

Department of Scientific and Industrial Research
A2K+ Events

Guidelines for Support

1. Proposals aiming at following themes to be supported:
 - (i) Promotion, Development and Utilization of Technology, R&D and Innovation;
 - (ii) Technology assessment, valuation, transfer, commercialization and IPR;
 - (iii) Industry, Institution Linkages;
 - (iv) Promoting innovations by students and entrepreneurs, such as Hackathons;
 - (v) Support to virtual events.
 - (vi) Any other industry and technology related theme/topic with the approval of the competent authority.

2. Sectors to be considered for support:
“Make in India” sectors viz. Auto Components; Automobiles; Aviation; Biotechnology; Chemicals; Construction; Defence Manufacturing; Electrical Machinery; Electronic Systems Design & Manufacturing; Food Processing; IT and BPM; Leather; Media Entertainment; Mining; Oil and Gas; Pharmaceuticals; Ports; Railways; Renewable Energy; Roads & Highways; Space; Textiles; Thermal Power; Wellness (Healthcare, particularly thru Indian Systems of Medicine); *Except Tourism & Hospitality*;

The department would also like to strengthen the “Atma Nirbhar Bharat” campaign of GoI. A2K+ Events sub-scheme will encourage and support eligible institutions for organizing events promoting and leading towards indigenous development of products and services that will strengthen the momentum for “Vocal for Local”.

3. Any other innovative theme or sector related to industrial research such as Nanotechnology, New Materials, Environmentally Friendly & Clean/Green Technologies, Waste to Wealth etc. as considered fit by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) shall also be considered for support.

4. Types of Agencies to be considered for support:
 - (i) Industry Associations including Sectoral Industry Associations, Export Promotion Councils and Chambers of Commerce and Industry;
 - (ii) Central and State Government Departments and their associated bodies including Technical Consultancy Organizations (established by State Government, Financial Institutions & Banks);
 - (iii) National R&D Institutions and Organizations including SIROs recognized by DSIR and PFRIs registered with DSIR;
 - (iv) Approved Universities and Colleges as listed in UGC/AICTE website;
 - (v) Institutions having a distinct legal entity (as per Rule 228 of GFR 2017).

5. DSIR support shall be partial support towards the following items of expenditure:
 - (i) Publication and Documentation including background papers, brochures, proceedings and other related publications in the electronic and print media;
 - (ii) Honorarium, Travel and Stay of Resource Persons/Speakers/Experts;
 - (iii) Delegate kit;
 - (iv) Exhibition Space;
 - (v) Prizes and awards for Hackathons;
 - (vi) Any other item upon recommendation by the TAC and approval of the competent authority

6. The agency shall submit actual expenditure incurred in the event and also the revenue generated for the event from all sources including DSIR. Any shortfall in revenue to be contributed by applicant agency and any excess revenue generated shall be reduced from the DSIR support.

7. Proposals to clearly state quantifiable outputs, outcomes and benefits;

8. Not more than three proposals of any single agency shall be supported in any F.Y.
