



Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

Government of India



**National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS)
Call for Demand Driven Action Research Proposals for 2017-18**

Realizing the significance of the Himalaya, the Government of India in year 2015 launched the “**National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS)**” a Central Sector (CS) Grant-in-Aid Scheme with a vision "to support the sustenance and enhancement of the ecological, natural, cultural and socio-economic capital assets and values of the Indian Himalayan Region (IHR). The Mission has been revamped recently and focussing on Demand Driven Action Research on the Thematic Areas- (i) Water Management (ii) Livelihood Options and Employment Generation (iii) Biodiversity Conservation and Management and (iv) Skill Development and Capacity Building. Details of the scheme are available on the web sites of the NMHS-PMU (www.nmhs.org.in), MoEF&CC (www.moef.nic.in) and G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment and Sustainable Development - GBPNIHESD (www.gbpihed.gov.in)

For Year 2017-18, project proposals are invited under NMHS from reputed Institution/ University/ Organization equipped with adequate resources and prior proven demand-driven, demonstrative research and development (R&D) experience in the context of the Indian Himalayan Region (IHR). The multi-state, multi-institutional, inter-disciplinary research proposals addressing women-centric issues in the Mountain region would be encouraged.

The project should address the Thematic Areas with respective indicative intervention areas given in Table 1 of the project submission guidelines. The selection of studies, pilots and interventions will be based on their potential of initiating demonstrable demand-driven action research with proven record/ working experience on aforementioned priority issues faced in the Himalayan region. Project proposals of similar research/ demonstrative nature or sharing the similar field areas can be combined/ clubbed together based on the discretion of the NMHS Competent Authority.

The project duration under NHMS scheme would be for three (3) years and the reputed Institution/ University/ Organization equipped with adequate resources and demonstrative research and development (R&D) experience in the context of Himalaya and having prior proven experience in the ‘Himalayan Studies/ Demonstrations’ are eligible for submitting research proposals in their area(s) of expertise along with the Endorsement Certificate from the Head of the Institution along with detailed bio-data of the PI and Co-PIs.

The detailed guidelines for project submission and formats for preparing Project Proposal are available on the websites of the NMHS-PMU: <http://nmhs.org.in>; MoEF&CC: <http://envfor.nic.in>; and the Nodal Institute GBPNIHESD: <http://gbpihed.gov.in>.

Submitting Proposal: Ten (10) copies of the research proposal prepared in the prescribed format in any of the aforementioned Thematic Areas should be sent by Speed Post super-scribing the envelop with “**Project Proposal under NMHS 2017-18**” to the NMHS-PMU Nodal Officer at the following address:

**Er. Kireet Kumar,
Nodal Officer, NMHS-PMU,
G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment and Sustainable Development (GBPNIHESD),
Kosi-Katarmal, Almora -263643 (Uttarakhand)**

In addition, a soft copy of the proposal should also be e-mailed at: nmhspmu2016@gmail.com along with a copy to Dr. Subrata Bose, Additional Director, Mountain Division, MoEF&CC, New Delhi at subrata.bose@nic.in.

Last Date of submitting the Proposal: 8th December, 2017.

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