



## **(I) Partial Travel Support Scheme (PATSS) – 2019-20**

The Himachal Pradesh Council for Science, Technology & Environment (HIMCOSTE) has a scheme for providing partial travel assistance to deserving bright young Scientists and Research Scholars working in an academic or research institution located in Himachal Pradesh for participating in a National/ and International Conference/ Seminar/ Symposium/ Workshop being held within India or abroad.

The scheme does not provide assistance towards **lodging, boarding, maintenance, registration fees, taxi fare and other costs.**

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

1. He/ she should have passed at least M.Sc./B.E./ B.Tech/MBBS or equivalent degree from a recognised University/ Institute.
2. His/ her age should not be above 40 years on the date of commencement of the Conference/ Seminar/ Symposium/ Workshop.
3. His/ her paper should have been accepted for presentation. A copy of full paper along with abstract, schedule of the conference etc and acceptance letter from the organiser must be appended with the application.
4. Scientists and Research Scholars who have not received travel support from HIMCOSTE under PATSS in the previous three years are eligible for consideration.
5. The Conference/ Seminar/ Symposium/ Workshop should be of international character and repute. Applications to attend annual meetings of professional societies will not be considered.
6. Scientists and Research Scholars who have not published at least one paper in a refereed journal would not be considered.
7. Application along with all documents should be forwarded through proper channel from the Head of the Institution.
8. Applications complete in all respects should reach this office mandatorily one month before the event.
9. The Scientist/ Research scholar sanctioned travel grant under the scheme is required to provide one reprint of the research paper presented at the Conference/ Seminar/ Symposium/ Workshop invariably after its publication and photos of the session while presenting paper/oral/poster presentation.
10. The applicants recommended by Committee/ Experts will be informed by email/ post (on the email ID provided by the candidate).
11. The word partial in the Partial Travel Support Scheme (**PATSS**)-(2019-20) would mean up to a maximum of Rs. 60,000/- (or 60% of the total travel expenses) i.e. not greater than Rs.60,000/- in any case for international travel while for in-country travel, a maximum of Rs. 10,000/- (or 60% of the total travel expenses) i.e. not greater than Rs.10,000/- in any case would be supported by the State Council.

12. In-house applicants from HIMCOSTE would not be considered for partial travel assistance. They may seek travel support from their own projects as well as from various funding agencies in Govt. of India.

### **Documents to be attached with the application:**

Following documents are required to be attached with the application:

- One copy of completed application form and bio-data.
- Degree certificate (Eligibility).
- Date of birth certificate.
- A copy of letter from other national or international agency or your institution committing to bear partial cost of travel.
- Detailed letter of Invitation from organizers.
- Abstract of the paper or poster or oral presentation matter to be presented by the applicant at the conference.

### **Instructions:**

- Please ensure that all the essential documents mentioned above are properly attached and tagged with the application. **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ENTERTAINED.**
- The HIMCOSTE, in the event of selection would initially issue a commitment letter agreeing to the support. The committed amount would be reimbursed to the scientist/applicant only on his/ her return to India after participation in the conference and on submitting a detailed report, a copy of air ticket etc. within two months from the date of the Conference/ Seminar/ Symposium/ Workshop.
- The decision on the application is expected to be communicated about one week before the commencement of the conference. No interim correspondence will be possible and entertained.
- The application complete in all respects together with enclosures as indicated at para 3 above must reach the Himachal Pradesh Council for Science, Technology & Environment, Shimla at least one month prior to the commencement of the conference duly forwarded by the Head of the Institution.
- Initially in first phase applications for the national/international conferences/ seminar/symposium/workshop to be held before 30<sup>th</sup> Sep 2019 would be entertained and rest in second phase from Oct 2019 onwards till Feb 2020.
- One copy of Application Proforma superscribed as “**APPLICATION FOR PARTIAL TRAVEL SUPPORT SCHEME (PATSS)-(2019-20)**” along with all enclosures should be sent at the address given below:

### **Member Secretary (EC)**

Himachal Pradesh Council for Science, Technology & Environment (HIMCOSTE),  
**Vigyan Bhawan**, Near Udyog Bhawan, Shimla-171001 (H.P)