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SOCIAL INNOVATION CHALLENGE

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) – Phase II

Who can submit the proposal?

The applicants who are already registered for the Social Innovation Challenge can submit their proposal in Phase II.

What is the deadline for the proposal submission?

Now, you can submit the proposal for your application up to **10th December 2020 (Thursday) 23:55 HRS** as we have extended the former deadline, ~~01st December 2020~~.

How to submit a proposal?

Registered applicants can follow these 7 simple steps to submit the proposal:

1. Download the template here (Word document).
2. Fill the required details in the Word document.
3. Convert it into PDF.
4. Login to your Gmail or Google account.
5. Open the Google form linked here.
6. Put your essential details and select the file in the attachment area.
7. Click on 'Submit' the button.

What can be the subject matter of the proposal?

Any form of the innovation can be submitted as a proposal until it satisfies the guidelines and format of the Challenge.

Innovation can vary from intangible products like apps/software to tangible products in respective thematic areas or from social entrepreneurship models to sustainable business models with remarkable social impact.

How to prepare the proposal for Social Innovation Challenge?

You need to refer the proposal template for detailed information. [Click here to download the template](#).

Section 3 & 4 of this template are most critical where applicants are advised to describe the details of the innovation.

Applicant should address various queries in the template as suggested where they should try to convince by describing the background of the innovation in solving societal problems; novelty, uniqueness, effectiveness, and ecological sustainability of their innovation; relevancy of their innovation in overcoming social challenges; and wider scale of the impact.

Should we submit the proof-of-concept or prototype along with the proposal submission?

You may submit the proof-of-concept or prototype along with the proposal, however, it is not mandatory. To complete your application, you have to submit proof-of-concept or prototype by 1st January 2020.

What's the proof-of-concept or prototype under the Social Innovation Challenge?

A proof-of-concept is a form of evidence which demonstrates the feasibility of a design, concept, or business proposal of the innovation. Generally, it's derived through experiment or a pilot project. A prototype is generally a preliminary version or outcome of these activities.

Can we change the thematic area (at Phase-II) under which we submitted our application at the time of initial registration (Phase-I)?

Please contact SIC2020 organising team regarding your query. The team reserves its right to declare their decision. It opines the decisions on case-by-case basis by taking into consideration the facts of the situation.

Can we submit two different ideas under two different themes?

Yes, you can submit two different ideas under two different themes but you cannot lead both the teams. You can be the team leader in one of the projects and in another one, you can be a participant and your fellow mates can lead the team.

Can we add more members to our team at this stage?

You can put forward the request to SIC2020 organising team to incorporate the additional member to your already registered team. The team may seek additional information in such cases, if required, and reserves the right to take necessary action on the issue.

Do you have more queries?

Please feel free to call us on 080 2293 2486 to clear your doubts.

We typically resolve your queries the same day if you reach out to us via email at socialinnovation.csp@iisc.ac.in.

For further details, please, log on to https://csp.iisc.ac.in/SIC2020.