

AICTE-NISTADS-SPECIAL SCHEME FOR TECHNICAL INSTITUTES OF NORTH EAST REGION

	Objectives
(a)	Considering the day to day problems being faced by the students in taking admissions in good engineering colleges, AICTE has launched a scheme for providing logistics support to the technical institutes by extending financial assistance to solve water problem in general and providing alternative power support and internet connection. These projects shall enhance the functional efficiency of the technical institutes located in far-flung areas of North East India. The scheme shall be implemented through CSIR-National Institute of Science & Technology and Development Studies (NISTADS).
(b)	Provision of water will help the institute to meet the acute shortage of water supply during dry season. The North East India mainly comprises of hilly regions and the supply of water is not regular throughout the year and during dry season, the water supply in the institutes are almost nil. Such water harvesting project shall help the institute and the student to have water even during dry season.
(c)	Most of the Urban & Rural areas in North Eastern India are deprived of continuous and regular electricity supply, which not only affects the daily life but also for imparting Higher Technical Education. In order to make the technical institutes more functional and to meet the shortage of conventional electricity supply, provision may be provided for captive solar power energy. In case, places, where the solar energy is not effective, procurement of generator can be considered.
(d)	The availability/connection of internet facility is also not upto the desired level in North Eastern Region. To mitigate this problem, funding for internet connection can also be considered for initial connection. Recurring expenditure for future shall have to be shown by the Institute.
(e)	These schemes launched by AICTE is unique in the sense that it will enhance the enrollment of North East students in technical institute of the region as well as improving the quality of education.
	Eligibility
(a)	Government/Government-aided technical/engineering colleges/University Departments including Polytechnic Institutes of North East are entitled for the grant.
(b)	The Institute must be in existence for last five years.

	Duration of Project
	The proposed/approved institutes will have to construct the project for solving water problems within 2 years from the date of receipt of the first installment. Similarly, the power energy & internet connection shall have to be procured within six months from the date of receipt of the fund for the purpose.
	Limit of funding
(a)	For solving water problem per institute is Rs. 15.00 lakhs
(b)	For procurement of solar energy plant or generator per institute is Rs. 20.00 lakhs.
(c)	For facilitating proper internet connection maximum of Rs. 5.00 lakhs
	Disbursement of the Funds
(a)	Disbursement of fund shall be through NISTADS.
	Processing Methodology:
(a)	The proposal to be assessed by an expert committee constituted by NISTADS .
	Terms and conditions
(a)	Annual progress report to be submitted in respect of the projects.
(b)	After completion of the project, a project completion report should be submitted.
(c)	Utilization certificate and statement of accounts in prescribed proforma duly audited by the Finance Officer/Account Officer as per prescribed format is required to be submitted by NISTADS before drawl of balance amount as well as on completion of the project/procurement.
(d)	If the construction work to solve water problem or the procurement of power energy & internet, as is the case may be, is not initiated within six months otherwise the amount is to be refunded with accrued interest to AICTE with justification.
1.	Essential Documents Required with Application Form:
	To Solve Water Problem in general
(a)	Plan/detailed estimates of the project
(b)	Abstract of the estimates of the project
(c)	PWD/CPWD rate certificate of the project

(d)	Conformity with the norms as suggested by the AICTE and the rates are as per CSR of the region.
(e)	Land ownership and possession certificate from the concerned Tehsildar/SDM duly counter sign by the Principal.
(f)	Mode of construction viz. Contract/ Departmentally (at most competitive rates) or Deposit work by the PWD.
(g)	A certificate from the Principal/ Competent Authority (concerned Secretary, State Government for Technical Education) that expenditure over and above AICTE grant, if any, will be met by the State Govt./ or the college and the construction will not be delayed for want of funds.

2. Sharing of Task & Responsibility for implementation of the scheme as per MoU

Task	AICTE	NISTADS	Local	Vendor
Training and workshop	X	√	X	X
Project Development	√	√	√	X
Technical Specifications	√	√	√	X
Call for Proposals	√	√	X	X
Proposal Evaluation & Selection	√	√	X	X
Tendering	√	√	√	X
Bid evaluation	X	√	√	X
Sanctioning of Project	√	X	X	X
Issue of Purchase Order	X	X	√	X
Releasing of Payment to Vendor	X	X	√	X

	Site Identification	X	√	√	X
	Supply and Installation	X	√	√	√
	System Integration and certification	X	√	√	√
	Maintenance and Training	X	X	√	√
	All other terms & conditions for implementation of the scheme shall be at par the MoU dated 12.09.2017.				
2.	Procurement of Solar power energy equipment/Generator/Internet connection				
(a)	Documentary proof of cost etc. alongwith the purchase procedure/formalities to be adopted as per the prescribed order formalities indicated in the GFR.				
(b)	A certificate from the Principal/ Competent Authority (concerned Secretary, State Government for Technical Education) that expenditure over and above AICTE grant received through NISTADS , if any, will be met by the State Govt./or the college and the purchase will not be delayed for want of funds.				