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## **NOTICE**

Sub: Revised norms for utilization of Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA) at SVNIT Surat

The Board of Governors in its 57<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 26/03/2021 adopted the guidelines accepted by the NITSER Council for proper utilization of CPDA by faculty in NITs issued by Ministry of Education (earlier MHRD) vide letter No.F.No.35-6/2016-TS.III dated 08/06/2017. Accordingly, the norms for utilization of Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA) are revised. The revised norms will be applicable with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021.

Block Period:

- (a) Duration of Block Period is Three Years.
- (b) One financial year shall be considered one year.

Grant Allocation:

- (a) Rs. 3.00 Lacs for a block period of three years.
- (b) If a faculty member joins the Institute or retires from the Institute service in between a block period, he/she shall be entitled to this allowance on pro-rata basis.

LIST OF ACTIVITIES AND THE NORMS FOR INCURRING EXPENDITURE UNDER CUMULATIVE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ALLOWANCE (CPDA):

- A. Presenting of Papers and attending National & International Conferences / workshops:
  - Presenting papers in National / International Conferences / Workshops / Symposia / special training in India and abroad.
- B. Membership Fee for Professional Bodies:
  - Acquiring Membership of Professional Bodies/Societies, both National and International. Maximum memberships of three professional bodies/societies from CPDA grant in one block year.

C. Contingent Expenses

- Consumables such as chemicals, laboratory glassware, charges for synthesis & analysis of samples for pursuing research, minor consumables like thermocouples, ICs, transducers, strain gauges and sensors.
- Purchase of stationery, books & related items like photocopy of teaching and research materials, calculators and e-books
- Computer related consumables such as external storage devices, cartridges, antivirus, digital-pen, head phones, battery and RAM.

## **GUIDELINES**

- 1. Participating in National / International Conferences / Workshops / Symposia / special training programmes requires prior approval.
- 2. Normally, participation should be restricted to selected quality events and the Screening Committee shall ensure that participation in the event will be beneficial to the institute.
- 3. Visits outside the Institution should not only be restricted to vacation period only (as amended in 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council of NIT, held on 18/07/2018).
- 4. It is mandatory on the part of the faculty member to deliver a seminar in the Institute prior to participation in any international conference and submit a report of activities carried out before making claim for reimbursement of expenditure incurred for participating in National / International Conferences / Workshops / Symposia.
- 5. Institute norms will be applicable for TA/DA. The total expenditure towards all items under the Category A such as TA/DA, registration fee, visa fee, etc. for participating in National/International Conferences/Workshops/Symposia and visits for research interactions shall be up to a maximum of 70% of the CPDA (i.e., Rs.2.1 Lakhs) for the three year period.
- 6. The faculty members who are on deputation/QIP/leave (beyond 30 days) are NOT entitled for claiming reimbursement under the CPDA funds- during their absence from the institute.
- 7. The faculty members are encouraged to utilize the budget sanctioned under CPDA to each of them in an effective way to promote their academic performance.
- 8. All regular faculty members appointed in regular scale on probation/ contract basis shall be eligible for the grant (as amended in 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council of NIT, held on 18/07/2018). If a faculty member joins the institute or retires from the institute service/leaves the institute (resignation or deputation or any other reason) in between a block period, the faculty member shall be entitled for this allowance on pro-rata basis
- 9. The amount sanctioned shall be sanctioned on reimbursable basis.
- 10. Only one third of the amount sanctioned over a block period shall be made available during the first year of the block period of 3 years. Any unutilized amount shall be rolled over to the second year and the remaining amount sanctioned during the third year.
- 11. Amount set aside for each year of the block period shall not be paid in advance.
- 12. The actual amount received during a block period shall be equally earmarked for all eligible faculty members.
- 13. Prior approval shall be taken for any expenditure under this grant.
- 14. A Committee of the Deans and HoDs shall scrutinize the applications submitted to ensure that the conference is of Tier I level, the paper presented is related to the work carried in the respective institute and the claims made are in order. The institute may co-opt an external member (s).
- 15. Admissible expenditure shall include actual travel expenditure by economy class by shortest route following extant Government of India instructions.
- 16. Foreign travel for attending conferences shall be strictly limited to the period of conference and shall be entertained preferably during vacation period ensuring teaching is not affected.

- 17. Any expenditure incurred towards participation in a conference including registration fee paid shall not be reimbursable if the faculty fails to attend the conference for any reason.
- 18. The faculty shall be responsible for submitting the accounts and claiming reimbursement within a month after participation in the conference / expenditure incurred under various categories.
- 19. The details of all traveling abroad should be placed on the website of the Institute.
- 20. All expenditure must be strictly as per Government of India norms.
- 21. In addition to above, the following clarifications are made for proper settlement of CPDA claims:
  - a. Enclose participation certificate received from the organizers at the time of reimbursement of claim.
  - b. Leave details and work load adjustment should be verified by Head of the Department before recommendation
  - c. All expenses are to be entered in the CPDA Expenditure Register in the Department with certification on back-side of the bills.
  - d. The petty contingent expenses (as per approved items enlisted under contingent expenses) upto Rs 5000 in a quarter period may be allowed without seeking prior administrative approval. However, duly-signed Invoice and/or payment receipt is to be submitted by the concerned staff to the Accounts Section with the prescribed form for reimbursement.
  - e. The claims from CPDA shall be submitted to accounts section on quarterly basis during 1-15<sup>th</sup> day of June, September, December & March in each financial year. However, the reimbursement for travel expenses for foreign visit shall be made immediately after the visit.:
  - f. Following ceiling shall be applicable for the list of activities under Cumulative Professional Development Allowance (CPDA):

Sl. No.	Particulars	Ceiling in Rs
A	Presenting of Papers and attending National & International Conferences / workshops	
В	Membership Fee for Professional Bodies	Up to a maximum of 50% of the CPDA (i.e., Rs.1.5 Lakhs) for the three year period
С	Contingent expenses	Up to a maximum of 50% of the CPDA (i.e., Rs.1.5 Lakhs) for the three year period

Encl: Forms A1, A2, B1, B2, C1 & C2

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