



Saint Gobain Research India

Joint Call for Collaborative Research Proposals

SAINT GOBAIN RESEARCH INDIA LTD (SGRI) AND INDO-FRENCH CENTRE FOR THE PROMOTION OF ADVANCED RESEARCH-(CEFIPRA)

(Deadline for Submitting Pre-proposals: November 30, 2013)

SAINT-GOBAIN RESEARCH INDIA LTD. (SGRI), a cross functional R&D center of Saint Gobain based in Chennai, a subsidiary of Saint Gobain, SA France (www.saint-gobain.com) in collaboration with **INDO-FRENCH CENTRE FOR THE PROMOTION OF ADVANCED RESEARCH (CEFIPRA)**, an autonomous body for bilateral cooperation in Science and Technology between France and India (www.cefipra.org) under its innovation program on “Sustainable habitat for hot and/ or humid climates”, launch a joint call for proposals.

Pre-proposals are invited from the Indian and French scientists/researchers of Indian and French research institutions for research proposed to be done in collaboration with SGRI.

Targeted topics for the call

- Improvement of Energy Performance of Commercial and Residential Buildings in Tropical Climates
- Measurement, Analysis and Mitigation Strategies for Indoor Air Quality in Air Conditioned Buildings in Tropical Climates
- Day Lighting in Hot-Humid Climates, with ways to Optimize Illumination along with Optical and Thermal Comfort.
- Cool Roof Technology for Hot-Humid Climates, with Performance Comparison of Various Solutions
- Comparison of Conventional versus Alternative Building Wall Options in terms of Performance and Multi-comfort
- Frugal Finishing Solutions for Quick, Standardized and Durable Construction

Research Funding

The selected projects will be funded under the program for the following components:

- Manpower: JRF/SRF/RAs/Post docs/Doctoral students may be appointed under the project
- Consumables/test materials to the research partners involved on project basis
- Equipment (Only for Indian organization)
- International airfare between France and India for participants in the joint research projects (for researchers, engineers, postdoctoral fellows, PhD students), daily allowance, accommodation and domestic travel in the receiving country during a participant's stay abroad, and domestic travel in the researcher's country.

Each selected project shall be initially funded for a period of twelve (12) to eighteen (18) months (such as for feasibility study and concept validation) with options for extensions of up to additional eighteen (18) months, up to a cumulative duration of thirty six (36) months.

[Application Eligibility](#)

Applicants should hold a permanent position as a researcher in a university or research institution in India or France.

[Application procedure](#)

Applicants should apply as per the attached format [Link 1](#)

[Review process and evaluation](#)

Pre-proposals will undergo process of evaluation and the investigators of the selected proposals will be invited for submission of full proposals for final evaluation by an expert Committee for consideration.

[Intellectual Property](#)

The rights of intellectual property (IP) arising from the program shall be worked out bilaterally between SGRI and the pertinent research institution collaborating with SGRI under this program before the project is finally selected for funding.

[Applications to be addressed to:](#)

Applicants should send their pre-proposals in e-version (in single MS Word file) to the e-mail ID: proposal@cefipra.org.

[For Further information](#)

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