

# Seed Money Research Grants Policy

## Notification to Call for Research Proposal Applications: Seed Money Research Grants (For Internal Faculty Members Only)

Applications are invited from eligible permanent faculty members of St. Xavier's College, Simdega, for Seed Money Research Grants to foster research initiatives. These grants, awarded on the recommendation of the Research and Development Cell (R&D Cell), is intended to support original research projects by providing permanent faculty members with the essential resources to initiate their scholarly and intellectual quests.

### Application Objectives:

- To encourage scholars to initiate research publications.
- To support projects that contribute to the advancement of knowledge in their respective fields.
- To foster interdisciplinary and innovative research initiatives.

### Grant Details:

- **Grant Amount:** Rupees 25,000/- each.
- **Tenure:** 12 months from the date of sanction of the project.

### Eligibility Criteria:

- Only regular (permanent) faculty members of the college are eligible to apply.
- Maximum Age Limit: **64 Years**.

### Financial Assistance:

- The Seed Money Research Grants would not support engaging research fellows.
- A maximum of 30% of the grant may be used for travel assistance, including the TA incurred to attend any national/international seminar/conference/symposium/workshop related to the project work.
- Up to 70% may be used for academic assistance.



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### Selection Process:

- An evaluation committee comprising of senior faculty members of St. Xavier's College, Simdega, would review the Seed Money Grants proposals. The proposal may be sent to at least two external subject experts for evaluation.

### Project Outcomes and Obligations:

- **Publications:** Minimum of one research paper in an SCI/Scopus/Peer-Reviewed journal/Book Chapter with ISBN and one in the SXCS e-ISSN journal.
- **Presentations:** Minimum of one research paper presentation at a National/International seminar/conference/symposium and one presentation within SXCS.
- **Final Report Submission:** Must be submitted (both hard and soft copies) to the Principal's Office through the R&D Cell within one month of completion of the project.

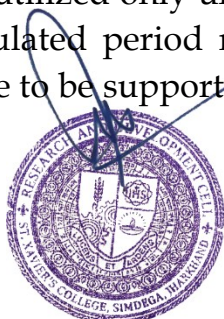
### The Final Report must include:


1. **Project Report:** Cover page (Title, Investigators, Duration), Research Synopsis, Limitations/Challenges, and Main Findings.
2. **Financials:** Details of fund utilization, including expenditure heads and supporting bills/vouchers.
3. **Evidence:** Copies of all published papers and presentation certificates as specified above. Minimum Research Requirements:
  1. Published Research Paper-1-General
  2. Published Research paper-2-eISSN-SXCS
  3. Plageria Tested Repor-1 & 2
  4. Research Presentation-1-General
  5. Research Presentation -2-SXCS

Research Project completion/ Mid-term/ Progress Report will be evaluated by expert panel (consisting of internal and external panel).

### Utilisation of Seed Money:

- Funds must be utilized only under approved expenditure heads and within the stipulated period mentioned in the sanction letter. The expenditures are to be supported with valid bills and vouchers.



  
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- Any unspent amount must be returned to the college account within the same financial year.
- All equipment(s) and books purchased using seed money would remain assets of the department/ college.
- The project is non-transferable in any case.
- If the principal investigator fails to complete the project, he/she has to refund the entire amount released.
- No extensions will be permitted under any circumstances.
- The decisions of the R&D Cell screening committee shall be final.

### Compliance and Ethics:

• Faculty must conduct their projects in compliance with ethical guidelines, research integrity, and relevant regulations.

• Projects involving human subjects or animals must receive appropriate ethical approvals before commencing

### Research Proposal:

Applicants should apply in the prescribed format indicating the aims and objectives, uniqueness of the project, societal relevance, innovative research, expected outcome and duration.

### Application Guidelines:

Interested faculty members are requested to submit their proposal adhering to the following requirements:

- **Format:** Please adhere to Annexure-I & II
- **Required Documents:** A detailed biodata of the applicant
- **Submission Mode:** Proposals must be submitted to the R&D Cell, SXCS by hand or via email to [rdcsxcs@gmail.com](mailto:rdcsxcs@gmail.com)

### Important Dates:


Call for Proposals: 01-05-2026

Deadline for Submission: 20-06-2026 (Time: 11:59 PM)

Announcement of Selected Proposals: 01-07-2026

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