

**SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROJECTS OPENED FOR ALL INDUSTRIES (This applies to StartUp also)**

1. Technology Development Fund (TDF) has been established to promote self-reliance in Defence Technology as a part of the 'Make in India' initiative. It is a Programme of MoD (Ministry of Defence) executed by DRDO meeting the requirements of Tri-Services, Defence Production and DRDO.
2. The scheme encourages participation of public/private industries especially MSMEs & Startups so as to create an eco-system for enhancing cutting edge technology capability for defence application.
3. **TDF scheme is meant primarily for MSMEs and Start-ups, any proposal from large industry will be considered only in the event when no suitable MSME(s)/start-ups has been shortlisted for the award of the project.** However, for projects which are open for all industries including large, all industries will be evaluated at par.
4. **The funding will be through provision of grant-in-aid to industries up to 90 %** of the project cost. Industries may work in collaboration with the academia or research institutions to carry out innovation, research and development. However, the contribution of such academia / research institution shall not be more than 40% of the total project cost.
5. Indian entity satisfying all of the following criteria shall be considered as eligible "Indian Vendor" for participating in TDF project:
  - i. Public limited company, private limited company, partnership firms, limited liability partnership, one Person Company, sole proprietorship registered as per applicable Indian laws.
  - ii. The entity has to be owned and controlled by resident Indian citizens with 51% Indian ownership; entity with excess of 49% foreign investment will not be eligible.
  - iii. Companies/Organizations which have been debarred/ banned/ blacklisted or the business dealings with whom have been "suspended"/ "put on hold", by the Ministry of Defence, will not be eligible for participating in TDF project. The allied/subsidiary firms of the above company will also not be eligible for participating in TDF project if it has been ordered specifically in the order for debarring/banning/blacklisting or business dealing being "suspended"/ "put on hold"]
6. Indian industry collaborating with foreign partner for any consultancy to provide details of the foreign collaboration in the DPR.
7. MSMEs need to submit its UDYAM Certificate and Start ups need to submit its DPIIT (Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade) certificate for consideration in the respective category of TDF scheme.

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8. Submission of Detailed Project Report (DPR) doesn't guarantee award of project. The industries will be shortlisted based on DTDF evaluation criteria and process guidelines.
9. Suitable technical information will be provided to the Industries on submission of NDA (Non-Disclosure Agreement) during technical interaction meeting on 'need to know' basis.
10. The company shall submit a compliance statement for all the eligibility requirements with necessary supporting documents for scrutiny.
11. SOFT / Type Approval (CEMILAC Certification) is required for all airborne systems/subsystems. The details of certification process can be seen in the guidelines published on TDF Website (<https://tdf.drdo.gov.in>).
12. **Any industry can have concurrently, maximum of 2 TDF Scheme projects as Lead DA.**
13. The company shall submit all information about their executed / ongoing / applied projects under TDF scheme during the submission of DPR.
14. The transfer / sharing of IPR will be carried out under DRDO through a committee of DRDO officers. Filing of Patents and other IPR protection will be carried out by DRDO as per broad guidelines / policy of DRDO.
15. Only equipment essential for execution of the project will be considered for funding under TDF Scheme. The essentiality of the equipment will be established through a nominated technical expert committee.
16. The DPR submission will be evaluated as per evaluation criteria attached with PDD.
17. In the event that any of the applicants or prospective awardees under the TDF Scheme have availed of, been awarded or secured a grant-in-aid or any other form of monetary assistance from Government institution for same / similar technology before applying to the TDF Scheme or during their execution of the Project, the same must be disclosed to DTDF within 30 days of change in status.
18. All exemptions and waivers to MSMEs & Startups will be applicable as notified by Govt. Of India from time to time.
19. Any Industry providing false information will be liable for action as per existing MoD guidelines.

**NOTE: DO NOT CHANGE THE CONTENTS OF THIS FORM; ANY CHANGE WILL RESULT IN THE REJECTION OF THE APPLICATION.**

**I understand and accept all terms and conditions.**

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**Signature and Stamp of Authorised Signatory of**

**Development Agency**

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