
ASSOCIATION OF INDIAN UNIVERSITIES
RESEARCH DIVISION

Guidelines for Online *Anveshan*: National Student Research Convention 2020-21

1. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant difficulties and in adherence of the GOI guidelines, it has been decided to organize *Anveshan*: National Research Convention **Online for the year 2020-21**. The duration of Online *Anveshan* will be of Two days.
2. The events will be conducted under the banner of AIU and in partnership with selected University.
3. The innovative research projects will be invited in five areas viz. (i) Basic Sciences & Applied Sciences (ii) Engineering and Technology (iii) Agriculture and allied fields (iv) Health Sciences and allied fields (v) Social Sciences; Humanities; Commerce; Business Management; and Law.
4. The received projects will be scrutinized by a panel of experts drawn from various disciplines. The students whose projects will be scrutinized, will be asked to present the project in online mode during the convention in an allocated time slot of 20 minutes (15 Minutes for presentation and 5 Minutes for question from experts).
5. The assessment will be done by panel of three experts drawn from each field and the decision of the experts will be final.
6. **Selection of experts:** The panel of experts (preferably retired or serving academicians from the adjoining institutions, personnel from local industries). A token honorarium of **Rs 2000 will be paid** to each expert.
7. **The expenditure will be reimbursed by AIU to the host Universities on submission of statement of expenditure on actual basis.**
8. All the projects will be assessed on the basis of following criteria. Each criterion is assigned some weightage. The final selection of projects will be based on the cumulative weightage given on all criteria.

Criteria and Weightage

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| • Scientific Thoughts and Principles | 20 |
| • Creativity | 20 |
| • Thoroughness | 10 |
| • Skill | 10 |

- Relevance 20
- Cost Effectiveness 10
- Teamwork 10

Apart from the above criteria, **Scope of Commercialization** of the projects will be considered as an **additional merit**. However, there will be no weightage point for this criterion. In case of the projects having scored equal cumulative weightage point, this criterion will be considered for making the final decision.

- 1) Entries of the research projects will be purely **INSTITUTIONAL** and only **BONAFIDE** Students/Research Scholars from Undergraduate to Doctoral Degree level are eligible to take part in the convention. **Those who are below 30 years of age are only eligible to take part in the Convention.**
- 2) Each project must be sent to AIU/Organizing University with the Approval /Endorsement of Vice Chancellor/Head of the Institution.
- 3) The duly filled in **Registration form** should be sent to the Joint Director, Research Division, Association of Indian Universities, New Delhi on the **email: researchaiu@gmail.com** with a copy to the coordinator of the Organizing University. **No registration fee shall be charged for participating in the National convention.**
- 4) The Organizing or Host University will send circulars to constituent colleges for inviting projects from the students. **No additional financial support** will be given to organizing university for hosting the event other than the actual amount spent as mentioned in point no. 6.
- 5) It will be the responsibility of Organizing or Host University to Compile the abstracts and full-length projects, Photographs of students and submit to AIU for Bringing out the Compendium of Presented Research Projects.
