

GUIDELINES FOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND ADOLESCENCE 2021-2022



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**MAMTA Health Institute for Mother and Child
Research and Development Unit**

Scholarship on Public Health and Adolescence

A. Background

MAMTA Health Institute for Mother and Child is a not for profit organisation working on the issues of RMNCH+A, TB, HIV, and SRH and now on Non-communicable diseases for more than three decades. Its pioneering work has been around the thematic areas of Adolescent health and development, while working through building evidence base on Implementation strategies and System strengthening. Its geographical focus spreads across the country and also in countries of South and South-East Asia.

With its vast experience in Adolescent health and development at National and International level it is moved to the natural next step of establishing a “Centre for Adolescent Health & Development” with focus on building quality evidence for policies and programmes in country and in other low resource settings. All this through quality human resource and by establishing academic partnerships.

MAMTA has been conducting a Scholarship Scheme/Programme since past 6 years to promote health, socio-behavioural and policy research in priority areas that impact adolescents and is meant to develop evidence to guide policy. This scholarship in India is an opportunity for post graduates and PhD students to contribute to public health research on key issues affecting adolescent’s health to advance adolescent’s development and well-being.

The key objectives of the scheme are to:

- Strengthen and develop research in adolescent health and development
- Building the research capacity of students and researchers working in the area of public health
- Increase collaboration with National and International research partners
- Produce high quality outputs that deliver impact to the community

As part of its Scholarship programme, MAMTA will also offer mentoring support to those scholarship holders who would be interested in seeking guidance and technical inputs from experts during all the stages of the study process including design, data analysis, quality assurance, interpretation of results and scientific writing.

B. Study areas

The centres promote cross-disciplinary study affecting adolescent health, development and well-being. Some of the suggested areas of study include sexual and reproductive health, mental health, substance abuse, non-communicable disease, nutrition, injury, accidents, trauma, social determinants/drivers of health (child marriage, violence against adolescent, child abuse). This list is only indicative of the thematic areas in public health; it will not have any effect on the selection criteria. The applicant can propose to study on any topic that is of significance to public health.

C. Eligibility Requirements

Who can apply: Those who fulfil the given criteria below and have an interest in carrying out study in an area significant to adolescent health and development

Academic Qualifications: The applicant must be enrolled for a full time study in MD/PhD degree program in a relevant discipline of medical science (Community Medicine, Paediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynaecology,

Psychiatry, Dermatology and Medicine), social science, public health & allied areas, from a recognized University/Institution in India.

Age Limit: Less than 40 years

D. Structure of Scholarship

Grant Sizes:

- Up-to 10 Scholarships will be awarded annually.
- The centre will provide **Scholarship amount** up to **INR 1 lakh** for all activities, and in addition to this, up to **INR 50,000** to be granted for publication support in peer-reviewed national/international journal.

Financial support under the Scholarship will include the following:

- Primary data collection
- Documentation (e.g. report writing)
- Contingencies (stationary/photocopies/ printouts/courier and subscription charges)
- Travel and cost related with short term course related to study (data analysis, study design, how to write scientific article etc).

Financial support will NOT cover:

- Articles such as equipment, vehicle, furniture.
- Any foreign travel, any personal travels.

E. Scholarship duration

Maximum tenure of the Scholarship will be **ONE** year for the proposed study topic

F. Research Methodology Training

In addition to the Scholarship grant, all the selected candidates and their supervisors (if so desired) will be provided **one-week Research Methodology Training** in the context of Adolescent health research by **National and International experts**.

G. Procedure for submitting a Proposal and Application

Interested applicants shall need to submit the following documents for applying for this study scholarship:

- **Applications along with a study proposal/protocol** on the prescribed format (*Annexure 1*) should be submitted. This study proposal must include your topic of study, objectives, study design and outlines the study question within a framework, location, proposed methodology, implications of the study for public health programmes and policies and detailed timeline (*Annexure-2*) and budget (*Annexure-3*).
- **Certificate of Institutional Ethical Clearance**
- **Proof of enrolment in MD/PhD degree**
- **Age proof**
- **Support letter from Head of the Institution/Department** for efficient use of Scholarship
- **CV of the applicant and his/her guide/ co-guide** along with publications in the relevant area of study must be enclosed
- **A short note** (maximum 500 words) on the relevance of this Scholarship for your career advancement in adolescent health and development.

Please note that an applicant can submit only **one application/proposal** in prescribed format. Duplicate applications/proposals will be summarily rejected.

H. Selection criteria for the Scholarship:

Selection will be made on the basis of the academic record of the candidate and the quality of the proposal submitted. The applications will be screened by a screening committee based on the eligibility criteria. Applications found to meet the eligibility requirements will then be sent to a panel of experts in the area of study. The evaluation and selection for award of Scholarship will be guided by the following parameters:

- 1) Relevance of the topic
- 2) Clarity of the study question and scope
- 3) Study design/Methodology for data collection
- 4) Background of the Candidate and Guide/Principal investigator (PI)
- 5) Institutional Ethical Clearance

I. Intimation to candidate and institution to which he/she is attached

Once the proposal is selected the concerned applicant/candidate, principal investigator and institution/university shall be intimated via email/registered mail. The names of the awardees will also be posted on the MAMTA website.

J. Monitoring progress through Annual Performance Appraisal

The Scholarship holder must submit a progress reports quarterly. Strict adherence on this is highly recommended.

K. Publication

Scholarship holder can publish research papers or make presentations in conferences based on the dissertation with joint authorship or due acknowledgement to MAMTA. MAMTA will have the right to access data and also publish reports/papers or make presentations with the Scholarship holder and the Principal investigator as co-authors.

L. Submission of application

The last date for submission of study proposal by **February 15th, 2022**.

Application in the prescribed format (Annexure 1-3) along with all the documents (as listed in section G above) must be submitted in **soft copy** should reach **on or before February 15th, 2022** at the following address:

Mr. Rishi Garg
Scholarship Coordinator

Dr. Suresh Kumar Rathi
Scholarship Supervisor

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APPLICATION FORM FOR STUDY SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

Please furnish detailed information so as to enable the Expert Committee to assess the project.

SECTION 1: DETAILS OF APPLICANT

1. Name of Applicant: Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms	
2. Correspondence Address:	District: State: PIN:
3. Contact Details	
a) Mobile Number:	
b) Email ID:	
4. Date of Birth	
5. Educational Details	
6. Degree Applicable (MD/PhD)	
7. Name of the Institute/University where registered and State	Name of Institute: State:
8. Date, Month and Year of Registration	
9. Supervisor/ Guide	
a. Name:	
b. Designation:	
c. Name of Institute:	
d. Mobile No.	
e. E-mail ID:	
f. Total Number of Paper Published:	
g. Total Number of Paper Published in Adolescent Health Related:	
10. If selected, will you be interested in attending one week on Research Methodology? (Yes/No)	
11. If selected, will your supervisor be interested in attending one week on Research Methodology on Adolescent Health? (Yes/No)	

Please attach detailed Curriculum Vitae of the Applicant and Supervisors (with area specific publication)

SECTION 2: DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED STUDY PROJECT

1. Title of Proposed Project:	
2. Type of Study: Clinical / Health system / Social Science / Epidemiological Study/ Policy / Programme Evaluation/ Implementation	
3. Literature review and what is known about the study area including published articles Attach separate sheets	
4. Description of the proposal –Context, Rationale, Aim(s) and objectives Attach separate sheets	
5. Future significance of the proposed study Attach separate sheets	
6. Detailed study plan. (including study design, sample size, study site, methodology and analysis) Attach separate sheets	
7. Attach proposed study tools / Questionnaire	
8. Ethical issues in study Attach separate sheets	
9. Timeline of proposed study Attach separate sheets	

Annexure-3

SECTION 3: DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET

S.no.	Items	Amount requested in INR	Remarks/Justification if any
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
Total			

- **Budget Justification** – you must provide a detailed budget outlining how the study Support Grant will be utilized.

Annexure-4

Check List

S. No.	Particular	Soft Copy mailed (Yes/ No)	If No, Reason & Submission date
1	Proposal		
2	Presentation		
3	IEC Certificate		
4	Age Proof (Secondary Certificate / PAN / Passport/ Aadhar)		
5	Support letter from HOD		
6	Applicant CV		
7	CV of Supervisor		
8	Short note on relevance		