

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION BAHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG

No. F.5-8/DRS-II/2018(SAP-III)

To.

The Registrar, Tripura University, Suryamaninagar - 799 022



Sub:- University Grants Commission Assistance to the selected department under Special Assistance Programme (SAP) - Review of the Programme in the Department of Economics, Tripura University, Suryamaninagar - 799 022 for upgradation/continuation from DRS-I to DRS-II for a period of 5 years (01-04-2018 to 31-03-2023) subject to availability of funds and continuation of the scheme beyond 31.03.2019.

Sir/Madam.

- 1. UGC's Special Assistance Programme (SAP) is intended through constant effort to raise the quality of teaching/ research in different disciplines in Bio-Sciences, Sciences, Engineering & Technology, Humanities, Social Science departments and carefully selected on the basis of their work, academic achievements and viable potential for further development. The essence and primary aim of the scheme is combination of teaching and research to encourage group research efforts in pursuit of excellence.
- 2. The Department of **Economics** was implementing **DRS-I** of the SAP programme approved for a duration of five years for 01.04.2011 to 31.03.2016.
- 3. As per guidelines, the Commission constituted an Expert Committee to review the progress of above said department on completion of tenure under the Special Assistance Programme (SAP). The Expert Committee Reviewed the department on 5th January,
- 4. The Review Committee, after a very careful and critical in-depth examination of the academic achievements of the department during the term as well as various aspects of implementation of the programme with the departmental representatives has submitted
- 5. UGC has approved the Department of Economics from DRS-I to DRS-II programme for a further period of five years from 01-04-2018 to 31-03-2023. Period from 01-04-2016 to 31-03-2018 may be treated as gap years.
- 6. On the basis of the recommendations of the Review Committee, convey approval of the University Grants Commission to the continuation/Upgradation of the programme at the level of DRS-II for 5 years with the following thrust area(s) for research and teaching Thrust Area Identified
 - Development of North-East India with special focus on Tripura.

The Co-ordinator may continue till the end of the present duration of the programme or till his/her superannuation.

7. The financial assistance approved for implementing the present phase at the level of DRS-II for a duration of 5 years (01/04/2018 to 31/03/2023) is given below:

S. No.	Non-Recurring (Items)	Rs. (In Lakh)
1.	Equipment (List of Equipment to be purchased may be sent with the approval of the Advisory Committee)	2.00
2.	Building (upgradation/augmentation extension of existing laboratory for housing and Installation of new equipment)(maximum Limit upto 50 lakhs) including airconditioning	20.00
	TOTAL	22.00
S.No.	Recurring	
1.	Contingency/Working expenses @ Rs.40,000/- p.a.	2.00
2.	Travel/Field facilities/Field trips for Faculty members only (all within India Only) @Rs.1,00,000/- p.a.	5.00
3.	Visiting Fellows @Rs.1,00,000/- p.a.	5.00
4.	Seminars (for organization) on thrust area @ Rs. 2,00,000/-p.a. (for 3 Seminars only)	6.00
5.	Hiring the services of Technical/Industrial/Secretarial assistance as relevant to the programme (for programme duration only) @Rs.2,00,000/- p.a.	10.00
6.	Advisory Committee meetings (TA/DA for UGC nominee in the committee) @Rs.90,000/- p.a.	4.50
7.	Books and Journals @ Rs.1,00,000/- p.a.	5.00
8.	Project Fellow (One)	Actuals
	Total	
		37.5+1P.F.(Actual

	(Rs. In lakh)
Non - Recurring	Rs. 22.00
Recurring	Rs. 37.50+ 1 P.F. (Actual)
**Total (NR + R) for 5 years =	Rs. 59.50 + 1 P.F. (Actual)

(Rupees Fifty nine Lakh fifty thousand only) + 1 P.F. (Actual)

^{**} The aforesaid approval is up to 31.03.2019 only. Further the scheme may continue subject to concurrence and availability of funds from Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD).