



Government of India
Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)
R&D in IT Group

Call for project proposals for Innovative R&D in emerging areas of Information Technology (IT)

R&D in IT Group, MeitY invites proposals in thrust areas as outlined below with focus on innovation & indigenous technology development and demonstration leading to commercialisation.

The thrust areas of R&D in IT Group include Emerging Areas of Information Technology (IT), Blockchain, Data Analytics, Quantum Technologies, IoT, Green Computing, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Perception Engineering, etc..

The R&D project proposals for financial support may be submitted by Scientists/ Engineers/ Technologists/ Management specialists and faculty members working in Universities/ Academic institutions/ Registered Scientific Societies/ R&D institutions/ Laboratories/ Autonomous R&D organizations of the Government having adequate infrastructural facilities to carry out R&D activities.

It may be apparent that Electronics & IT domain are fast developing and in order to bringing the research results directly deployable, the project proposal could be multi-institutional consortium mode, with defined milestones/ timelines and roles of individual institutions. The Project proposals should have clear objectives, scope, outcome and quantifiable deliverables. The consortium proposal(s) with Researchers, Industry, Start-up and User agencies participating in the development of end-to-end technologies/ systems/ solutions for various challenges using above mentioned technological areas are need to be evolved.

The projects should be time-bound normally for duration of 2-3 years depending upon the instruments/technologies to be developed

The shortlisted project proposals will be considered for funding mainly in the current financial year i.e. 2021-22.

An Expert Group (Working Group on R&D in IT) would consider the proposals and carry out technical & financial evaluation and accordingly recommend for financial support by MeitY. Appraised projects are processed further based on the recommendations of WG and the priority areas of the ministry.

Project proposals (**3 hard copies**) in the standard application format, available on MeitY website (meity.gov.in), may be sent by the Chief Investigator (CI), duly forwarded by the Head of the Institution, to: **Dr. B. K. Murthy, Scientist 'G' & Group Coordinator / Shri Manoj Jain, Scientist 'F'**, R&D in IT Group, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), Electronics Niketan, 6, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi -110003. **Soft copy** (in MS Word) of the R&D proposal is essential and need to be submitted by email to bkm@meity.gov.in & mjain@meity.gov.in.

**The last date for submitting the project proposals is
31st August (Tuesday), 2021.**