

# **PROJECT SUPPORT SCHEME FOR STUDENTS (PSSS)**

## **GENERAL INFORMATION & GUIDELINES**



**PSN INSTITUTIONS  
TIRUNELVELI – 627 152**

## **OBJECTIVES**

1. To encourage young researchers, particularly UG and PG students to take up R&D activities,
2. To give encouragement to active researchers to convert their research ideas into research projects, as proof of the concept, by providing them technical and financial support.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The Scheme is open for all final year UG and PG students of PSN Institutions, Tirunelveli.

## **FUNDING PATTERN & GENERAL CONDITIONS**

1. This scheme will support final year student projects (UG & PG) of PSN Institutions every year with a maximum support of Rs.10,000/- per project.
2. The students of PSNCET, PSNEC and PSNITS can apply for this scheme through proper channels. The projects should be submitted in the prescribed format.
3. For final year UG, THREE students shall be in a group with ONE faculty as project supervisor. PG projects should be done individually.
4. The last date for application is July 15<sup>th</sup> of every year. The projects submitted will be scrutinized by an expert committee constituted for the purpose and final sanction order will be given on 31<sup>st</sup> July of every year.
5. The Scrutiny Committee has every power to increase or decrease the amount requested for the project. The students along with the project supervisor will be called for presentation, if necessary.
6. The amount sanctioned shall be utilized only for consumables/spare parts required for the project. 10% of the sanctioned amount shall be utilized for contingencies. Other than these heads no other heads of expenditure is permissible. If any other specific items necessary for the project are required, the same may be obtained with prior approval of the respective college Principal.

7. Proper statement of expenditure with bills of purchase along with a utilization certificate should be submitted by the project supervisor on or before 31<sup>st</sup> March of the financial year of sanction.
8. 75% of the sanctioned amount will be given as I instalment and the remaining 25% will be released after the successful submission of statement of accounts utilization certificate and final technical report.
- 9. For UG students, participating and presenting the outcome of the project in project exhibition organised by other institutions is mandatory. They should also try to publish their work in conference proceedings/journals. For PG students publication in conference proceedings/journals is mandatory.**
10. An exhibition will be arranged by the college for displaying/demonstrating the products developed/materials synthesized/ software developed or any other outcome of the supported project before the end of the academic year. A committee will be constituted to evaluate the outcome of the projects. Based on this, three best projects (ranked as I, II and III) will be selected and the students will be given Merit Certificates. The respective project supervisors will be given a cash award of Rs. 5000/- (for the I), Rs.3000/- (for the II) and Rs. 2000 (for the III) and a certificate.
11. After the successful completion of the project the project supervisor should submit the technical report of the project to the Principal. The Principal shall send all the technical reports to the office of the Director (Research).
12. IF THE PROJECT IS FOUND TO BE PURCHASED FROM OUTSIDE THEN THE AMOUNT SANCTIONED WILL BE RECOVERED FROM THE PROJECT SUPERVISOR.

### **SCRUTINY OF PROPOSALS**

The proposals will be scrutinized by subject experts nominated by the Director (Research) for this purpose. The outcome of the scrutiny will be placed in the Internal Research Committee (IRC) for final decision.

### **ISSUE OF SANCTION LETTER**

Based on the recommendations of IRC, the Director (Research) shall issue the sanction letter (consisting of the final list of projects sanctioned to the respective college) to the Principals of the college for disbursement of funds.

### **UTILISATION OF FUNDS**

The funds sanctioned should be spent only for the purpose for which it is intended for, as mentioned in the sanction order. Any deviation from the sanction order should be brought to the notice of the Principal, in writing. Such deviations shall be carried out only if the Principal issues Letter of Fund Adjustment. Unspent amount, if any, should be returned after the completion of the project work.

### **ADDITIONAL FUNDS**

No additional funds except the sanctioned amount will be given.

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**FORMAT FOR SUBMISSION OF PROJECTS UNDER  
PROJECT SUPPORT SCHEME FOR STUDENTS**

**INSTITUTION: PSNCET / PSNEC / PSNITS**

1. Department:
2. Name of the students (not more than THREE for UG) with year of study:
3. Name of the Project Supervisor with designation:
4. Title of the project work (in capital letters) :
5. Description of the project (in about 250 words): This should be provided in a separate sheet containing the title of the project, methodology, expected outcome and scope for the future. Three copies should be enclosed.

**N.B.: Please do not write the name of the students or project supervisor or name of the institution in the sheet. THREE copies of the description of the project should be attached.**

6. Budget (give the heads of expenditure for which the amount will be spent) with justification.
7. Any other relevant information.

**Signature of the Project Supervisor**

**Signature of the students**

**Recommended and Forwarded**

**Dean/Head of the Department**

**Signature of the Principal**