

Applications are invited for  
**INNOVATION AND PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT**

The idea is to understand the basic concepts around innovation, contribute to development of a culture of Innovation and prototype/Product Development among the youth. Identified Innovation may be supported by technical/ infrastructural support, assistance in preparation of feasibility report and Interaction with people from industry (if need); appreciation of intellectual property protection and collaboration with Micro Small and Medium Enterprises. Applications from interested innovators like students, researchers, grass-root innovators, entrepreneurs are invited and will be selected through the expert committee. The selected innovation may be provided with financial support of Rs.50,000/- to 1,00,000/-

**Objectives**

- To recognize the creative, novel and innovative ideas from grass root level, student and other member of society as innovators and connect them to the formal R&D, educational and industries.
- To explore innovative ideas, methodologies and product development among innovators.
- To provide a platform for students, teachers and other members of society to showcase their skills by creating new innovations/and products.
- To create an interdisciplinary community of innovators and facilitate understanding of all aspects of innovation and product development.

Interested applicants) may apply in Google forms with required details/supporting documents online on or before 24.03.2025, 5.00pm. The first round of screening may be done with the online application and then the shortlisted applications may be contacted through the mail to submit the hard copy through proper channel. The received applications may be processed for finalising the grant.

Google form link: <https://forms.gle/SB7FmKcZ86xoJSqy5>

## **General terms and conditions**

1. The innovation should be new, novel and original.
2. The proposed innovation should be science and technology - oriented.
3. The applicant seeking financial support should apply in the specified format with necessary details.
4. The applicant(s) may be an individual or a group of people from Tamil Nadu.
5. The applicant must apply through any higher educational institution (Working in the relevant field) for collaboration works, should get the declaration form signed from the head of the institution
6. The applicant should submit the declaration form in scanned copy through the Google form. Need not send any hard copy to the council while applying. After shortlisting the applications the shortlisted applicant may be contacted through the mail to submit the hard copy through proper channel.
7. The applicant(s) should not apply/seek any funding support from any funding agency for the same innovation.
8. The applicant should not have availed any other funding support previously for the same innovation from any agency.
9. The innovations will be short-listed, evaluated and selected through the expert committee.
10. The selected potential innovation may be supported financially as recommended by expert committee with maximum of Rs. 1,00,000/- (one lakh) only.
11. Council will facilitate the innovation by way of financial/technical support for its successful development as a prototype/product.
12. Council will also facilitate to protect the innovation under suitable Intellectual Property Rights. However the applicant should bear the cost involved for the same.
13. The council provides facilitation services for IP filing, and is not responsible for any adverse actions and hence cannot give assurance for grant/registration of an Intellectual property.
14. The identified potential innovation selected will be associated with suitable mentor in any one of the institution/industry as desired by the expert committee.
15. The short-listing, evaluation and selection of innovation by the expert committee are final and further consideration or any other communication in this regard will not be considered.

16. The financial support is provided only for the particular innovation and its development as proposed.
17. The applicant may be invited to present before the expert committee, if needed. Kindly note that the travel expenses and other expenses should be borne by the applicant.
18. Penal action will be initiated against the applicant for wrong information, copying of others' innovation and misuse of funds approved by the council if found at any stage.
19. If an applicant availed financial support under this scheme in a year, the same applicant is not eligible to avail the support for next two years i.e, applicant is eligible to avail this support once in three years.
20. The applicant should strictly follow the timelines as prescribed by the council, to provide any required additional details.

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# **Innovation and Product Development 2025 Declaration Form**

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_

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is Faculty/Student/Researcher or is associated with our Institution to take up the Innovation and Product Development in collaboration with our institution.

**Head of the Institution**