| B.8.5. Is there any work to be outsourced to commercial entities? *Yes/No*  If yes, provide details below. | | | | |
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| B.9. Work plan of the proposed research: *Compulsory. Please attach in the form of a Gantt Chart* ***(Annex 1)*** | | | | |
| B.10. State the expected outputs of the project: *Tick where applicable* | | | | |
| 1. Publications in indexed journals |  | 5. New policy / recommendations / circulars | |  |
| 2. Patents |  | 6. Physical/Reference collections | |  |
| 3. Value added products/database/software |  | 7. Book/ chapters/ technical reports | |  |
| 4. Physical/Reference collections |  | 8. Training a Postgraduate Student | |  |
| B.11. Implementation plan of the expected outputs *(Mention below comprehensively)* | | | | |
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| B.12. What are Expected outcomes? *(Mention below in point form)* | | | | |
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| B.13. Who are the specific stakeholders and immediate beneficiaries of the project’s outcomes? | | | | |
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| B.14. How your research will contribute to National development and who will be the partner to take the project’s findings forward? | | | | |
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| B.15. Why government funds should be invested in this research? Please justify with a cost benefit analysis. | | | | |
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| **SECTION – C: FINANCIAL INFORMATION** | | | | |
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| C.1. Funds requested under the following sections for the duration of the project:  *Refer guidelines. All items and quantities should be provided by adding lines to the table.* | | | | |
| Vote | Item & Quantity | Expected Expenditure (LKR) | | |
| Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 |
| Minor Equipment  *(Attach a separate Equipment form for each minor equipment)* | (a) |  |  |  |
|  | (b) |  |  |  |
|  | (c) |  |  |  |
| Consumables  *(to be defined by generic categories)* | (a) |  |  |  |
|  | (b) |  |  |  |
|  | (c) |  |  |  |
| Staff Allowances  *(Refer guidelines & calculate accordingly)* | (a) |  |  |  |
|  | (b) |  |  |  |
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| Local Travel  *(A detailed travel plan should be attached)* | (a) |  |  |  |
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| Outsourcing services | (a) |  |  |  |
|  | (b) |  |  |  |
|  | (c) |  |  |  |
| Publication Cost  *(Publication cost will be reimbursed only for SCI Expanded publications with IF ≥ 1.0 and SCOPUS publications with SJR ≥ 0.5).* |  |  |  |  |
| ANNUAL SUBTOTAL (LKR) | |  |  |  |
| TOTAL (LKR) | |  | | |
| C.2. Mention below a list of major equipment available in your Institute/Department: *Refer guidelines* | | | | |
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| **SECTION – D: ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION** | | | | | | |
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| **D.1. Principal Investigator:** | | | | | | |
| D.1.1. Full Name: *Underline surname.* | | |  | | | |
| D.1.2 Title (Prof. /Dr. /Mr. /Mrs. /Miss) | | |  | | | |
| D.1.3. Gender (M / F) | | |  | | | |
| D.1.4. Age (Years): | | |  | | | |
| D.1.5. NIC No. | | |  | | | |
| D.1.6. Tel. No.: Official | | |  | | | |
| D.1.7. Tel. No.: Mobile | | |  | | | |
| D.1.8. Email (Official) | | |  | | | |
| D.1.9. Email (Personal) | | |  | | | |
| D.1.10. Organizational Address: | | |  | | | |
| D.1.11. Home Address: | | |  | | | |
| D.1.12. Present position/designation: | | |  | | | |
| D.1.13. Professional function in the organization:  *Permanent or Contractual position (Refer Guidelines)* | | |  | | | |
| D.1.14. Highest academic qualification: | | |  | | | |
| D.1.15. Date of obtaining qualification: | | |  | | | |
| D.1.16. Field of specialization: | | |  | | | |
| D.1.17. Your knowledge/experience in the field of proposed research: | | |  | | | |
| D.1.18. Bio-data | | | Latest Curriculum Vitae should be annexed ***(Annex II)*** | | | |
| D.1.19. List top 10 publications in referred journals you have authored during the last 10 years: *(Underline publications relevant to this application)* | | | | | | |
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| D.1.20. List the names of postgraduate students supervised by you during the last 10 years: *Indicate the postgraduate degree, date of successful completion; otherwise, the status* | | | | | | |
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| D.1.21. List of grants received by you during the last 10 years. *Mention project title, funded amount, funding source and the status of completion.* | | | | | | |
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| D.1.22. Are you due for sabbatical/overseas leave during the next 3 years; if so, give details, stating whether you will take such leave and how this will affect the research project: *Refer guidelines* | | | | | | |
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| **D.2. Co-investigator(s):** *One**Supplementary Form should be filled for each co-investigator and should be attached to the proposal. You can add more lines below, as per your need.* | | | | | | |
| Full Name | | Institute | | | h-index | Area of Specialization |
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| D.3. Collaborations you have established to assist with the proposed project. (Local) | | | | | | |
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| D.4. Collaborations you have established to assist with the proposed project. (International) | | | | | | |
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| **D.5. Institution where research will be carried out?** *Refer Guidelines* | | | | | | |
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| D.6. Has this or a similar proposal been accepted / submitted in the recent past (or is in the course of implementation) by any other organization, national or foreign, for financial support to the Principal Investigator or any Investigator of the present project application?  ***Yes / No*** *(strike out the irrelevant)*  If yes, specify: | | | | | | |
| D.6.1. Name of Investigator(s): | | | |  | | |
| D.6.2. Full title of project: | | | |  | | |
| D.6.3. Duration: *Starting & closing dates of contract.* | | | |  | | |
| D.6.4. Financial support: | | | |  | | |
| D.6.5. Funding agency: | | | |  | | |
| D.7. Is there any restriction on the dissemination of the results of the proposed project foreseen and, if so, what kind of restriction? *Refer Guidelines* | | | | | | |
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| D.8. State any risk involved in this project:  *Technical/Economic/Regulatory/ Environmental risk & your proposed mitigation measures* | | | | | | |
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| **D.9. Declaration of the Head of the institution:**   | Proposed Research Project Title |  | | --- | --- | | Name of the Principal Investigator |  | | Department / Division of the Principal Investigator |  | | Estimated total budget (LKR) |  |   I hereby assure that; the present project proposal will be assured of infrastructural support in human and material resources enjoyed at the inception of the project and guaranteed to be sustained for the whole duration of the latter. This research has not been conducted earlier and is within the mandate of the institution.  **For the institution** (Head of the Public Institution; *e.g.: Vice Chancellor of the university)*  Name & Designation:  Public Institution:  Signature:  Date:  Official Stamp: | | | | | | |
| **D.10. Declaration of Principal Investigator**  I hereby declare that, the information given above is true and accurate and agree to participate in this research project as the Principal Investigator. | | | | | | |
| Name with initials |  | | | | | |
| N.I.C. No. |  | | | | | |
| Signature & Official Seal |  | | | | | |
| Date |  | | | | | |
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**D.11. CONCISE SUMMARY (LAYMEN’S SUMMARY)**

***Mandatory for all applicants (This is to be submitted to the General Treasury. This should be stated in simplified terms understandable to someone not specialized in the specific field)***

| **NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL**  **NATIONAL RELEVANCE OF RESEARCH PROJECT - YEAR 2025** | | |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Project Title: |  | |
| Name of Applicant: |  | |
| **Concise Summary of the relevance of the proposed research to national development and/or science and technology capacity building in the country. If the research is completed successfully what follow-up action is necessary to use the results; and what institutions (whether public or private) will be able to meaningfully implement the findings.**  **(Not more than 250 words. Use ‘Times new roman’ font size 10)** | | |
| **Office Use Only** | | |
| Funds requested: | |  |
| Funds awarded: | |  |
| Major Equipment: | |  |
| Consumables: | |  |

**Annex I: Work Plan (Gantt Chart)**

| **Objective** | **Specific Activities** | **Key performance Indicators (KPI)** | **1st Year** | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1. Present Position/designation: | |  | | | | |
| 1. Professional function in the organization: | |  | | | | |
| 1. Highest academic qualification: | |  | | | | |
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| 1. Field of specialization: | |  | | | | |
| 1. List top 10 publications, in refereed journals you have authored during the last 10 years:   (Underline publications relevant to this application) | | | | | | |
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| 1. List the names of postgraduate students supervised by you during the last 10 years:   Indicate the postgraduate degree & date of successful completion; else whether project is  continuing | | | | | | |
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| 9. Describe your experience and outputs in relation to the proposed research: | | | | | | |
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| 10. Your contribution to the proposed research: | | | | | | |
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| 11. Are you due for sabbatical/overseas leave during the next 3 years; if so, give details stating  whether you will take such leave and how this will affect the research project. | | | | | | |
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| 12. Short Bio-data (limit to 1 page): *Please annex* | | | | | | |
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**MINOR EQUIPMENT FORM** (*Attach a separate Equipment Form for each minor equipment*)

**Name of Equipment:** ……………………………………….

**Specifications should not be based on a pre-selected brand.**

| **No.** | **Critical specifications with required parameters** | **Justifications** |
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