Sanction Letter for TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group (PhD, PG, UG) Fellowship Program 2021-22

Date: 12/01/2022

Doc No.: TIH-IoT/12/2022/CHANAKYA/Group/Sanction Letter/ 005

To,

Dr. Vinay S. Palaparthy.
Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology (DAIICT)

DAIICT Road, Reliance Cross Rd,
Gandhinagar, Gujarat 382007

Dear Dr. Vinay,

With reference to your application and subsequent screening, we are pleased to inform you that your project proposal titled '*IoT Enabled, Self-Calibrating and Self-Healing Sensor System for In-situ Agriculture Applications'*, has been selected for the **TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group (PhD, PG & UG) Fellowship Program, 2021-2022**, being implemented by TIH Foundation for IoT and IoE, IIT Bombay (TIH-IoT).

1) The project has been approved for a grant not exceeding an aggregate amount of **Rs Twenty-Eight Lakhs Ten Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty only. (28, 10,560/-)** for a duration of **4 years and 0 months**, starting **January 17, 2022 to be executed at the** host institute, **Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology (DAIICT)** The project duration can be extended for a maximum period of one year or till the completion of the degree of the PhD student, whichever is lesser.

2) The students proposed by you to work on the project, will be entitled to the TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group (PhD, PG & UG) fellowship based on the following guidelines:
    a) PhD Student - Rs **31,000 per month** for the first & the second year of PhD, and **Rs 35,000 per month** for the third, the fourth and the fifth year (if approved) of PhD. PhD student will also be entitled to HRA at the rate of 24% of the fellowship amount.
    b) PG Student **- Rs 12,400** per month up-to 2 years
    c) UG Student - **Rs 10,000/-** per month up-to 10 months

    Additionally, support for the project in the form of a Project Development Fund of up-to Rs **2,00,000/-** will be provided (not to be utilized for Capital Expenditure).

3) The details of the grant and annual disbursal schedule is mentioned in table 1 below:

Table 1: Year-wise breakup of the total Grant amount.

S No	Nature of Grant	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Total Amount (INR)
		Amount (INR)	Amount (INR)	Amount (INR)	Amount (INR)	
1	Fellowship	8,69,600	5,20,800	4,20,000	4,20,000	22,30,400
2	HRA @24% only for PhD student	89,280	89,280	1,00,800	1,00,800	3,80,160
3	Project Development Fund	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	2,00,000
	Total (INR)	10,08,880	6,60,080	5,70,800	5,70,800	28,10,560

4) The breakup of the individual grant is as follows:

a) PhD fellowship shall be awarded as per table 2 from **17 January 2022** for a period of **4 years** or till the end of the project or the completion of the degree of the student, whichever is earlier.

Table 2: Year-wise breakup of the grant for PhD student.

S No	Name of the Student	Grant Detail	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
			Amount (INR)	Amount (INR)	Amount (INR)	Amount (INR)
1.	Kamlesh S Patle	Fellowship	3,72,000	3,72,000	4,20,000	4,20,000
		HRA @24%	89,280	89,280	1,00,800	1,00,800

b) The PG fellowship shall be awarded as per table 3 from **17 January 2022** till the completion of the project or the completion of the degree of the student, whichever is earlier.

Table 3: Year-wise breakup of the grant for PG students.

S No	Name of the student	Grant Detail	Year 1	Year 2
			Amount (INR)	Amount (INR)
1.	Yash Kumar Rajinikanth Sheth	Fellowship	Rs 148,800/-	Rs 74,400/-
2.	Sukruti Rakesh Shah	Fellowship	Rs 148,800/-	Rs 74,400/-

c) The UG scholarship shall be awarded as per table 4 from **17 January 2022** for a period of **10 months** or till the end of the project or completion of the degree of the student, whichever is earlier.

Table 4: Year-wise breakup of the grant for UG students.

S No	Name of the student	Grant Detail	Year 1 Amount (INR)
1	Paavan Parekh	Scholarship	1,00,000
2	Prabhav Shah	Scholarship	1,00,000

1) The grant for the first and subsequent years as mentioned in Table-1, will be released by TIH-IoT under the TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group Fellowship Program 2021-22 after receiving acceptance of this letter, to

The Executive Registrar,
Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology
A/c No.:016501020911, IFSC Code: ICIC0000165
Bank: ICICI BANK LTD,
Address: Plot No. 315, Near GH-4 Circle, Sector-16, Gandhinagar – 382016,

A. **Roles & Responsibilities:**

1) You and the student group shall carry out the activities of the project and conform to the specified objectives, outputs, milestones, and targets as stipulated in the project proposal submitted by you.
2) You shall duly acknowledge the assistance by TIH-IoT while publishing or presenting in any manner the details of the project, its progress or its success, by mentioning the TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group (PhD, PG & UG) Fellowship Program, 2021-22 and the grant number.
3) The students, unless permitted by TIH-IoT in writing, shall not accept any other government fellowship/scholarship while they are in receipt of the TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group (PhD, PG & UG) Fellowship of TIH-IoT.
4) You shall submit the project progress report to TIH-IoT along with the financial status, in the prescribed format for the purpose of project monitoring whenever asked.

B. **Verification of particulars:**

1) The engagement of the students and faculty supervisor/mentor in TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group Fellowship Program is substantially based on original and authentic information, testimonial, documents and undertaking disclosed/submitted by the faculty

supervisor/mentor, which are required to be submitted before joining the fellowship or may be called upon to do so subsequently.

2) The TIH-IoT shall be within its right(s) to verify the genuineness/correctness of such information at any time now or in future. If it is found at any stage that the information provided is incorrect or some information is concealed/suppressed, then the grant and the engagement hereunder will be automatically cancelled.

C. **Termination/Separation:**

1) TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group Fellowship shall expire after the approved project duration or completion of the project or completion of the degree of the PhD student, whichever is earlier or in the event it is terminated by TIH-IoT at its sole determination.

2) During the stipulated period, if the progress of the project or conduct or performance of students is found unsatisfactory, the grant shall be discontinued without any notice and without assigning any reason(s) thereof.

3) In the event of breach of any of the terms & conditions of grant,
    a) TIH-IoT reserves the right to claim liquidated damages from you, apart from other damages.
    b) TIH-IoT also reserves the right to terminate TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group Fellowship grant without giving any notice.
    c) TIH-IoT (entirely at its discretion) also reserves the right to recover any monies/funds/damages that flow or result from such termination.
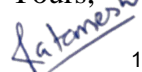
D. **General Terms & Conditions:**

1) TIH-IoT CHANAKYA Group (PhD, PG & UG) Fellowship Grant is non-transferrable in nature.

2) All the correspondence(s), communications by TIH-IoT herein after, shall be made either personally, through email or at the institute address given by you, at any one of the places at the discretion and convenience of TIH-IoT.

3) The students have been engaged as "TIH-IoT CHANAKYA fellow/intern" by the TIH-IoT under the CHANAKYA program funded by Department of Science and Technology under the NM-ICPS and therefore in addition to the terms of this Sanction letter, you shall also adhere to and abide by any rules, ordinances, guidelines, directions issued by DST from time to time.

4) You shall submit utilization certificate and audited statement of expenditure at the end of each financial year.

5) Subsequent release of grant under the project shall be considered based on the financial record submitted by you.

6) At the end of the project, you shall submit an audited statement of accounts of the entire grant received, countersigned by the finance officer of the institute. Unspent balance, if

any, shall be refunded/returned to the following account: **TIH Foundation for IoT & IoE Account No.: 039758371907, IFSC code: SBIN0001109.**

7) The terms and conditions of this letter are strictly confidential and should be treated as privileged information between you and TIH-IoT.
8) Decision of the COO/CEO, TIH-IoT, shall be final and binding in case of any dispute(s)/difference(s) between yourself and TIH-IoT, concerning or relating to or arising out of your engagement and shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of Mumbai.
9) In the case of any ambiguity or conflict or inconsistency between this sanction letter and any other previous communication between you and TIH-IoT on the same subject matter, the provisions of this sanction letter shall take precedence.
10) You need to provide your acceptance of the terms and conditions as mentioned in this Sanction letter by returning the duplicate copy duly e-signed by you, to the TIH-IoT office *(Email: chanakya-iot@tihiitb.org)*.

We wish you and your students all the success for the completion of the project.

Yours,

12/01/22

Signature

Ratanesh Srivastava
Chief Operating Officer,
TIH Foundation for IoT and IoE, IIT Bombay

I have carefully read and fully understood the terms and conditions of the sanction letter no' TIH-IoT/12/2022/CHANAKYA/Group/Sanction Letter/ 005' issued on 12/01/2022 and hereby accept the same.

Signature:

Name:

Date: