

## **Research Grants for Study of TB, Diabetes and HIV/AIDS**

The SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre has called for applications for Research Grants of TB, Diabetes and HIV/AIDS.

Copies of communications and application forms are attached. You may follow instructions and applications should be submitted by 15<sup>th</sup> August 2016.

Advertise on web  
Applications for  
Research Grants



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Ministry of Health, Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine  
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Attn: Dr. Alan Ludowiczke, Director/International

Applications for Research Grants for Study of TB, Diabetes and HIV/AIDS

The SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Center, has called for applications for Research Grants of TB, Diabetes and HIV/AIDS as one of the initiative to control/eliminate of such diseases from the region.

Priority areas for support

- Priority and innovation for diagnosis and treatment of TB & Diabetes, HIV/Hepatitis C Co-infection
- Evaluate new models/interventions for implementation of TB and Diabetes, HIV/HCV Co-infection
- Evaluate new tools for diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis and Diabetes and HIV and HCV
- Innovative model for TB/Diabetes, HIV/HCV co-infection
- Gender and Youth on TB/Diabetes and HIV/HCV

Maximum grant of US\$ 10,000 will be offered for the selected projects.

The applications should be submitted by 15<sup>th</sup> August 2016, and application form could be downloaded from the website: [www.saarctb.org](http://www.saarctb.org).

Appreciate if you could share the above information with relevant authorities in Sri Lanka and submit applications accordingly.

M.A.K. Giriagama  
Director General/SA & SAARC  
For Secretary

Copies to: Actg. Director/National Programme for Tuberculosis Control and Chest Diseases (2368386)  
Director, National HIV/AIDS Control Programme (5330873)

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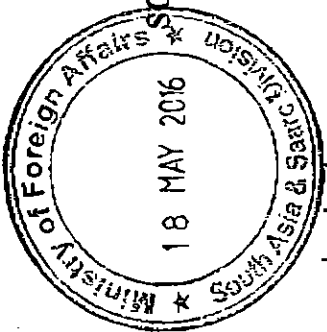
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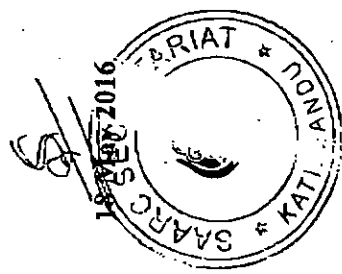
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The Secretariat of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation presents its compliments to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of the Member States of SAARC, and has the honour to enclose SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre (STAC)'s letter No.STAC/Activity-10/2016/361 dated 17 May 2016 regarding Research Grant for the Study of "TB and Diabetes" and "HIV and HCV (Co-infection)".

2. The Secretariat requests the esteemed Member States to circulate the information to the National TB and HIV/AIDS Control Programmes with the request to submit the Research Grant Application Form (duly filled) by 15 August 2016.
3. The Secretariat of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation avails itself the opportunity to renew to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of the Member States of SAARC, the assurance of its highest consideration.

Encl: (08-Pages) - By email



Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs  
(SAARC Division)  
Member States of SAARC

Copy to: SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre (STAC), Thimi,



## SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre

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STAC/Activity-10/2016/361

The South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation (SAARC) Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation and has honor to refer the activity of the STAC for the year 2016 and enclosed the Research Grant Application Form under the Activity.

2. The National TB Control Programmes and National HIV/AIDS Control Programmes of SAARC Member States can apply for the Research Grant for the Study of "TB and Diabetes" and "HIV and HCV (Co-infection)" in their country.

3. In view of the above, the esteemed Secretariat is requested to kindly circulate the Member States for onward transmission to the National TB and HIV/AIDS Control Programmes for their information and submission of Application within 15 August, 2016. The Grand Application Can be downloaded from STAC's Website: [www.saarc.tb.org](http://www.saarc.tb.org).

4. The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation, the assurance of its highest consideration.

Encl. as above



The SAARC Secretariat,  
Kathmandu,  
Nepal.



## **Research Grant Study Application Form**

- **TB and Diabetes**
- **HIV and HCV (Co-infection)**

**2016**

**SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre  
Nepal**

**GPO Box No- 9517, Kathmandu Nepal,**

**Website: [www.saarctb.org](http://www.saarctb.org)**



## Call for Applications of research Grant

The South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Center, otherwise known as the STAC is pleased to announce the 2016 call for applications of the Research Grants of TB, HIV and AIDS to develop strategies that integrate and deliver to control or eliminate of diseases.

### Background

The objective of this call is to support and develop operational strategies that integrate and deliver to control or eliminate the infectious diseases (TB and HIV/AIDS) of poverty from SAARC Region. To support operational research and research capacity strengthening to National Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS center in SAARC.

The Research Grants has been an initiative of STAC since 2015. STAC promotes and supports research on Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS in the Region. It also helps to strengthen individual and institutional research capacity in SAARC Region. Translating research results into policy and practice, and engaging individuals and communities in using research evidence to reduce the disease of burden in their respective countries.

### Priority areas for support:

- Priority and innovation for diagnosis and treatment of TB & Diabetes, HIV/Hepatitis C Co-infection
- Evaluate new models/interventions for implementation of TB and Diabetes, HIV/HCV Co-infection
- Evaluate new tools for diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis and Diabetes and HIV and HCV
- Innovative model for TB/Diabetes, HIV/HCV intervention
- Prevalence and KAP among TB & Diabetes, HIV/HCV co-infection
- Gender and Youth on TB/Diabetes and HIV/HCV

**Eligibility criteria:** Only NTP and NACP from SAARC Member States are eligible to apply

**Selection process:** Proposals will be selected on a competitive basis by STAC reviewers. Scoring will depend on scientific merit and public health impact of the project.

**Funds:** Maximum **US\$ 10,000 (Ten thousand)** for a grant. Co-funding from domestic or other sources is encouraged.

**Study duration:** Maximum One year

**Application deadline:** 15<sup>th</sup> August 2016

**How to submit the application:** The completed application form should be signed by whom with official seal and submit electronic and hard copy to:

**Director**

**SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre (STAC)**

**Thimi, Bhaktapur, GPO BOX- 9517, Kathmandu, Nepal E-mail: [saarctb@mos.com.np](mailto:saarctb@mos.com.np)**

**PART I – ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

<p><b>Please note: The completed research grant application must be received by STAC not later than the deadline stipulated in the call for application. Submissions received after the deadline will not be processed for review.</b></p>	
<p><b>1. Indicate which "Call for Proposals" this application corresponds to:</b></p>	
<p><b>GENERAL INFORMATION</b></p>	
<p><b>2. First Name:</b></p>	<p><b>3. Last Name:</b></p>
<p><b>4.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p>	<p><b>5. Nationality:</b></p>
<p><b>6.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Dr <input type="checkbox"/> Prof</p>	
<p><b>7. Full postal address of the NTP / NACP Office</b></p>	
<p><b>8. Country:</b></p>	<p><b>9. Telephone (office):</b></p>
<p><b>10. Telephone (mobile):</b></p>	<p><b>11. Primary e-mail:</b> <b>Secondary e-mail:</b></p>
<p><b>12. Research area</b> <input type="checkbox"/> TB &amp; Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> HIV &amp; HCV Co-infection</p>	
<p><b>RESEARCH</b></p>	
<p><b>13. Research title:</b>  <i>Enter text here</i></p>	
<p><b>14. Executive summary of proposed research (Maximum 0.5 pages)</b>  <i>Enter text here</i></p>	
<p><b>15. Start date: DD/MM/2016</b></p>	<p><b>16. End date: DD/MM/YY</b></p>
<p><b>17. Language(s)used : English</b></p>	

<b>INSTITUTION</b>	
<b>18. Full name and postal address of the institution: NTP / NACP</b>	
<b>20. Country:</b>	<b>21. Telephone:</b>
<b>22. Institution's website:</b>	
<b>23. Full name: Responsible person</b>	<b>24. Email address:</b>
<b>25. Position:</b>	
<i>26. I confirm that if research support is granted, the work will be accommodated and administered in this institution. This institution will provide the necessary support and oversight to facilitate quality implementation and reporting of the proposed work.</i>	
<i>Signature:</i>	<i>Date:</i>
<i>Stamp:</i>	

**PART II - RESEARCH DESCRIPTION**

<p><b>1. Background and Rationale</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Maximum 1 page)</i></p> <p>Enter text here</p>	
<p><b>2. Objectives and outcomes</b></p> <p>This section should answer the question “Why is this research needed at this time at this country?” List up to 3 major objectives and their related outcomes.</p>	
Objectives	Expected outcomes
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2.	
3.	



### **3. Design and methods**

**Describe the design and the methods to be used, both for research objectives. Describe the activities that will take place and explain how they will generate each planned deliverable.**

**Suggested sub-titles:**

- a) study setting;**
- b) study design;**
- c) sampling and study population (including sample size estimation);**
- d) data collection tools (questionnaire / variables; biological measurements / lab investigations; others)**

*(Maximum 3 pages)*

**Enter text here**

### **4. Data management and statistical analysis**

**Describe the data management and analysis plans, tests used for data analysis and statistical package use**

*( maximum 1 page)*

**Enter text here**

### **5. Quality assurance**

**Describe the steps you will take to ensure the quality of the work and of the results.**

*(Maximum 0.5 page)*

**Enter text here**

### **6. Dissemination of results and publication use of study**

**STAC is actively promoting researchers in the field of TB, HIV and respiratory disease in Member Countries. For example, publication in a peer-reviewed journal (SAARC Journal of Tuberculosis, Lungs Diseases and HIV/AIDS) disseminated widely.**

*(Maximum 1 page)*

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**7. Ethical clearance with concern body**

Please describe how you are going to get ethical approval from National Ethical/Institutional Review Board after approval of the grant.

*(Maximum 0.5 page)*

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**PART III - Collaboration**

**1. Collaboration**

Describe, if any collaboration with other institutions

**PART IV - BUDGET (MAXIMUM - US\$ 30,000 / RESEARCH)**

The budget section includes a split based on type of cost (budget item).

Research budget		
Budget items		Proposed budget (US\$)
<b>Personnel title and role in Research</b>	<b>% of time and No.</b>	
1. Co -investigator		
2. Research Coordinator/ Consultant		
3. Data Collector		
4. Data Analyst / Report writing		
5. Others		
<b>Sub total personnel</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Supplies</b>		
<b>Laboratory cost</b>		
<b>Patient costs</b>		
<b>Local travel / fieldwork (travel, hotel, per diem)</b>		
<b>Communication (including publications)</b>		

<b>Training / Orientation</b>	
<b>Vehicles fuel cost</b>	
<b>Monitoring</b>	
<b>Dissemination of Result</b>	
<b>Contingency (5% Maximum)</b>	
<b>Other expenditures</b>	
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<b>Subtotal other expenditures</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL (US\$)</b>	<b>0</b>

**PART V - LIST OF APPENDICES**

Number	Title