

Eligibility & Guidelines for Indian Applicants

1. Eligibility of Indian applicants

At the time the application is submitted, applicants must hold a full – time or equivalent position as a researcher at a university or research institute in India that is eligible to receive Grants-in-Aid for historical research.

2. Other conditions

Activities	Joint Research Projects	Joint Seminars
Terms		
Participants from India	Researchers conducting research at universities/research institutions in India who are eligible to apply for a Grant-in-Aid for Historical Research, postdoctoral researchers and students in doctoral and master courses who are sufficiently capable and experienced to carry out such projects/seminars)	
Participants from counterpart country	Researchers at a university or research institute under jurisdiction of counterpart organization in subject country	
Participants	No limitation on number of participants. Researchers who belong to institution/ organization in third countries are not allowed to participate.	No limitation on number of participants. Researchers from third countries may participate in seminars under the condition that they cover their own expenses.
Duration	6 Months	
Others	With the exception of fieldwork or presentation of research reports on Joint Research Project in an international conference, travel costs to third countries are not covered.	Seminars are to be held either in Japan or India.
	Applications to be submitted to both ICHR and JSPS by the deadlines.	

- a. The schedule for award of research funding will be as follows:

Early June 2017	Call for applications
6 September 2017	ICHR's deadline for submitting applications
April 2018 – March 2019	Start of FY 2017-18 Joint Research Projects
April 2018 – March 2019	Holding FY2017-18 Joint Seminars

Subsequently, ICHR and JSPS will exchange screening and make a joint selection.

- b. Each applicant is allowed to submit only one application.
c. Application received by the ICHR will be reviewed and shortlisted.

6 3. Expenses supported by ICHR

ICHR consigns the administration of projects to the Indian team leader's affiliated institution. When

using funds, please follow ICHR's rules. However, ICHR does not pay the institution a consignment fee.

ICHR covers the following expenses of researchers on the India team:

1) Joint Research Projects

International travel	International airfare between India and counterpart country
	Maintenance allowance(*)
Domestic travel	Domestic travel expenses for members of Indian team
	Domestic travel expenses and maintenance allowance for researchers of counterpart country during their stay in India (**)
Other expenses	Consumables, honoraria, printing, communication, meeting expenses (in India), etc.

(*) Counterpart organization will provide maintenance allowance for Indian researchers during their stay in its country.

(**) ICHR will provide maintenance allowance for Indian researchers during their stay in its country.

(***) It is recommended that more than 50% of total funding should be used for international/domestic travel.

2) Joint Seminars held in India

Domestic travel	Domestic travel expenses for members of Indian team (for joint seminar, preparatory meeting and/or debriefing held in Japan)
	Domestic travel expenses and maintenance allowance for researchers of counterpart country during their stay in India(*)
Meeting expenses	Consumables, honoraria, printing, communication, meeting expenses, reception, excursion, etc.

(*) Provided only when ICHR and counterpart organization have agreed upon such an arrangement.

3) Joint Seminars held in counterpart country

International travel	International airfare between India and counterpart country
	Maintenance allowance (*)
Following expenses incurred in India	
Domestic travel	Domestic travel expenses for members of Indian team (for preparatory meeting and/or debriefing held in India)
Meeting expenses (**)	Consumables, honoraria, printing, communication, meeting expenses (for preparatory meeting and/or debriefing), etc.

(*) Counterpart organization may provide maintenance allowance for Indian researchers during their stay in its country when such an arrangement has been mutually agreed upon.

(**) Costs for holding the seminars are to be covered by the counterpart organization.

4. Submission Deadlines: 6 September, 2017

* Please note that applicants' affiliated institutions may set earlier deadlines.

** Under no circumstances will ICHR accept applications submitted after the deadline.

5. Other instructions

- (1) Team leaders in counterpart countries are to submit their applications to ICHR's counterpart organization in their country.
- (2) Researchers who are now or have been supported under any of ICHR's international programs in the past 5 years are required to describe the results or expected results of that research activity and, if any, its relevance to the project/seminar being applied for.

6. Selection criteria for ICHR review

The following criteria are utilized in selection process:

- Scientific excellence of projects/seminars
- Necessity of cooperation, added value gained, and mutual research advancement through transfer of knowledge and expertise
- Impact of outcomes on improving the quality of life, contributing to socioeconomic development, and/or solving prevailing social issues
- Participation of young researchers and contribution to fostering them
- Feasibility and concreteness of the research plan and expectation of its advancing the research

In addition to the above criteria, the following points are also considered:

- Contribution to researcher interaction in advancing the research during the project/seminar. (Only for the Joint Research Projects. It is recommended that more than 50% of total funding should be used for international/domestic travel.)
- Appropriateness of the budget plan
- Appropriateness of the venue in case of seminar

7. Selection procedure

- (1) ICHR and counterpart organizations conduct separate reviews of the applications they receive. Based on these review results, they make joint selections.
- (2) Selection results can be confirmed on ICHR online application system.

8. Post-selection funding request to ICHR

Upon selection, Indian team leaders must submit an implementation plan and funding request using the prescribed form. ICHR will make funding allocations based on these documents and/or its budgetary condition.

9. Obligation of Indian team leaders and their affiliated institutions

- (1) Project funds allocated by ICHR are to be administered by the institution with which ICHR concluded an agreement and to which the team leader is affiliated.
- (2) Team leaders must submit a report by the designated due date, which will be given public access, according to instructions by ICHR.
- (3) Due acknowledgement of support by ICHR and counterpart organizations should be made in

any publication resulting from the projects/seminars.

10. Measures against misuse of research funds and handling of personal information, etc.

ICHR will take appropriate measures (e.g. terminate project/seminar, require reimbursement of part or all of allocated funds) in cases of misuse of research funds, improper practices (e.g. fabrication, falsification, plagiarization), unjustifiable acts (e.g. discrimination, harassment), or violation of laws.

The names and affiliations of the team leaders, project/seminar titles and reports may be disclosed on ICHR's website and in its publications.

11. Others

- (1) ICHR will not bear responsibility for any injury, sickness or accident incurred during travel related to the projects/seminars.
- (2) Principal Investigators on both sides are obligated to ensure the protection and proper distribution of intellectual property resulting from projects/seminars, in accordance with the laws and regulations of their countries. It is requested that the team leader's home institution set certain rules on attribution of intellectual property.
- (3) The ICHR and JSPS will have the first claim on the publication of the research findings.

12. ICHR & JSPS contact information

Indian Council of Historical Research(ICHR)
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And

Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS)
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E-mail: nikokukan@jps.go.jp
For Joint Research Projects/ Seminars with countries in Asia and Africa
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13. Instructions

- * The number to be selected may change due to the budgetary reasons and/or other conditions of ICHR and its counterpart organizations.
- * Indian and Japanese Principal Investigators should make sure that their counterpart Principal Investigator shall submit a matching application. Applications submitted by one side only will not be accepted.
- Based on an agreement with JSPS, the sending side will cover international travel expenses while the receiving side will cover domestic travel expenses and maintenance allowances. Costs associated with holding seminars will be covered by the receiving side.

	Max # to be selected	Duration	Funding from ICHR	Subject Areas
Joint Research Projects	01	<u>Up to 2 year</u>	<u>Up to INR 10,00,000</u>	Any field of mutual interest

Joint Seminars	02	<u>Up to 1 week</u> Seminars held during period between 1 April 2018- 30 March 2019	<u>Up to INR 2,00,000 per fiscal year</u>	related to history
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