

Guidelines for submission of project proposal under TRC.

TRC amount is meant to be utilized to carry out research and development activities in the area of traffic and transportation engineering. The vision of the Centre is: efficiency in the use of resources, an enhanced environment including townscape and safety, economic regeneration and practicability including financial feasibility. To achieve this, the TRC plans to host research works in the following fields:

- Pavement materials and characterization
- Pavement engineering
- Traffic and transportation engineering
- Transportation planning and economics

The project which is approved for implementation is provided with a financial sanction which is subject to certain terms and conditions. The following guidelines are set to assist for smooth implementation of the project in conformity with those terms and conditions.

1. Submission of Projects: The proposal for the new projects should be submitted before January. The project proposals will be scrutinize by the TRC internal committee for checking repetition and co-ordination of projects under TRC once in a year most probably during February. The proposals will be accepted based on the review and approval of the consultative committee which is mandatory. However, the project proposals may be submitted throughout the year to facilitate smooth processing.
2. One copy of the project proposal along with the soft copy have to be submitted in the TRC office, Department of Civil Engineering, College of Engineering Trivandrum. The format for the same will be published in the web site of TRC.
3. The output of the project must satisfy the objectives of TRC mentioned above.
4. Research proposals from other Government institutions can be supported only if the proposal has a collaborator from the College of Engineering Trivandrum or RIT Kottayam.
5. Budget – Main heads are (i) Equipment (ii) Man Power – (a) Project Fellow (B. Tech/M. Tech), (b) Technical Assistant, Enumerator, Labourer, and In-house manpower used for carrying out such projects (iii) Consumables: (Chemicals, glass wares, research materials, stationary etc.) (iv) Travel& Contingencies.
6. The maximum duration of the project will be 3 years

7. A Principal Investigator can only have maximum 2 TRC projects simultaneously.
8. Ph.D. / M. Tech / B. Tech projects, part/ whole carried out using the financial assistance or data from TRC must acknowledge it in the publication and thesis report and should submit a copy of the same at TRC office, Department of Civil Engineering, College of Engineering Trivandrum, Thiruvananthapuram.
9. When the project duration has ended, the expenditure should be settled and no dues certificate from the office, College of Engineering Trivandrum and from the respective laboratory should be submitted along with other documents.