

**SHASTRI COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESPONSE GRANT (SCPRG): CALL FOR INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS**

APPLICATION FORM

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| 1 | Name of the Lead Applicant: | Name of Co-Applicant: |
| Name of lead institution: | | Name of co-applicant's institution: |
| Mailing address: | | Mailing address: |
| Contact Number: | | Contact Number: |
| E-mail: | | E-mail: |
| Name of authorised representative (if available other than the lead applicant) in lead institution: | | Name of authorised representative (if available other than the co- applicant) in partner institution: |
| E-mail: | | E-mail: |
| Please list any awards previously received under Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute: | | Please list any awards previously received under Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute: |

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| 2 | Outside of the core academic research team, is there any involvement by entities such as: incorporated companies including start-ups; non-incorporated entities; or individuals or consortia from academia, government laboratories, non-government R&D institution? If so, please name them, provide their coordinates, and indicate their level of involvement. |
| 3 | Please indicate whether you are associated with a [SICI member institution.](https://www.shastriinstitute.org/member-council)  Yes No |
| 4 | Title of your SCPRG project: |
| 5 | Background and rationale of the proposed project (Maximum 300 words) |
| 6 | 1. Objectives /Goals: 2. Activities proposed: 3. Timeline of the project: ( Quarterly) |
| 7 | How the other members of the team and their associations will bring in a comprehensive approach to the project that you are proposing? |
| 8 | What is the proposed deliverable(s) in terms of research-based recommendations, product, and/or service? (Maximum 300 words) |
| 9 | Insofar as a product or service is envisaged, describe its Unique Selling Proposition (USP) in terms of addressing a COVID-19 challenge. |
| 10 | Evaluation Criteria   1. Ability to develop innovative understandings of the Covid-19 pandemic, and strategies for evidence-based policy development or products and technology beyond the idea stage; 2. Long term and short term impact on society; 3. Sensitivity towards gender and vulnerable groups such as migrant workers; 4. Where applicable, significant potential to commercialize within 2-3 years; 5. Innovative techniques to deal with the socio-economic and psychosocial consequences of the outbreak; 6. Budget. |
| 11 | **Project Details:**  Project Proposal maximum words 2,500-3,000 excluding bibliography. (Ensure that the proposal addresses following points clearly in relevance to your project submitted)   1. Specific research problem related to COVID-19 for which you are trying to provide a solution. It may be disciplinary or interdisciplinary in orientation, and examples of general subject areas (provided that they are directly concerned with Covid-19) may include: technology; treatment and diagnosis; impacts on the international economic order; the revival of economic development; healthcare systems; innovations in public policy; employment and social security; implications for vulnerable groups; gender and intersectionality; food security and agricultural development; the future of education and learning; poverty and sustainable development; climate change implications and lessons; disruptions of global, regional and national value/supply chains; and implications for suppliers, producers and workers. 2. Proposed solution, together with (if applicable) the underlying S&T novelty/technological innovation driving the solution; 3. Immediate and long-term effects for the global crisis in terms of creating new knowledge, building new devices, development of a vaccine, new methods of treatment & diagnosis. 4. Ways of dealing with the socio-economic and psychosocial consequences of the outbreak. 5. Societal impact of the innovative findings that have potential to address Covid-19 directly. 6. Demonstrate relevance to gender considerations and/or to the situation of vulnerable groups such as migrant workers will be an asset in adjudication; 7. Where innovative technology is involved, stage of the technology and its working prototype. 8. Are there any existing solutions? If yes, how is your solution better/different from the existing solutions in terms of features and/or affordability? 9. Association of Canadian and Indian partners, including ownership of intellectual property rights for any technology proposed to be developed and commercialized. 10. Strategy for translating research findings into societal impact, including (if applicable) business plan and commercialization strategy, and for enabling society to respond effectively to Covid-19 and potentially to subsequent pandemics. |

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| 12 | Budget & anticipated expenditures and other funding sources: | | |
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| 13 | **Please check the appropriate boxes on the right indicating that the necessary materials are included with your application. THE APPLICANT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THAT THE APPLICATION IS COMPLETE. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.** | | |
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| 1.    2.  3.  4.  5. | One original completed Shastri Application Form (with original signature) | | 🞏 |
| One Electronic/scanned copy of the Shastri Application Form (In *single pdf file includes all relevant document)* | | 🞏 |
| Certificate of Ethical Approval (if applicable) | | 🞏 |
| Curriculum Vitae of both the applicants ( not more than 10 pages) | | 🞏 |
| Employer’s Endorsement | | 🞏 |
| 14 | Signatures : | | |
| Signature of the Lead Applicant: | | Signature of the Co-Applicant: | |
| Date | | Date: | |