

Indo-U.S. Virtual Networked Centers

Budget Guidelines:

To encourage joint project implementation through networking, IUSSTF grant-in-aid is awarded for a period of two years. The budget should be under INR 50 Lakhs for a two-year center.

The budget majorly caters to the component of connectivity among the partnering institutions i.e. largely the exchange of faculty and students. The funds would include:

1. Round-trip international airfare
2. Per-diem (Subsistence Allowance)
3. Accommodation
4. Related Travel Costs
5. Contingencies

The following guidelines should be considered while submitting the budget details:

- A. Travel: The air tickets will be facilitated by IUSSTF Travel desk by economy class and shortest route not exceeding INR 1,00,000/- per round-trip visit. Any additional cost would have to be borne by applicant(s).
- B. **I. Per-diem (Subsistence Allowance)** - Towards daily allowance to cover living expenses

U.S. Researchers to India:

Faculty		Students / Post-docs	
Upto 14 days	Upto 21 days	Upto 14 days	Upto 30 days
Rs. 3,000 Per day	Rs. 2,000 Per Day	Rs. 1,500 Per Day	Rs. 1,000 Per Day

Indian Researchers to U.S.:

Faculty		Students / Post-docs	
Upto 14 days	Upto 21 days	Upto 14 days	Upto 30 days
USD 75 Per day	USD 50 Per Day	USD 50 Per Day	USD 35 Per Day

II. Accommodation

U.S. Researchers to India:

Faculty		Students / Post-docs	
Upto 14 days	Upto 21 days	Upto 14 days	Upto 30 days
Rs. 4,500 Per day	Rs. 3,000 Per Day	Rs. 1,500 Per Day	Rs. 1,000 Per Day

Indian Researchers to U.S.:

Faculty		Students / Post-docs	
Up-to 14 days	Upto 21 days	Up-to 14 days	Upto 30 days
USD 150 Per Day	USD 100 Per Day	USD 130 Per Day	USD 75 Per Day

- III. **Related Travel Cost** – is provided to cover the expenditure incurred towards Visa fees, Travel/Medical Insurance, Airport Transfers and other costs @ **USD 250** per visit for both Indian and US Resrachers.
- IV. **Contingencies** – **To administer the Networked Center, an amount of Rs. 1.0 lakh** towards dissemination of Research, educational materials, reports and management may be provided on a need basis which will also cover any deficiencies arising due to devaluation of the rupee against the dollar. However, this limit should not exceed INR 1,00,000/-.

Note: Exchange Rate considered as 1 USD = INR 65/-. Grant-in-aid will be released at the prevailing exchange rate as on that date.