

**Proceedings of the meeting**

Proceedings of the meeting of the Committee to identify thrust areas to invite Research Innovation and quality improvement proposals under Component (8) of RUSA held on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 in the conference hall of Karnataka State Higher Education Council, Bengaluru at 10.30 am.

The following members were present:

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| 1. Prof. P. Balaram, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru      | - Chairman |
| 2. Dr. S.A.Kori, Executive Director, KSHEC, Bengaluru            |            |
| 3. Prof V K Aatre, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru        | - Member   |
| 4. Prof A.R.Upadhy, National Aerospace Laboratories, Bengaluru   | - Member   |
| 5. Prof. K.Byrappa, Mangalore University, Mangaluru              | - Member   |
| 6. Prof. Sharath Anantha Murthy, Bangalore University, Bengaluru | - Member   |
| 7. Sri Ramesh L.S., Special Officer, KSHEC, Bengaluru            | - Invitee  |
| 8. Dr. Tejaswini B.Y., Special Officer, KSHEC, Bengaluru         | - Convener |
| 9. Dr. Indumathi T.S., Special Officer, KSHEC, Bengaluru         | - Invitee  |

Dr. S.A.Kori, Executive Director, KSHEC welcomed the Chairman and Committee members and briefed about RUSA programme. He informed that the state has already submitted 3 Research Innovation and quality improvement proposals under Component (8) of RUSA to MHRD amounting Rs.120 Crores. But as there are other thrust areas which need to be addressed, KSHEC constituted a committee to identify thrust areas.

Then the Chairman had taken up agenda for discussion. The Committee members reviewed the earlier proposals submitted by KSHEC to MHRD and suggested some modifications. It was decided to submit 7-8 proposals not exceeding Rs.15-20 Crores each and for Mathematics proposal the maximum limit would be Rs.5-7 Crores. For identifying specific areas and Principal Investigators & Co- Investigators, the following members of the Committee were assigned the responsibilities.

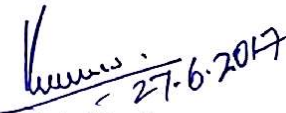
The details are given below:

| Sl. No. | General area of the proposed research                  | Coordinators   | No. of proposals to be submitted |
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| 1       | a)Animal Sciences & Biotechnology<br>b) Plant Sciences | Prof. S.R. Niranjana,<br>Gulbarga University, Kalaburgi          | 02                               |
| 2       | Inorganic and Physical Chemistry                       | Prof. K.Byrappa,<br>Mangalore University, Mangaluru              | 01                               |
| 3       | a)Mathematical Sciences<br>b) Physical Sciences        | Prof. Sharath Anantha Murthy,<br>Bangalore University, Bengaluru | 02                               |
| 4       | Engineering Sciences                                   | Dr. Indumathi T.S.,<br>Special Officer, KSHEC, Bengaluru         | 02                               |

It was decided to include young faculty researchers along with seniors while forming the team of Principal Investigator & Co- Investigators. It was also decided that the team should include potential faculty/researchers working in Public Universities, Government Colleges and Grant-in-Aid institutions across the State. The deadline for the submission of proposals along with concept note is 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2017 and the meeting of the Committee is scheduled tentatively on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2017 to review the submitted proposals. After the review the proposals are to be resubmitted with necessary suggested corrections to KSHEC on or before 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 which will enable KSHEC to submit the consolidated proposals to MHRD before 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

Members opined that the state should try to seek funds under Component 8 on other areas like Initiatives to attract top-rated international faculty; institutions that offer merit-based scholarships, fully-funded doctoral fellowships, post-doctoral fellowships; faculty and students exchange programs with world-class institutions etc.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chairman and the members.

  
(Dr. S.A. Kori)  
Executive Director, KSHEC &  
Chairman, RUSA TSG

To,

The Chairman and Members of the Committee.

Copies for information:

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2. PS to Vice-Chairman, KSHEC, Palace Road, Bengaluru – 560001.
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