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Sub: Invitation for New Research Proposals under SPPU-ISRO Joint Research Programme for the year 2025-26

Under ISRO-SPPU Joint Research Programme, financial support is provided by ISRO for research proposals having relevance to ISRO's present and future programmes. Research proposals related to launch vehicle technology, satellite technology, ground based systems and space sciences are supported. A list of broad topics of interest to ISRO in these areas is given in the ISRO website\* under the following links <a href="https://www.isro.gov.in/supportedAreasofResearch.html">https://www.isro.gov.in/supportedAreasofResearch.html</a> &

www.isro.gov.in/research-and-academia-interface/submission-of-research-proposal.

Proposals may be made by the faculty of Savitribai Phule Pune University and its affiliated colleges (Recognized Research Centers). Participation of ISRO Scientists as Co-PI right from the stage of formulating the proposals is mandatory. Process for final selection of the research proposals involves evaluation at 2-3 stages and also interaction with the prospective Investigators. As a first step, research proposals received in response to this invitation will be scrutinized by Preliminary Evaluation Committee (PEC) and shortlisted proposals will be called for detailed presentation. Suggestions to modify the proposals, wherever required. will be made at this stage. While assessing the new proposals, PEC also takes into account the past performance of the Investigators who have under this scheme either completed or are having an on-going project with them. The shortlisted projects will then be recommended to ISRO HQs who then distribute them among the corresponding ISRO Laboratories/Centers. The PIs of the projects recommended by the laboratories/Centers are invited for presentation during meeting of Joint Policy Committee (JPC) chaired by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, SPPU, where final acceptance/non-acceptance of the research proposal is given. Once the Project starts, Investigator is expected to submit six monthly progress reports highlighting the technical achievements and difficulties if any. All the project funds are required to be handled through PFMS. You may kindly bring the above information to the notice of faculty members in the Department/Colleges/Institute and motivate them to submit the research proposals in the prescribed format (Annexure-1) along with a soft copy to reach this Office on or before 31st October 2025. For any clarification, they may contact the undersigned. Your cooperation and support are solicited to make the ISRO-SPPU Joint Research Programme a success.

\* website link: <a href="https://www.unipune.ac.in">www.unipune.ac.in</a>  $\Rightarrow$  Homepage  $\Rightarrow$  Academics  $\Rightarrow$  Independent units  $\Rightarrow$  ISRO Cell  $\Rightarrow$  Research areas in space for STC

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