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**Subject: Scheme for Trans-disciplinary Research for India's
Developing Economy (STRIDE)**

Dear Vice Chancellor,

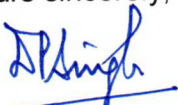
It gives me immense pleasure to inform you that the Hon'ble Minister for Human Resource Development has launched '**Scheme for Trans-disciplinary Research for India's Developing Economy**' (STRIDE) on 1st July, 2019 with an objective to broadly provide support to research projects that are socially relevant, locally need-based, nationally important and globally significant. This Scheme of UGC will promote creation, development and integration of new ideas, concepts and practices for public good and strengthening civil society. A brief about the STRIDE is attached herewith. I am pleased to share with you the video message of Hon'ble HRM on the launch of STRIDE which is available in the video gallery on the UGC website at <https://www.ugc.ac.in/video.aspx>

An Advisory Committee has been set up under the chairmanship of Prof. Bhushan Patwardhan, Vice-Chairman, UGC to oversee the entire Scheme. Details of the STRIDE will be available on UGC website shortly.

You are requested to avail this opportunity and promote this Scheme for the benefit of the faculty and students to strengthen trans-disciplinary research culture in your **University and affiliated colleges**.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(D. P. Singh)

Encl. : As stated above

The Vice-Chancellor of all Universities.

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A brief about the STRIDE

The University Grants Commission (UGC) has approved a new scheme – **‘Scheme for Trans-disciplinary Research for India’s Developing Economy’ (STRIDE)**. Broadly, STRIDE will provide support to research projects that are socially relevant, locally need-based, nationally important and globally significant. STRIDE shall support research capacity building as well as basic, applied and transformational action research that can contribute to national priorities with focus on inclusive human development. STRIDE shall support creation, development and integration of new ideas, concepts and practices for public good and strengthening civil society.

Trans-disciplinary Research

Trans-disciplinary research is a team effort of investigators from different disciplines to create new conceptual, theoretical, methodological innovations that integrates and transcends beyond discipline-specific approaches to address a common problem. Trans-disciplinary research goes beyond mere production of knowledge and extends to the practical use of the knowledge outside academic endeavour. In essence, it takes into consideration the societal impact of knowledge enunciating as what should be the main aim of research. It creates unity of intellectual frameworks beyond the disciplinary perspectives and solve problems by going beyond the boundaries of disciplines to involve various stakeholders. Trans-disciplinary research generates knowledge through use of multi and inter-disciplinary concepts and integrates new theories among science and society.

STRIDE Objectives:

1. To identify young talent, strengthen research culture, build capacity, promote innovation and support trans-disciplinary research for India’s developing economy and national development.
2. To fund multi institutional network high-impact research projects in humanities and human sciences.

STRIDE components:

Component-1 will endeavour to identify the motivated young talents with research and innovation aptitude in universities and colleges. The Scheme will provide research capacity building in diverse disciplines by mentoring, nurturing and supporting young talents to innovate pragmatic solutions for local, regional, national and global problems. This component is open to all disciplines for grant upto 1 crore.

Component-2 will be mainly to enhance problem solving skills with help of social innovation and action research to improve wellbeing of people and contribute for India's developing economy. Collaborations between universities, government, voluntary organizations and industries is encouraged under this scheme. This component is open to all disciplines for grant upto 50 lakh - 1 crore.

Component-3 will fund high impact research projects in the identified thrust areas in humanities and human sciences through national network of eminent scientists from leading institutions. Disciplines eligible for funding under this component include: Philosophy, History, Archaeology, Anthropology, Psychology, Liberal Arts, Linguistics, Indian Languages and Culture, Indian Knowledge Systems, Law, Education, Journalism, Mass Communication, Commerce, Management, Environment and Sustainable Development. Grant available for this component is upto 1 crore for one HEI and upto 5 crores for multi institutional network. To encourage high quality high impact research in humanities, there is a provision to identify experts and invite them to develop a proposal. UGC is also proposing to provide a grant of Rs 2 lakh for developing proposals.

Award of grant will be based on merit of the project proposal. STRIDE scheme proposals will be carefully evaluated with help of peer review and assessment by expert committees. Shortlisted applicants may be invited for presentation. Details of the scheme will be available on UGC website by 8th July, 2019. Call for proposals will be announced by the UGC by 20th July, 2019. Applications will have to be submitted online. STRIDE web portal will be open for receiving applications by 31st July, 2019.
