GUIDELINES & FORMAT

for submission of

PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR

TIFAC-IIASA STUDIES

under

INDIA-IIASA PROGRAMME



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TIFAC-IIASA STUDIES

 Background: International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA), located in Austria, conducts inter-disciplinary scientific studies on environmental, economic, technological and social issues in the context of human dimensions of global change. It specializes in natural and social scientific research methods and models valued by policy makers, the scientific community and the public worldwide.

IIASA is sponsored by its National Member Organizations in Africa, Asia, Europe, and North America. India is a member of IIASA, with Technology Information, Forecasting and Assessment Council (TIFAC), as the National Member Organization (NMO). (Details regarding TIFAC & IIASA can be accessed at tifac.org.in and iiasa.ac.at respectively). In its role as the Indian NMO, TIFAC facilitates utilization of insights of Indian researchers with IIASA's analytical strengths through suitable projects and programmes. In this regard, TIFAC has launched a dedicated TIFAC-IIASA study area for collaborative studies with IIASA with participation of researchers/scientists from Indian institutions/organizations and involvement of TIFAC Scientists in areas of mutual interests of India and IIASA.

Preferred areas of TIFAC-IIASA collaborative studies include innovation & technology change, technology foresight, risk, vulnerability and adaptation, water resources, land use and land use change, agriculture, population and health, infrastructure, growth & development etc. The study deliverables are expected to address aspects of policy inputs in the studied area.

2. Guidelines For Formulating Proposals

- i. The proposal developed should be in Indian context covering the areas of India & IIASA's mutual interests. The study should effectively contribute towards outputs of policy significance and decision support in the concerned area.
- ii. TIFAC encourages formulation of proposals through consultative process. Preliminary proposals giving brief information on concept, idea, proposed activity etc may also be submitted. These preliminary proposals could be further refined through mutual discussions, expert advice etc.
- iii. Proposal may include brain storming, focused meetings, workshops and other means of information exchange and interaction of S&T experts and / or of S&T field activists etc, Workshops for the capacity building in the area of research/study may be taken under the Programme.
- iv. The duration is expected to be of 6-12 months with the maximum being 24 months in exceptional cases.

3. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- a. The Principal Institution assumes financial and other administrative responsibilities of the project.
- b. The manpower recruited for the project should be paid as per the rules of the Institute and guidelines of the Government of India.

- c. Confirmation of IIASA Collaboration and indicative financial support from IIASA for the proposal is mandatory.
- d. In case of multi-institutional project, formal confirmation from the collaborating institutions/ scientists should support the proposal.
- e. Deliverables to TIFAC will include:
 - i. Report of the research work undertaken and learning gained by the Indian Guest Scholar (IGS) at IIASA, duly authenticated by the Indian and IIASA Principal Investigators (PI).
 - ii. 2 hard copies of report and one soft copy of the report in a CD of the project along with 1-2 page executive summary of the same at the end of the project.
- f. Any research papers published and/ or presented in seminar, conferences and peer reviewed journals based on the work carried out in the project will be done with due acknowledgement to TIFAC.
- g. Screening Committee constituted by TIFAC as the Indian NMO will consider the proposals for final approval/rejection. The Committee may seek expert opinion, wherever required.

4. DOCUMENTS/ENCLOSURES REQUIRED WITH THE PROPOSAL:

- (a) Endorsement from the Head of the Institutions (on letter head) and participating organization
- (b) Confirmation of IIASA collaboration and indicative financial support from IIASA
- (c) Formal confirmation from the collaborating institutions/ scientists (In case of multi-institutional projects

Proposal may only be submitted through email addressed to Ms. Kiran A Zacharia, Member Secretary, India-IIASA Programme at kiranaz@nic.in/iiasa@tifac.org.in. (Please mention 'TIFAC-IIASA Study' in the subject of e-mail)