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No:JKST&IC/SRE/3/374-77 Dated: 30-11-2021.

Sub: Funding of Research Projects – Approval thereof.

Sir,

We are pleased to inform you that your project titled **"Blockchain University : An immutable e-learning assessment platform using blockchain"** has been approved by the expert committee for funding. A total amount of **Rs.2.95 lakhs** have been approved and shall be released in phased manner as per the availability of funds over a period of duration of the project and shall be governed by JKST&IC rules. In the first instance an amount of **Rs.1.13 lakhs** has been released vide **JKSTIC Order No. 95 of 2021 dated 12-11-2021** in the official account of your institution. The terms and conditions governing the funding of the project are as below.

Terms and Conditions

1. Principal Investigator's (PI's) who have been allotted funds for undertaking Surveys / Studies in the Financial Year 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 are not recommended for research project funding.
2. PI's who have submitted more than one project are recommended for undertaking only one research project at a time.
3. The PI shall complete the research projects within the budget recommended by the Technical Evaluation / Advisory Committee and within stipulated time.
4. PI of the projects must be working as permanent Scientists/ Academicians.
5. International travel if any, is not permitted under the programme.
6. The overhead expenses (If any) will be given to the maximum 10% of the yearly budget excluding the cost of permanent equipment (not exceeding Rs 2.5 Lakhs in the total budget).
7. Any equipment procured under the said project shall be allowed to be used by any other research agency as and when needed.
8. Stock Register for any purchase made under the project should be properly maintained for audit purposes or as and when needed.

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9. Physical and financial progress of the projects should be communicated after every three months, or whenever asked for

10. The investigators shou'd clearly understand and accept the Terms and Conditions regulating the grants released by the JKST&IC.

11. Funds for approved proposals shall be released only as per rules of the JKST&IC.

12. PI must submit Utilization Certificate, Project report, and other relevant documents, duly audited and authenticated by the Competent Authority, to JKST&IC on the completion of the project or as and when asked for in case of official exigency.

13. Publication of results/presentation of papers should clearly acknowledge the funding from the JKST&IC, UT of J&K and should also contain a disclaimer that the JKST&IC is not responsible for any result interpretations expressed in the report/study.

Expenditure breakup

S.No.	Item	Budget		(Rs. in lakhs)
		First Year	Second Year	Total
1	Consumables	0.10	0.00	0.10
2	Minor equipment (less than 2.5 Lakhs)	1.40	0.00	1.40
3	Travel for attending/ participating in Conferences/Workshops/Project related Work	0.15	0.00	0.15
4	Manpower	1.20	0.00	1.20
5	Others/Contingency	0.10	0.00	0.10
	Total :	2.95	0.00	2.95

For any other clarification please feel free to contact preferably through E-Mail jkstic89sre@gmail.com

Yours faithfully,

Additional Director

Copy to the:

1. Vice Chancellor, Islamic University of Science and Technology, Awantipora, Kashmir.
2. Registrar, Islamic University of Science and Technology, Awantipora, Kashmir.

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