

Dear Colleagues

Grand Challenges India and the Program Management Unit at BIRAC (PMU-BIRAC) have announced the launch of a call on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), a program directed at addressing challenges faced in the area of AMR that are particularly relevant to India, under Grand Challenges India (GCI). Grand Challenges India is a partnership of Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, BIRAC and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

This call is run in alignment with Grand Challenges South Africa, Grand Challenges Africa and Grand Challenges Brazil and will fund projects from across these geographies which will be managed by the respective country partner.

The call aims at encouraging innovation in tackling AMR under three specific categories: solutions for better use of surveillance data to achieve actionable results, innovations in products and technologies to break infection cycles in healthcare settings and to remove antibiotics from effluents.

Please visit the following websites for the detailed Request for Proposals on the call.

<http://www.birac.nic.in/>  
<http://www.birac.nic.in/grandchallengesindia/>

You are required to submit a proposal online by May 25th, 2018. If selected, proposals may be supported for up to 18 months, funded at up to \$100,000 USD per project. These awards do not require preliminary data and are meant to provide an opportunity to develop, refine, and rigorously novel approaches to the outlined challenges.

Please be advised that the entire application process is online. For a complete understanding of the scope, please visit the microsite

<http://www.birac.nic.in/grandchallengesindia/>

In case of questions please contact: Mission Director, Program Management Unit at BIRAC, at [mdpmubmgf.birac@nic.in](mailto:mdpmubmgf.birac@nic.in) with the subject line: Grand Challenges India AMR or call at +91-1124389600

Best wishes and regards

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