



**Government of India
Department of Scientific & Industrial Research
Ministry of Science & Technology**

**Patent Acquisition and Collaborative Research and
Technology Development (PACE)**

Call for Proposals for financial support - First Batch

The Department of Scientific & Industrial Research (DSIR) invites proposals from **REGISTERED INDIAN COMPANIES/FIRMS/SMEs** etc under the PACE Scheme for funding development and demonstration of innovative product/ process technologies, traversing the journey from proof-of-concept or laboratory stage to pilot stage, ready to be launched for commercialization. For more information visit us at <http://www.dsir.gov.in> and see PACE Guidelines.

UNIQUE FEATURES OF PACE:

- a) Development and Demonstration of Technology by industry (either alone or in collaboration with R&D organization/ academic institution/ university in India or abroad.
- b) Loan to Indian industry and grant to Indian (foreign excluded) R&D organization/ academic institution/ university.
- c) The scheme shall support proposals in any industrial sector leading to industrially useful applications.
- d) The scheme shall support proposals which give evidence of existence of proof-of-concept and aim at fulfilling an unmet need.

ELIGIBILITY

- Company should be registered in India under the relevant Act or hold SSI/MSME registration.
- Atleast 51% of the shares of the company should be held by Indian Citizens, including NRIs.
- Industry should have IP ownership, acquired or developed by it (patented or un-patented), that will be used for value addition or up-scaling in the proposed project.
- Industry should preferably have a DSIR recognized in-house R&D unit.
- Collaborating partner, if applicable, could be Indian public funded R&D or academic institution/university or a foreign R&D institution/university.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

The prescribed guidelines and application format can be downloaded from the website: www.dsir.gov.in. The Applicants should submit five hard copies of the proposal duly signed + one soft copy [MS Word file and not a PDF file] through E.mail and by enclosing a pen drive to: **Head (PACE)**, Department of Scientific & Industrial Research, Ministry of Science & Technology, Hall-B, Technology Bhawan, New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi-110 016. Email: ashwani@nic.in super-scribing "CONFIDENTIAL, PACE PROJECT" on the document holder.

DSIR will ensure the confidentiality of the documents.

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