

Dear Colleagues

This is for information that the MHRD Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC) will be open from October 8th, 2018.

The scheme aims at facilitating academic and research collaborations between eligible Indian Institutions and the best institutions in the world from 28 selected nations to jointly solve problems of national and/or international relevance.

The thrust areas under this scheme include

1. Fundamental Research
2. Emergent Areas of Impact
3. Convergence
4. Action-Oriented Research
5. Innovation Driven Research

In case it is planned to submit a proposal, teams should be formed in both India and one of the listed 28 countries for collaboration. Each team would have a minimum of 2 faculty + 2 students.

The details related to the above scheme are available at the following URL

<https://sparc.iitkgp.ac.in/>

Kindly note that the last date for submission of the projects is 15th November, 2018.

Best wishes and regards

Office of Dean R&D