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## **CIRCULAR**

Subject:

<u>Institutional Strengthening Grant for Upgrading Laboratories and Libraries</u>

# Introduction:

The Higher Education Commission of Pakistan (HEC) aims to strengthen and up-grade the existing Laboratories and Libraries of recognized public sector Universities/Degree Awarding Institutions and recognized campuses. The science and technology is one of the most important aspect of a viable higher education infrastructure. Majority of the Institutions in Pakistan lack institutional and human resource capacities to involve in meaningful research and development and there is an urgent need to strengthen and upgrade scientific institution in Pakistan.

### **Objectives:**

The objective of this program is to support higher education institutions by giving grants of maximum 3.00 Million to upgrade their existing laboratories and libraries in order to conduct research work in different fields. The grant will be used for the purchase of small to medium sized scientific equipment, library material on the basis of strong justification and cost-benefit analysis. Institutions with good track record, clearly defined objectives and adequate human resources can benefit from this scheme.

### Eligibility Criteria:

- The applicant (PI) must be a regular/TTS faculty member of a recognized and respective university/Institution.
- All Public Sector Universities/DAI's/Centers & recognized campus are entitled to apply for funding under this program.
- All proposals will be submitted through online system of HEC after announcement in National Newspapers, (manual/by hand submission will not be entertained)
- Newly established and remote areas universities/campuses will be encouraged to apply
- Grant maximum up to 3.00 million will be given to a University/DAI against a proposal.
- During a financial year, a University/DAI is entitled to receive only one grant subject to no pending project completion reports of proposal(s) funded earlier to the university.
- No funds shall be provided for civil works/infrastructure development/renovation of libraries or laboratories.
- List of items with complete detail must be mentioned with cost of each item in Pak rupees with tax.
- Duration of execution for each proposal/project is one year.
- All payments will be made by observing codal formalities/rules & regulations of respective Universities & Govt. of Pakistan

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- Proper Stock entries will be made in the Stock Register of the Institutions for all items purchased under the project.
- The Principal Investigator (PI) will be responsible to submit the project completion report along with an expenditure statements with copies duly vetted and verified by respective audit and finance section of universities. The completion report certificate must be signed by HOD, Focal Person, Audit officer, Accounts officer and VC/Rector with remarks.
- HEC has rights to get project completion report through an independent reviewer. This evaluation may include on physical inspection as well.
- If the Focal Person retires or is appointed in any other University/Institute, the grant including the moveable items will not be shifted in any case.
- In such circumstances, The Vice Chancellor/Rector will be authority to handover the project to any suitable person under intimation to this office, and new focal person will be responsible to submit the completion report.
- All items must have three quotations except books for libraries which require only one quotation.
- No item purchased under any other scheme/project be mentioned. If such case is found, the HEC reserves the right to take appropriate action under the rules.

## **How to Apply:**

All proposals will be submitted through online system on http://eportal.hec.gov.pk/isull Last date of application Submission is September 29, 2017

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