

SUPPORT TO STUDENTS FOR PARTICIPATING IN COMPETITIONS ABROAD

1.1		Introduction
	(a)	For enhancing the quality of engineering education in the country and to inculcate the research, innovation and competition culture amongst the students.
	(b)	It is proposed to introduce the scheme to provide support for engineering students. The scheme aims for providing financial assistance to students in the field of technical education to compete at international scientific event.
1.2		Objectives
	(a)	The objective of the scheme is to provide travel assistance registration fees to a team of minimum 2 to 10 students for attending competition at international level in order to encourage engineering students to improve their field of technical education.
1.3		Eligibility
	(a)	Team of Students (2 to 10) in the field of technical education must be enrolled and undergoing a technical course notified by the council in a AICTE approved technical institutions.
	(b)	Students of B.E./B.Tech. and / or Integrated M. Tech, 1 st and 2 nd year students of M.E./M.Tech. who have an invitation for competition which has been accepted in the international scientific event abroad. Provided there is a national level event in which the team has won the top honours.
	(c)	The team of students will be eligible only once during the course of their study for financial support under the scheme.
	(d)	Nature and extent of financial support eligible under the scheme maximum Rupees one lakh per student. i) Air Fare. Actual fare not exceeding AC III Class train fare will be admissible for travel from the Technical Institutions approved by the Council to the nearest airport and back. ii) Registration and Visa Charges iii) Total Expenditure restricted to Rs. 1 Lakh per Candidate not exceeding 10 lakhs for 10 students. iv) Lodging & boarding.
1.4		Procedure to Apply for Assistance
	(a)	The application should be sent to AICTE New Delhi. The necessary enclosures such as, acceptance letter from the organizers of competition and the full details of the competition proposed to be presented shall be submitted at

		least two months prior to the commencement of the event. All assistance will be provided by AICTE to popularize the scheme.
	(b)	The submission of a proposal does not automatically mean that it has the approval of the AICTE. In case of two or more applications for the same competition only one application will be considered and priority will be given to the first author.
1.5		Submission of the Claim
	(a)	In order to ensure prompt action in releasing the grant, the applicants shall submit the following documents through their Head of the Institutes within one month after the international scientific competition event is over. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) A statement of account giving details of expenditure incurred on various items viz., travel, airport tax, registration fee and visa fee. ii) A technical report and a utilization certificate in the prescribed format from the technical institution approved by the Council/university auditor/chartered accountant for the total expenditure incurred on the visit. iii) The details of assistance received or facilities provided by the organizer of the competition of any other similar Indian/foreign agency. iv) The amount made available by the Technical Institution approved by the Council/University/State Government and other sources. v) Certificate of participation in the competition. vi) Conversion rate of the US dollar into Indian currency. (From any bank or other financial Institution). vii) Copy of related documents in which the team has won the top honours in the national event.
1.6		Financial Support
	(a)	Scheme will provide assistance of Rs. 1.00 Lakh as a package inclusive of all related expenses, to the eligible students as per the scheme without putting any barrier on head of expenditure.
1.7		Procedure for Approval of the Proposal
	(a)	The proposal(s) received duly completed in all respects will be evaluated by expert. Based on their recommendation, a final decision will be taken by the AICTE.
1.8		Procedure for release of grant
		The entire amount subject to a maximum one lac per student will be disbursed in one instalment after competition is over and relevant documents are submitted by the applicants/Institutes.