





INDIA – ISRAEL INITIATIVE FOR INDUSTRIAL R&D (i4RD) A Bilateral Framework Providing Financial Support for Collaborative Industrial R&D Ventures between Indian and Israeli Companies INFORMATION & GUIDELINES FOR INDIAN APPLICATIONS

JOINT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – JUNE 2013

Indian Implementation Agency	Indian Funding Ministry/Department	Israeli Funding Ministry/Department	Israeli Implementation Agency
 <p>GLOBAL INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY ALLIANCE</p>	 <p>Department of Science & Technology Government of India</p>	 <p>OCS-Office of the Chief Scientist MINISTRY OF ECONOMY</p>	 <p>מתימו"פ MATIMOP מרכז התעשייה הישראלית למחקר ופיתוח Israeli Industry Center For R&D</p>
Name of the Programme	India-Israel Initiative for Industrial R&D (i4RD) Programme		
Applications invited for	Collaborative industrial R&D Projects - A Bilateral Framework providing financial support for collaborative industrial R&D ventures between Indian and Israeli industry		
Important Dates	Announcement Date of Request for Proposal: June 15, 2013 Submission Date of i4RD Application Form : October 15, 2013 (extended till November 30, 2013) Release of Request for Proposal Results: April 15, 2014 (tentative)		
Who Can Apply?	<p>It is mandatory that minimum one industry from India jointly with minimum one industry from Israel should apply for one project proposal. It is encouraged that industry applicants from both countries have Institution partners from their respective countries.</p> <p>Eligible Indian Applicants Eligible <u>Indian Applicant</u> should be Indian companies, registered in India under Indian Companies Act 1956 with a minimum of 51 percent Indian ownership. The Indian applicant should be headquartered and operate in India. Sole proprietors, partnership firms and subsidiaries of firms headquartered and owned outside India are not eligible for support under this programme.</p> <p>The Indian Applicant must have an R&D Center, recognised by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), Government of India; if not registered, the firm should undertake the process to get the R&D Center DSIR-recognised within 12 months of the application under i⁴RD.</p> <p>Eligible Israeli Applicants Eligible applicants will be R&D performing Israeli registered companies operating in Israel.</p>		
Focus Areas of Proposals to be funded	<p>This Request for Proposal (RFP) is open to all projects based on merit that include science and technology (S&T) development leading to commercial success, social good and benefit to both countries. There is, however, a specific focus on the following technology areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Renewable Energy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Off-Grid Micro Solar Systems <input type="checkbox"/> Large Scale Solar Systems <input type="checkbox"/> Biomass Based Power <input type="checkbox"/> Smart Grids ■ Water Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Water Treatment technologies: Water Reuse & Recycling, Desalination <input type="checkbox"/> Water Supply & Distribution: Water Leak Detection, Loss Reduction ■ Affordable Healthcare <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Invasive Diagnostic Devices, particularly for Women & Children Health (Anaemia, Nutrition) & Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> ICT Applications for Medicine / Healthcare 		
Funding Support to be provided to successful applicants	<p>In India GITA will fund the Indian Project Partners once recommended. All successful projects will have at least 50% industry R&D component. The active participation of industry will be assessed from the project budget and the R&D performed by the company.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Funding will be limited to 50% of the total eligible national cost of the project with a limit of USD 250,000/ INR 125 Lakhs (approx) per project ○ Industry may receive up to 50% of its part of eligible national cost by way of returnable soft loan repayable upon successful completion of the project <p>In Israel . The total funding from the Government of Israel via the Office of the Chief Scientist (OCS) will be provided in the form of a soft loan and will not exceed 50% of the eligible and approved costs of the R&D, in accordance with the national laws and regulations.</p>		

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Key Criteria of Selection	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The project should be innovative aiming to lead to a new product or process with clear commercial potential and should have at least two science and technology companies from respective countries with a desire to cooperate in R&D activities2. The project work should have development activities both in India and in Israel3. The project period to be 1-3 years and it should indicate a clear commercialisation of a product/ process4. The industry partners from both the countries should contribute, together at-least 50% of the total project cost5. The project partners should agree in advance on their roles, contributions, sharing of IP rights and commercialization strategy of the product or process.
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