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Respected Sir/Madam,

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The Ministry of Human Resource Development has recently launched the scheme "Impactful Policy Research in Social Sciences (IMPRESS)" for implementation up to 31.03.2021. Under the Scheme, 1500 research projects will be awarded for 2 years to support the social science research in the higher educational institutions and to enable research to guide policy making.

There will be 4 calls for proposals between October, 2018 to February, 2020 under the Scheme. The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), Delhi, which is the project implementing agency, has started receiving proposals for the first call through online portal: [www.impress-icssr.res.in](http://www.impress-icssr.res.in).

Under the Scheme, scholars affiliated to all Government funded Institutions including all Universities (Central and State), Private Universities/institutions with 12(B) status conferred by UGC and ICSSR funded/recognized research institutes are eligible to submit research proposals on the 11 broad thematic research areas such as: (i) State and Democracy, (ii) Urban transformation, (iii) Media, Culture and Society, (iv) Employment, Skills and Rural transformation, (v) Governance, Innovation and Public Policy, (vi) Growth, Macro-trade and Economic Policy, (vii) Agriculture and Rural Development, (viii) Health and Environment, (ix) Science and Education, (x) Social Media and Technology, (xi) Politics, Law and Economics. The detailed guidelines of the IMPRESS Scheme are available at [www.impress-icssr.res.in](http://www.impress-icssr.res.in).

All the Universities are requested to actively participate in the Scheme and encourage their faculty members to send proposals to ICSSR on the online Portal: [www.impress-icssr.res.in](http://www.impress-icssr.res.in) for consideration.

With regards

Yours sincerely,

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