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Application for Entrepreneurship Support Program (ESP)

A recent bilateral agreement has been established between IAAS and UGC Nepal to execute the Entrepreneurship Support Program (ESP), a pivotal initiative under the Nurturing Excellence under Higher Education Program (NEHEP). IAAS is nominating students and young faculties for entrepreneurship participation within the ESP framework. In this program, IAAS will extend support for proposal development, benefiting selected applicants. In light of this collaboration, IAAS is inviting applications from students, young faculties and groups who meet the eligibility criteria. Interested individuals are encouraged to apply for entrepreneurship support, training, and start-up assistance. The program will select 30 applicants to receive training support and assistance in developing enterprise plans. These 30 entrepreneurs will benefit from a two-month training program focusing on essential knowledge, skills, technology, and arts-related aspects. The top five enterprises emerging from the program will be subjected to additional support. Under this extended support, five business proposals will be chosen through a national competition, and the selected enterprises will receive a maximum seed fund of 40, 00,000 (Forty lakhs rupees). This initiative aims to empower graduates and young faculties by providing them with the necessary resources to kick-start their entrepreneurial ventures. We encourage eligible individuals/groups to seize this opportunity and apply for the ESP to embark on a journey of innovation and enterprise development.

Eligibility Criteria for ESP Application:

- 1. IAAS Alumni (Undergraduate/Postgraduate) within five years of graduation or a bonafide postgraduate student of IAAS or student group.
- 2. Young faculty members whose age must not exceed 40 years or Young faculties group.
- 3. A bank youcher of NRs 500 must be submitted along with the application. Account Details: Nepal Bank Limited, Kirtipur Branch
- INST OF AG. & ANI SC. RESEARCH COM (04500100105708000001) 4. The submission must include the following components:
 - i. Background
 - ii. Rationale
 - iii. Objectives
 - **Expected Outcome** iv.
 - Benefit to Society ٧.
 - Risk Assumptions and Management vi.
 - **Timeline** vii.
 - Budget viii.
- 5. Kindly contact Directorate of Research & Publication and Directorate of Extension for further information. Queries can be sent to directorateofextension@gmail.com

(Note: The budget should be submitted in a ratio of 60:40, where 60% of the budget is supported in the form of seed money by IAAS, and 40% should be the applicant's contribution.)

Deadline: 29th February 2024

Submission: research@iaas.tu.edu.np

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