

**THE TUBERCULOSIS ASSOCIATION OF INDIA**

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**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SHORT TERM RESEARCH PROJECTS (2020-21)**

The Tuberculosis Association of India (TAI) provides financial assistance to short term research projects on topics/fields which are in line with those proposed to be taken at our Annual National Conference (NATCON). This year's NATCON to be held at Indore in Madhya Pradesh from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> December 2020 may broadly take up the following topics:

1. Epidemiology of TB
2. RNTCP, HIV-TB, MDR-TB, XDR-TB
3. Pneumonia, COPD and Asthma
4. TB Diagnostics – Genome and Sequencing
5. Sleep-Disordered Breathing
6. Public & Private Partnership for DOTS Implementation
7. Tobacco & Lung Health
8. Paediatric Tuberculosis
9. Bird Flu (Avian Influenza)
10. Surgery in Pulmonary Tuberculosis
11. Advocacy, Communication and Social Mobilization (ACSM)
12. Socio-behavioral studies in HIV and TB
13. Lung Health
14. TB & Diabetes
15. Pulmonary rehabilitation
16. Information Technology in Respiratory Diseases
17. Indoor and outdoor Pollution
18. Air borne infection control
19. Nutrition and TB
20. Geriatric TB
21. Newer Technology in TB
22. Universal access to TB Care
23. Role of Civil Society in TB prevention and cure
24. Role of nurses and Para-medics in tuberculosis control
25. Non-tuberculosis Mycobacteria
26. Extra-pulmonary tuberculosis
27. Newer drugs and vaccines
28. Genetics and Immunology in Tuberculosis
29. Artificial Intelligence and Respiratory Diseases

The financial assistance up to Rs.50,000/- to each is provided to the selected projects. The researcher (applicant) is expected to complete the project within three months of the approval\* thereof by TAI. The amount sanctioned is released in two installments, the first on approval\* and the second on successful submission of progress being made (from after a month of release of first installment).

**\*The successful applicants will be required to provide Ethical Clearance of their institutions for the project. The approval will be subject to sending (before release of funds) a consent of the researcher that he or she will be able to do this research project within the amount sanctioned.**

All medical students and doctors are eligible for submitting short term research projects. The proposed project must be forwarded/recommended by the Dean, HOD, Principal of the medical college/institution where the researcher proposes to conduct research. The project can also be forwarded through our State TB Associations.

The research proposals in the prescribed application form (downloadable from our website given below) duly approved/recommended/forwarded by the Head of the Department/Dean of the Institution, Principal of Medical College, State TB Association, Chief Guide, etc. (scanned), **including the advance copy thereof, must essentially be sent by e-mail only,**

The results/findings of the research may be used by the TAI for publication in its Indian Journal of Tuberculosis. So it may not be given/disclosed by the researcher to any one without the prior permission of TAI.

For any further technical support or question, the applicant can communicate with Vice-Chairman (Publications & Research), Prof. V.K. Arora, e-mail: [vijavkumar1945@gmail.com](mailto:vijavkumar1945@gmail.com).

**Last date for submission of research proposals is 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2020, 12:00 afternoon. The final decision on grant of funds will be made by a committee set up for the purpose.**

**It will be appreciated if you can kindly bring this to the notice of one and all, by giving wide publicity. You may kindly get it displayed in the Notice Board of your Medical College/Institution.**

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