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Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur अनुसंधान एवं विकास कार्यालय / Office of Research & Development

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अधिसूचना / Notification

विषय/Subject: Guidelines for Negative Balance Policy for projects.

As per the approval of the Competent Authority based on the recommendation of the Institute Research & Development Committee (IRDC) in its 4th meeting, the guidelines for **Negative Balance Policy** for Projects registered with the Office of R&D is hereby notified and annexed as **Annexure A**. Form for negative balance support is attached as **Annexure B**.

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Annexure A: Negative Balance Policy

- The project may be registered on receipt of the sanction order from the funding agency on a zero-balance basis.
- After the project registration, all project activities including the procurement of equipment and recruitment of manpower can be initiated.
- For the projects with negative (and zero) balance the following guidelines will be followed:

1. Sponsored Project:

- a. **First year**: Upto a maximum of Rs.10 Lakhs or 50% of the first-year grant, whichever is lower, from the sanctioned budget for the first year (excluding overhead charges) will be admissible. Overhead amount will be deducted once the money is received.
- b. **Second year**: If the fund sanctioned for the first year has been received, upto Rs. 5 lakhs or 50% of the second-year grant, whichever is lower (only Recurring heads) will be admissible as a negative balance.
- c. Third year: If funds for the previous year have been received, the guidelines for the second year will be followed. Otherwise, upto 2.5 Lakhs or 50% of the third-year grant, whichever is lower for Recurring heads (only the salary of project staff) will be admissible as negative balance.
- 2. Faculty Fellowships: Negative balance for up to 3 months of fellowship amount will be allowed.
- 3. **Consultancy/Testing/PDA/LDA Projects:** Negative balance will not be allowed.
- 4. In case the PI fails to receive the funds from the funding agency and concludes the project, it is his/her responsibility to return the negative balance from the PDA/LDA or any other projects. In the event of failure to do so, recovery shall be made from the salary of PI.
- 5. The cases not covered under the above points will be considered by the competent authority on a case-to-case basis, depending upon the request submitted by the Project Investigator (PI) with justification and recommendation of the Dean, R&D.

Note- In case of non-receipt of the subsequent fund, PDA of the PI can be used to repay the negative balance amount of the project. The negative balance of a project has to be settled within 3 years time (starting from the project's closing date).

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Office of Research & Development Form No: R&D/Acct-12

Form for Negative Balance Support (for Project-related work)

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1.	Name of the PI	
2.	P.F. No.	
3.	Project No.	
4.	Project Title	
5.	Category of Project	
6.	Support required for year (First Year/Second Year/Third Year)	
7.	Head for which support is required	
8.	Amount (in Rs.)	
9.	Justification for Support (please use separate sheet, if required)	

Terms of Reference:

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Signature of the PI

	For Office use:							
 Project no. allotted: Department / Academic Unit: Project start date: Project end date: Remarks / Comments (if any): 								
	Submitted for approval for the Negative Balance support as per the request PI.							
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