

## Dr.Mahalingam College of Engineering and Technology, Pollachi-642 003.

## **Office of Dean Research & Innovation**

# **Research Contingency Grant**

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### Dr. Mahalingam College of Engineering and Technology- Pollachi-03. (An Autonomous Institution)

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Management is pleased to sanction Research Contingency Grant Scheme from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 onwards to improve research output in various streams, specifically:

- S&H and Core Stream: Material Testing and Purchase of Materials related to Research
- Circuit Stream: Antenna Fabrication & Testing and Purchase of Materials related to Research
- IT Stream: Cloud-based Infrastructure Services Purchase of Materials related to Research

#### **Proposal for Allocation of Research Contingency Grant:**

A total of Rs. 15 lakhs is proposed for the financial year (FY), with allocations as follows:

- Rs. 3 lakhs each for S&H and Mechanical Engineering
- Rs. 2 lakhs for Automobile Engineering
- Rs. 1 lakh for Civil Engineering
- Rs. 50,000 flat allocations for all other departments

#### **Guidelines for availing the Contingency Grant:**

#### 1. Faculty Eligibility:

- A maximum of Rs. 20,000 per faculty per semester may be availed.
- Faculty must have at least one Q1 or SCIE or Scopus publication as an outcome.
- A grant of up to ₹5,000 will be provided for Scopus-indexed papers, up to ₹10,000 for SCIE-indexed papers, and up to ₹20,000 for Q1 journal publications.
- This grant is open to both faculty members and research faculty members
- Faculty who fails to achieve the publication requirement will be ineligible for future grants.

#### 2. Departmental Responsibility:

- Departments should negotiate and finalize a rate contract for relevant services each FY, wherever applicable.
- Utilisation of purchased consumables should be monitored and contingency Stock register should be maintained.

#### 3. Usage Constraints:

- The grant cannot be used to purchase any equipment.
- It can be utilized for testing, characterization, consumables, materials and cloud services that are unavailable at MCET and are not covered under any other budget heads.

#### 4. Publication Requirements:

- Research work funded through this grant must be authored by MCET faculty.
- Collaborations are permitted only with top NIRF-ranked Government/Aided institutions or foreign universities.

#### 5. Incentive Considerations:

- Publications resulting from this grant will not be eligible for enhanced incentives.
- Standard incentives will be considered only if the total expenditure remains below ₹5,000 for Scopus-indexed papers, ₹10,000 for SCIE-indexed papers, and ₹15,000 for Q1 journal papers.

This initiative is expected to significantly enhance research productivity by enabling faculty members to access critical facilities, thereby ensuring high-quality publications and innovation.