



INDIAN COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH
(RESEARCH PROJECT DIVISION)

File No.122/2024-25/ICSSR/RP/MN/OBC

Dated: 07.03.2025

Subject: Provisional Award Letter for ICSSR Minor Research Project (2024-25)

Dear Dr. Debashis Nath,

With reference to your application, the selection is made on the basis of recommendations of the Expert Committee with following details:

Approved Title by the Expert Committee	India's Approach to Cross-border Connectivity through the North East Region: Finding the Gap between Theory and Practice
Budget Approved	Rs.750000/- (Seven lakh Fifty Thousand Rupees Only)
Approved Duration of the Project (Months)	12 Months
First Instalment (50% of the awarded grant)	Rs.375000/- (Three lakh Seventy Five Thousand Rupees Only)

Please note that this proposal is approved provisionally by the Competent Authority on the recommendations of the Expert Committee. Upon receipt, verification and acceptance of the below mentioned original documents, ICSSR will issue a final award letter and sanction order along with detailed budget containing breakup of expenditure:

1.	Duly notarized undertaking by the Project Coordinator on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs.100/-
2.	Duly notarized declaration by the project Coordinator on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs.100/-
3.	Original forwarding Letter duly signed/ stamped by statutory authority of the institute
4.	Grant-in-aid bill (Pre-receipt) duly filled in for the first instalment
5.	Letter/ certificate regarding 12 B/2F status of the affiliating Institute and a proof of institution's eligibility to receive the public grant (If applicable as per the guidelines of ICSSR Research Projects)
6.	Duly filled PFMS form
7.	Self-attested Photocopy of Ph.D. Degree certificate of both Project Director and Co-Project Director
8.	Self-attested Photocopy of Appointment Order / Employment Letter of Project Director

9.	Self-attested Photocopy of Memorandum of Appointment / Appointment Order / Employment Letter / Proceedings copy of the Appointment in case of Applicants (Project Director / Co-PD) those who are working in private institutions and other than Govt. Institutions
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You are requested to upload scanned copies of the required documents to the **ICSSR Portal** (<https://app.icssr.org>) against the submitted application no later than **12th March 2025** and send all the above mentioned original documents (Checklist enclosed) to the undersigned on or before **17.03.2025**.

If you have been awarded a project under any other programme of ICSSR, and the Sanction Letter for that project has been issued, you are requested to inform us immediately. In this situation, the current award will not be considered operational. If you have already been awarded a project, and the sanction letter has not been issued yet, you may choose between the two awards and clearly inform us which project you would like to proceed with.

- a. All the Payments and Transfers are to be done through EAT module of Public Financial Management System (PFMS)/ RBI Account, hence the institution has to open a dedicated account as per the notification of ICSSR for those that have not yet done so. (https://icssr.org/sites/default/files/2019-PFMS-Notification_New.pdf)
- b. In case of any issues / problems in execution of PFMS/ RBI Account, you may go through the video tutorial at <https://www.icssr.org/sites/default/files/pfms.pdf>
- c. Those Institutions' Bank Account registered under PFMS/ RBI Account must ensure that your account is linked with ICSSR Scheme - 0877 at PFMS portal. Those who have already registered and have the dedicated account or may have multiple accounts must ensure to provide the exact one so that the confusion can be avoided and faster transaction can be done.
- d. The date of commencement for ICSSR Major/Minor Research Projects (2024-25) will be issued by ICSSR at the time of issuing the final award letter along with sanction order.
- e. Please note that title of this proposal has been approved by the Expert Committee(s) and any inquiries regarding these projects will be addressed only at the time of issuing Sanction Order.
- f. **It is further informed that the ICSSR reserves the right to cancel the award at any time during the course of project if any document submitted by you regarding eligibility criteria or otherwise is found to be false/incorrect or any ICSSR guideline is violated.**

With Best Regards

Dr. Sili Rout
Dy. Director
In-charge, Research Project Division
ICSSR

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Note: Any changes in the format of Forwarding Letter in the attached checklist will not be considered.