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UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI – 110 002

February, 2016

No. F.5-20/DRS-I/2016 (SAP-III)

To
The Registrar,
Tezpur University,
Napaam, Sonitpur,
Assam- 784 028

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Sub.: University Grants Commission Assistance to the selected department under Special Assistance Programme (SAP) – Induction of the **Department of Sociology, Tezpur University, Napaam, Sonitpur, Assam- 784 028** at the level of **DRS-I** for a period of 5 years (01-04-2016 to 31-03-2021).

Sir,

1. This has reference to the departmental profile and proposal submitted by the Department of **Sociology** of your university for consideration to support under Special Assistance Programme (SAP) of the UGC as per revised guidelines of the Programme.
2. The UGC-Special Assistance Programme (SAP) is intended through constant efforts to raise the quality of teaching/research in different disciplines in Humanities, Social Science and Science subjects, Engineering & Technology department carefully selected on the basis of their work, academic achievement and viable potential for further development. The essence and primary aim of the scheme is combination of teaching and research to encourage group research efforts in pursuit of excellence.
3. The proposal of the Department of **Sociology** was examined by the Expert Committee on **18th May, 2015**. After a very careful and critical in-depth examination of the academic achievements of the department, as given in the departmental profile, the Expert Committee recommended the department for consideration by the Commission to support the department at the level of **DRS-I**.
4. The UGC has approved the **Department of Sociology** for induction under Special Assistance Programme at the level of **DRS-I** for a period of **five years from 01-04-2016 to 31-03-2021**.
5. On the basis of the recommendations of the Expert Committee, I am directed to convey approval of the University Grants Commission for induction under Special Assistance Programme at the level of **DRS-I** for a duration of **5 years** with the following thrust area(s) for research and teaching.

Thrust Area Identified

- Migration and the Politics of Identity.
- Sociology of North East India.
- Tribal Studies/Studies on Health and Education.

As recommended by the Expert Committee, the Coordinator & the Deputy Coordinator of Programme for the present phase of the Programme will be as indicated below:

Name of Coordinator: - Prof. Chandan Kumar Sharma.

Name of Deputy Coordinator:- Prof. Kedilezo Kikhi.

The Coordinator may continue till the end of the present duration of the programme or till his superannuation.

6. The financial assistance approved for implementing the present phase at the level of DRS-I for duration of 5 years (01/04/2016 to 31/03/2021) is given below : -

S. No.	Non-Recurring (Items)	Rs. (In Lakh)
1.	Equipment (Computers, Printers, Cameras, TV, Air-conditioner, Voice-recorders)	6.00
	TOTAL	6.00
S.No.	Recurring	
1.	Contingency/Working expenses @ Rs.1,00,000/- p.a.	5.00
2.	Travel/Field facilities/Field trips for Faculty members only (all within India Only) @Rs.80,000/- p.a.	4.00
3.	Visiting Fellows @Rs.70,000/- p.a.	3.50
4.	Seminars (for organization) on thrust area @ Rs. 1,20,000/- p.a.	6.00
5.	Hiring the services of Technical/Industrial/Secretarial assistance as relevant to the programme (for programme duration only) @Rs.50,000/- p.a.	2.50
6.	Advisory Committee meetings (TA/DA for UGC nominee in the committee) @Rs.60,000/- p.a.	3.00
7.	Books and Journals @ Rs.2,00,000/- p.a.	10.00
	Total	34.00

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University is to maintain a separate savings bank account for the grants released under Special Assistance Programme. All interest earned by the university/department by investment of funds earned and by the UGC under Special Assistance Programme will be treated as additional income of the University/ Department will have to submit the Utilization Certificate of the earned interest (after prior approval of Advisory Committee), at the time of submitting the annual reports for the programme.

University/ Department may follow the SAP Guidelines posted on the UGC website.

University/Institute may follow the norms for appointment of Programme Coordinator and Programme Coordinator (no Joint Coordinator or Coordinator) and also constitute an Advisory Committee as per the guidelines of the Commission which can be downloaded from UGC website www.ugc.ac.in and follow the terms of reference of the Advisory Committee to ensure effective implementation and monitoring of the Programme. The constitution of the Advisory Committee is mandatory for all departments which are being supported under SAP. The UGC nominees in the Advisory Committee will be as indicated below. The departments may contact the UGC nominees for their assistance and intimate the Commission.

- 1) Prof. Tiplut Nongbri, CSSS, SSS-II, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi – 110 067, Mob : 09868496487.
- 2) Prof. N. Jayaram (Retd.), Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai – 400 088, Mob : 09535766565.

Active participation of the UGC nominees in each meeting of the Advisory Committee is essential. The composition and terms & reference of the Advisory Committee will be as given in UGC website www.ugc.ac.in.

University/Institute/Department is requested to take immediate steps to submit the following information/documents for necessary action:

- 1) Acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grants duly signed by the Registrar of the University/Institute.
- 2) Name of the competent University Officer with full address and other bank details in a mandate form) the prescribed enclosed proforma so that the fund can be transferred electronically.

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"The University/ Institution/College is strictly following the UGC Regulations on curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 2009".

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Renu Batra)
Joint Secretary

Please see SAP guidelines on UGC website www.ugc.ac.in.

forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

Prof. Chandan Kumar Sharma,
Programme Coordinator (DRS-I),
Department of Sociology,
Tezpur University, Napaam, Sonitpur,
Assam- 784 028.

For information to:

The P.S. to Vice Chancellor,
Tezpur University, Napaam, Sonitpur,
Assam- 784 028.

The Head, Department of Sociology,
Tezpur University, Napaam, Sonitpur,
Assam- 784 028.

The Secretary to the State Government of
Assam, Department of Education, Napaam, Sonitpur.

Prof. Tiplut Nongbri, CSSS, SSS-II, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi – 110 067.

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(Smita Bidani)
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