

## Guidelines for submitting the proposals

- Proposals can be submitted at anytime of the year.
- Funds for approved proposals will be released only twice a year: April and October
- There is no maximum limit of funding.
- Number of projects with the PI should not exceed 2. Fresh research proposals can be considered only when the on-going research proposals are about to conclude.
- Proposals should be submitted in the prescribed format
- The manpower to be recruited should be as per MoES rules
- The overhead expenses will be given @10% of the yearly budget excluding the cost of permanent equipment.
- The PI should give Names of 5-6 Area Experts (*complete postal address, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses*)
- A short write up about the deliverables and how they are going to help in augmenting the mandate of MoES
- International travel is not permitted under the programme.
- The PI/Co\_PI will not be given any funds in the form of top-up salary, honorarium etc
- An undertaking to be given by the Head of the Institute, that idle capacity of the permanent equipment procured under the Project will be made available to other users of the host Institute or nearby Institutes
- Publication of results/presentation of papers should clearly acknowledge the funding from the Ministry of Earth Sciences.