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Competitive Research Grant Application 2025 Application Form

SECTION A:

A1. Project Title		
A2. Research areas		
A3. Investigators		
A.3.1. Principal Investigator Name and Designation Institution	Mailing address Telephone: Fax: E-mail:	
A.3.2. Co-investigator – 1 Name and Designation Institution	Mailing address Telephone: Fax: E-mail;	
A.3.3. Co-investigator – 2 Name and Designation Institution	Mailing address Telephone: Fax: E-mail:	

A.3.3. Co-investigator – 3 Name and Designation Institution		Mailing address Telephone: Fax: E-mail:	
A4. Collaborators			
Names, and Designations	Institution	Mode of Collaboration	
A5. Budget requirements:			
A5.1 Total Budget :			
A.5.2 Budget for First Year :			
A.5.3 Project Period :			
A6. Relevant Department where research is to be performed			
A7. Is this a continuation of an on-going project?		Period for which the grant is required:-	
If not, expected starting date:-			
A8. Financial Support			
(a) Is the proposed research currently being supported by any other grant? If so, please indicate the name of granting organization and give the amount and duration (b) Is this application currently being considered elsewhere for funding? If so, by what organization/s; by what date is a decision expected? (c) Reasons why the proposed activity cannot be included in the Faculty Research Grant scheme?			
A9. Have you received any grant under Competitive Research Grants Scheme of OUSL: Yes/No If yes, please give the following details: (a) Year: (b) Completed/Not completed/In progress: (c) Expected year of completion:			
A10. Other commitments of the applicant (please indicate the periods/durations as applicable)			
(a) Holding substantial Positions in addition to teaching (No. of hours per week) (b) Leave abroad, with period			

(Study leave, Sabbatical leave etc.)

(c) Other research activities in progress for which the applicant/s is/are responsible as principal investigator or co-investigator

Title of Project	Source of Support	Duration of Support Dates From To

*The Principal Investigator must be an employee of the Open University of Sri Lanka, receiving the grant.

SECTION B

Project

B1.Title (To be specific within the area of research - maximum 60 characters)

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B2.Abstract (Provide a summary of your research proposal)

Please do not exceed this space

B3. Introduction (Provide a critical evaluation on the status of research in the proposed field along with relevant references).

B4. Research Project

B4.1. Research Objectives:

B4.2 Research Outputs and Outcomes:

B4.3 Relevance and impact of research outputs and outcomes to national / socio economic development of Sri Lanka (*e.g.: Poverty alleviation, Improving wellbeing of the people's health, Food security, Water security etc., Social equity & National Security, Social harmony, High tech industry, Manufacturing industry, Service industry, Agro industries etc.*)

B4.4 Define specific research activities to be pursued during the project period and provide a comprehensive description of the techniques to be used and the advantages of the suggested methodological approach. Please include any selected relevant references. Please also provide a brief justification for the use of particular equipment.

B4.5. Time schedule

(Specify work elements within the time frame of the project)

B4.6. Facilities available in the relevant Department laboratory

(Provide a detailed list of the infrastructure and equipment **available and necessary** for the proposed research)

B 4.7. Human resources requirements for the successful execution of the project:

(Provide human resources available for the project with respect to the areas of expertise by each member of the research team on the following)

Principal Investigator: *Names and affiliations should not be stated*

- (a) Knowledge and research experience in the area related to the project.**
- (b) Commitments during the tenure of the project**
- (c) Leave abroad: (study leave/vacation leave/sabbatical leave etc./Retirement:**

Co-Investigator-1: *Names and affiliations should not be stated*

- (a) Knowledge and research experience in the area related to the project.**
- (b) Commitments during the tenure of the project**
- (c) Leave abroad: (study leave/vacation leave/sabbatical leave etc./Retirement:**

Co-Investigator-2: *Names and affiliations should not be stated*

- (a) Knowledge and research experience in the area related to the project.**
- (b) Commitments during the tenure of the project**
- (c) Leave abroad: (study leave/vacation leave/sabbatical leave etc./Retirement:**

Co-Investigator-3: *Names and affiliations should not be stated*

- (a) Knowledge and research experience in the area related to the project.**
- (b) Commitments during the tenure of the project**
- (c) Leave abroad: (study leave/vacation leave/sabbatical leave etc./Retirement:**

B5. Financial Contribution requested from OUSL(Maximum amount available for one year is approximately one million Rupees)

Please read carefully the Budget Guidelines and provide annual phasing, in Rupees, of the requested funds together with a brief description of the foreseen expenditures.

B5.1.Summary of Budget

For each of the items for which funds are required please give a justification for requesting the funds itemized, and show clearly how the cost figures were derived, in the following pages.

(1) Personnel	1st year	2nd year	3rd year	Total
(i) Research Students				
(ii) Technical Assistant				
(iii) Other (laborer)				
Sub Total (Personnel)				
(2)Equipment*				
Sub Total (Equipment)				
(3) Consumables[†]				
(4) Travel[‡] & Subsistence				
(5) Miscellaneous[#]				
GRAND TOTAL				

*List all the items of equipment in this cage. Please provide justification for the need of relevant equipment on a separate sheet with quotations for each equipment intended to be purchased.

[†]Attach list including complete description of type (e.g.chemicals, glassware. etc), quantity and the estimated costs

[‡]This budget category **must not exceed 10%** of the total grant requested/awarded

[#]This budget category **must not exceed 5%** of the total grant requested/awarded. Please itemize wherever possible.

B5.2. TOTAL CONTRIBUTION REQUESTED : (The maximum annual contribution requested cannot exceed one million Rupees)	
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B5.3. Signature of the Principal Investigator	Date:
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B6.Recommendations

When forwarding applications the Heads of Institutions/Departments are expected to consider the following aspects - that there is no duplication in funding for the project and that the applicant will be able to devote sufficient time to carry out the project. (If the applicants are from different institutions/departments, recommendations from each institution should be submitted)

(a)* For Applicants from OUSL:

I confirm that I have read the application and that the facilities mentioned in the Project Description will be made available for this project. The project is recommended / Not recommended* *Strike off whichever is inapplicable Date..... Signature Head, Department of The Open University of Sri Lanka	I confirm that I have read the application and that the facilities mentioned in the Project Description will be made available for this project. The project is recommended / not recommended* *Strike off whichever is inapplicable Date..... Signature Head, Department of The Open University of Sri Lanka
I approve and recommend the project. Date..... Signature Dean, Faculty of..... The Open University of Sri Lanka	I approve and recommend the project. Date:..... Signature Dean, Faculty of The Open University of Sri Lanka
(b)* For applicants from other Institutions/Organisations	
I confirm that I have read the application and that the facilities mentioned in Project Description will be made available for this project. The project is recommended. (Give details of the Institution) Signature of Head of Institution/Organisation Date	
* Applicants should fill (a) and (b) if it is relevant. (Make more cages if required)	
I recommend the funding of the project. Director / Research Open University of Sri Lanka Date.....	Funding approved. Signature of the Vice Chancellor Open University of Sri Lanka Date.....

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SECTION C**Proposed Reviewers**

(Provide the name and full details of a maximum of 3 reviewers who would be suitable to review your proposal. Please note that the OUSL will have the sole responsibility in deciding whether or not a proposal will be submitted for evaluation to the referee(s) listed below)

C1. Referee No. 1

Surname
 First Name
 Institute address

 Tel:
 Fax:
 E-mail:

C2. Referee No. 2

Surname
 First Name
 Institute address

 Tel:
 Fax:
 E-mail:

C3. Referee No. 3

Surname
 First Name
 Institute address

 Tel:
 Fax:
 E-mail:

SECTION D**Curriculum Vitae of Principal Investigator/ Co Investigators / Investigators**

(All Investigators are required to submit their CVs using the following format) Attach additional pages if necessary

D1 – Curriculum Vitae of Principal Investigator

D.1.1 Surname	
D.1.2.First Name	
D.1.3 Birth date (dd/mm/yy)	
D.1.4 Area of Specialization	
D.1.5. Position / Title	
D.1.6.Official Address	
D.1.7. Tel:	
D.1.8 Fax:	
D.1.9.E-mail:	

D2–Education: Please furnish your education qualifications relevant to the proposed project only, in chronological order.

Institute & location	Degree	Year	Field of study
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D3– Current employment

D4–Details of current & previous grants:

Project Title	Duration		Agency Awarded	Funds Received	Outcome

D5– Publications:

(Please provide a list of publications relating to the subject area of your proposal. Include peer reviewed research papers, books and patents pertinent to this application for the last 5 years only) Please also provide copies of the most significant 5 publications. (In case of books, please provide an abstract)

D 1.1 – Curriculum Vitae of Co-Investigator - 1

D.1.1 Surname	
D.1.2.First Name	
D.1.3 Birth date (dd/mm/yy)	
D.1.4 Area of Specialization	
D.1.5. Position title	
D.1.6.Official Address	
D.1.7. Tel:	
D.1.8 Fax:	
D.1.9.E-mail:	

D 1.2 – Education: Please furnish your education qualifications relevant to the proposed project only, in chronological order.

Institute & location	Degree	Year	Field of study
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D 1.3 – Current employment

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D 1.4 – Details of current & previous grants:

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D 1.5 – Publications:

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D 2.1 – Curriculum Vitae of Co-Investigator - 2

D.1.1 Surname	
D.1.2.First Name	
D.1.3 Birth date (dd/mm/yy)	
D.1.4 Area of Specialization	
D.1.5. Position title	
D.1.6.Official Address	
D.1.7. Tel:	
D.1.8 Fax:	
D.1.9.E-mail:	

D2.2 – Education: Please furnish your education qualifications relevant to the proposed project only, in chronological order.

Institute & location

Degree

Year

Field +of study

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D 2.3 – Current employment

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D 2.4 – Details of current & previous grants:

Project Title	Duration		Agency Awarded	Funds Received	Outcome

D 2.5 – Publications:

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D 3.1 – Curriculum Vitae of Co-Investigator - 3

D.1.1 Surname	
D.1.2.First Name	
D.1.3 Birth date (dd/mm/yy)	
D.1.4 Area of Specialization	
D.1.5. Position title	
D.1.6.Official Address	
D.1.7. Tel:	
D.1.8 Fax:	
D.1.9.E-mail:	

D 3.2 – Education: Please furnish your education qualifications relevant to the proposed project only, in chronological order.

Institute & location

Degree

Year

Field of study

D 3.3 – Current employment

D 3.4 – Details of current & previous grants:

Project Title	Duration		Agency Awarded	Funds Received	Outcome

D 3.5 – Publications:

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