

## St. Xavier's College (Empowered Autonomous Institute),

### Mumbai

#### POLICY FOR SEED MONEY FOR RESEARCH

The best teaching colleges in the world have a strong research component. Research projects keep teachers abreast of development in their respective fields of competence and interest. Often, however, funds needed for research are not easily available or have been applied for from funding agencies, but there is a delay in obtaining these funds.

Sometimes there is a need to support preliminary work that is expected to grow into a sizeable research project which will be submitted to an external funding organisation later. For this pilot study, seed money is needed. The management of St Xavier's College, Mumbai has formulated the following research funding policy. Faculty members are encouraged to benefit from the policy and do their best.

## Faculty-Wise Seed Money/Research Grant

- **1.** Every year, the College will budget up to **Rs.** 6,00,000/- as seed money for research projects of the faculty of SXCM (Aided and Unaided). The maximum amount that may be disbursed as a research grant/seed money to a single project will range **from 50,000/- up to 1,00,000/-** Once a project is funded, the same project is not eligible for seed funding in subsequent years.
- 2. Studies involving biodiversity will need a Permission Letter from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of Forest Force (PCCF), Nagpur
- 3. Candidates who wish to avail themselves of this seed money/research grant will submit a research proposal to the Research Committee for approval. Seed money grant proposals should show how this will result in a larger research proposal and identify agencies to which a future proposal could be submitted. The Research Committee with an external subject expert will evaluate the proposal and recommend the amount of seed money for the project. The Research Committee based on the expert opinion will have the right to reject a proposal if found not suitable. The Research Committee may stipulate additional terms and conditions which the investigator(s) must comply with.
- 4. A faculty who has already received a seed money grant is eligible to apply again for the grant after two years.



**Patent Filing Charges** for patent applications by inventors with the Indian Patent Registry will be reimbursed only if the patent is granted. In addition to the reimbursement of the filing charges, upon obtaining a patent (national or international), the inventors will receive a cash award of **Rs. 20,000**/. For Intellectual Property, please refer to <a href="https://xaviers.ac/about-us/policies-procedures">https://xaviers.ac/about-us/policies-procedures</a>

# **Annual Research Day**

A Research Poster Presentation will be held annually on February 28 to showcase research outcomes. The Vice Principal (Academics) will coordinate the event. The candidates are encouraged to publish their work in journals listed in Scopus/Web of Science/ UGC-Care.