**Seed Money Project (SMP) Proposal** - Title Page

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| Project title |  |
| Category | SMP |
| Status of the proposal (tick the appropriate) | Original /Revised |
| Principal Investigator (PI) |  |
| Other Investigators |  |
| Period | From (mm/yyyy) to (mm/yyyy) |
| Total budget | Rs. |
| Suggested reviewers: | 1  2 |

Please provide information on the ongoing SMP, SRP, LRP and CRP research projects

by the principal investigator funded by R&P.

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**Research Proposal**

**for**

**Seed Money Project (SMP) Support**

1. Research proposal details: Please fill-in the following aspects of the project in detail. The proposal should not exceed 2-3 pages excluding supplementary documents (if any).
2. Title of the project
3. Duration of the project
4. Background/motivation of the research (including a brief review of the literature), description of research and proposed research methodology (in about 400-500 words)
5. List of references
6. Indicate the nature of the output expected at the end of the research project.

Please indicate the number of outputs in the appropriate cell/s.

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| Output category | No. of outputs |
| Working paper/Conference paper |  |
| Literature review report |  |
| Data collection/survey report |  |
| Detailed grant proposal |  |
| Journal article |  |
| Book chapter |  |
| Any other (please specify) |  |

1. Proposed Budget: Please provide a detailed budget of the proposed research. For

instance, an estimate of research assistance should give details such as (a) the time period of required research assistance and (b) the per period cost. Similarly, details are expected for each of the items.

The items given in the table below are only indicative for the purpose. The proposal is expected to give detailed estimates for each item included in the budget.

Proposed Budget

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| Item | Amount (Rs.) |
| Research assistance required |  |
| Data collection/ acquisition\* |  |
| Travel expenses for data collection |  |
| Computer / other equipment (rental charges) |  |
| Others (please specify) |  |
| Total |  |

\*For new data acquisition (or subscription), please discuss first with the Library Committee. In case, we need to acquire new data (data sets) using from IIMA research fund, the data should be allowed to become a part of IIMA library data repository post completion of the project (this would enable other IIMA researchers/ students to use the data).

1. Research Assistant (RA) Requirement Details:

If you are requesting funds to hire RAs, please help the review team understand your requirements. While budgeting for the RA salary, please follow the guidelines provided by the Dean (Faculty) (see Annexure 1)

* 1. How will the RA support your research goals? Please discuss the type of research tasks that the RA is expected to perform in this project.
  2. What skills does the RA need to have to help with your research?

Date: Signature of the Principal Investigator

**Annexure 1: Guidelines for Project Staff (RA) Salary**

The guidelines for the Project Staff (RA) Salary with effect from **April 1, 2021** will be as follows.

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| **Sr.No.** | **Criteria** | **Proposed Monthly**  **Base Salary Range (INR)**` |
| 1 | Intern | 10,000/- to 15,000/- |
| 2 | Completed Bachelor’s degree | 25,000/- to 35,000/- |
| 3 | Completed Master’s degree or professional degree (CA/CS/CMA/LLM etc.) | 30,000/- to 45,000/- |
| 4 | Ph.D. degree | 75,000/- to 90,000/- |

**Additional salary to be given with the Base Salary:**

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| **Criteria** | **Additional Payout** `**(INR)** |
| Candidate with prior Research Experience (at least six months, and experience shall be of post qualification mentioned in above table) relevant to the project | 5,000/- to 10,000/- |
| Candidates having special skill set in data analysis, visualization tools, software/applications, technical skills, professional & specialization certification etc.  Project Leader may decide the additional weightage as per the requirement of the project and subject to availability of the funds. | 5,000/- to 10,000/- |

Note:

1. In case of recruitment of any Research Associate or Research Assistant (RA) in any of the projects where the salary of the RA is more than Rupees One Lakh a committee comprising Chairperson of the relevant area and the Dean (Faculty) shall be constituted. The committee will meet the project leader in order to understand the rationale for offering a higher salary and prepare a report. The final decision will be taken by the director based on the report of the committee.
2. In case of any RA Recruitment where higher salary is being offered, prior approval is to be sought from the director with proper justification.
3. Consolidated lump-sum salary for a specific project (for example, case-writing RAs) may be allowed, but such proposals should also provide an estimate of the time required.