ALL INDIA INSTTUTE OF SPEECH AND HEARING, MYSORE - 6

REVISED GUIDELINES FOR SENDING THE PROPOSALS FOR AIISH RESEARCH FUND

1. Objectives

The purpose of creation of fund is to encourage the multi disciplinary and inter disciplinary research in areas of Speech, Language and Hearing and other allied areas as detailed below.

- a. To pursue basic and applied interdisciplinary research in speech, language and hearing sciences and disorders in India through networking among institutions across the nation as well as international centers.
- b. To augment the above objectives with a focus on the special population in India (the multilingual) and the sign language users.
- b. To facilitate effective collaboration between various scientific and research agencies/laboratories and other organizations working in the field of speech, language and hearing sciences and disorders.
- c. To disseminate information on aspects relevant to speech, language and hearing to the scientific community through publications.

2. Eligibility:

The following categories of professionals are eligible to send the project proposals

- a. Faculty and Group 'A' staff of AIISH.
- b. Speech, Language and Hearing Group 'A' Professionals working in Government institutions / Autonomous bodies / Public Sector Undertakings / Universities / Academic Institutions / Private Institutions
- c. Other Group 'A' professionals from the field of neurosciences, linguistics, acoustics, biomedical electronics, clinical psychology, genetics, rehabilitation sciences, otolaryngology, medical specialists related to Speech, Language and Hearing and Computer Scientists working in Government institutions / Autonomous bodies / Public Sector Undertakings / Universities / Academic Institutions / Private Institutions
- d. The Professionals indicated at (b) and (c) above are required to meet the following conditions
 - i. They have to develop a research proposals with one of the faculty members from the disciplines of Speech, Language and Hearing at AIISH as an investigator.
 - ii. There should be ongoing interaction of the professionals who are involved in research activities out of AIISH Research Fund with the AIISH professionals through out the research tenure.

3. Grants

The maximum grant that can be given under this fund shall not exceed Rs.five Lakhs except in exceptional circumstances necessitated by the scope and depth of the study, or the importance of the potential findings of the study. The investigators may note the following points while formulating the budget.

- a. No grants shall be given for purchase of equipment including computers. However, charges for computing facility can be included.
- b. Provision can be made for payment of Rs.20000/- p.m. as fellowship for a maximum period of two months to principal investigator during the currency of the project provided they stay and work at AIISH. The above amount shall be the part of the salary component in the project budget and no additional grants would be made available for this purpose.
- c. No "Institute overhead" will be provided out of the AIISH Research Fund.
- d. In the event of project proposals received from the professionals of Government Institutions, Autonomous Organizations and Public Sector undertakings is approved, the management of funds will be by the investigator of the AIISH.

4. Evaluation

The evaluation of project carried out of AIISH Research Fund will be evaluated in three stages

- a. Proposal Stage
- b. Mid-term review
- c. Final stage

a. Proposal Stage:

Professionals who are eligible to submit the project proposals to be carried out from AIISH Research Fund may submit their proposals in the prescribed format enclosed as format A and B at any time during the year. However, proposals will be evaluated in the months of April and October every year.

An AIISH Research Fund Council consisting of three to five persons constituted by the Director, with the Director as the Chairperson, will evaluate the proposals. Additional special invitees may be included in the committee whenever indicated.

b. Mid-term review

The investigators of the project are required to submit periodical progressive report of the project viz every six month. The Council constituted by the Director for the purpose may call upon the investigators at a convenient time and request the investigators to present the progress of the Project. The Council will review and record its recommendations / suggestions which will be communicated to the investigators for compliance.

c. Final stage:

The investigator is required to submit a final report of the project within 30 days from the closure of the Project. The investigators at AIISH shall be held fully responsible for complying with this condition.

The AIISH Research Advisory Council will evaluate the entire progress of the project on receipt of the project report from the investigators and record its recommendations. The Council shall request investigators to be present before the committee to present the work carried out during the project.

5. Publications

The investigators are encouraged to publish their research in leading journals, however, with prior permission from AIISH Mysore. The institute has absolute rights to decide on the manner in which the result of the study shall be disseminated keeping in view the larger interests of the institute and the public.

The Institute retains absolute ownership of the results of, and the products of the study including patents, publications and all others.

6. Interpretation

In respect of other conditions which have not been mentioned above, the decision of the Director AIISH shall be final and binding on the investigators.

These modified guidelines shall come into force with effect from 01.04.2017.