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Regarding Proposal for the use of Foldscope as a Research Tool

2 messages

Foldscope <foldscope.dbt@nic.in>

Wed, Mar 28, 2018 at 12:23 PM

To: mpsep15@gmail.com

Dear **Madhamanchi Pradeep**,

We are pleased to inform you that your application titled "**Effect of Commercial Detergents on Mitotic Index of onion root tips**" has been approved for funding by the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India.

The Department has granted **Rs 8.00 lakhs** for a period of 1 year for implementation of the project. The grant will be disbursed by NER-BPMC/BCIL in two installments. The second installment will be released after 6 months, subject to submission of scientific progress report of the use of Foldscopes and utilization of the funds.

A workshop will be organised in the week of **16th April 2018**, for training on assembly and use of Foldscope at New Delhi. Foldscopes will also be disbursed during this workshop. The TA/DA and Logistics support for the meeting is to be met from the travel grant as provided under your project.

We look forward to seeing you at the workshops. Please drop a line in confirmation for your participation in the workshop latest by April 2, 2018, so that necessary arrangements can be made.

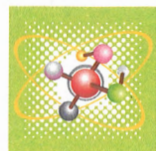
With best regards,
Department of Biotechnology
Foldscope Team

CC:-

- 1) Dr. Shailja V. Gupta, Scientist 'G', DBT
- 2) Dr. Vaishali Panjabi, Scientist 'D', DBT



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BT/IN/Indo-US/Foldscope/39/2015

April 20th, 2018

Dear Sir/Madam,

This is in continuation of sanction order no. BT/IN/Indo-US/Foldscope/39/2015 dated 20.03.2018 for the Foldscope project and regarding the release of grant to your organisation along with Foldscopes.

Following are the guidelines for utilisation of funds under various budget heads, reporting of progress and twinning with North Eastern Region (NER):

1. All the Foldscope coordinators are requested to register themselves using unique 12 digit code given with each foldscope at <http://microcosmos.foldscope.com/>. This would work as a single platform to contribute ideas, progress, problems and teach others. *A message should also be posted on the website using hash tag: #Indiafoldscopephase1.*
2. All the progress reports and pictures, videos, etc coming out of use of Foldscopes should mandatorily be posted on <http://microcosmos.foldscope.com/>. Each and every Foldscope should be registered under this portal along with pictures, videos etc. to be eligible for balance 2nd ^{release} grant from DBT.
3. All the coordinators are requested to twin their projects with North Eastern partner institutions and vice versa. The NE partner may be chosen on their own or special request can be made to the team foldscope: foldscope.dbt@nic.in
4. Amount sanctioned under Consumable head can also be used for purchase of some perishable items such as smart phones, cheap tablets, etc. with information to DBT through the team Foldscope email: foldscope.dbt@nic.in
5. The Travel grant must be utilized for travel of coordinators and students for field visit with your twinning partner in the North Eastern Region and vice versa.
6. Contingency grant can be utilized for any kind of expenditure required for the use of Foldscope.
7. You are authorised to re-appropriate funds under heads up to the limit of maximum Rs. 1.00 lakhs and the same should be mentioned in the statement of expenditure at the time of submission.
8. The starting date of the project is as per the date of transfer of funds. However, we may give you a grace period of one month considering time taken in administrative procedures at our end.

(This is applicable for Category B only) ↓

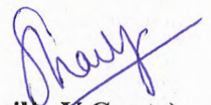
9. The manpower grant should be utilized for hiring of JRF/Project Assistant/Lab Assistant as per norms followed by your host institutions (if state governments statutory norms are there for hiring of manpower, you may please follow those rules). If you do not need to hire manpower and utilize services of your existing manpower, you may utilize funds under manpower head for other purposes such as more field visits, visits to twinning partner's institutions, outreach workshops for Foldscope use etc.

We would like to bring to your kind notice that those have not yet received grant, particularly private institutions/NGOs will receive sanctioned grant shortly since their documents are being verified as per GoI guidelines before release of grant.

Please find attached herewith a copy of Memorandum of Agreement, Utilization Certificate, Statement of Expenditure and Manpower Certificate which you may please submit after six months.

All further queries will be addressed to Ms. Ashna at Team Foldscope: foldscope.dbt@nic.in and phone: 011-2321 9064 - 67 Extension No. 215.

With regards,



(Shailja V Gupta)
Adviser