

Call for Applications: Seed Research Grants (SRG) for Newly Promoted Staff from the Lecturer (Probationary) Grade and Newly Recruited Staff

The Wayamba University of Sri Lanka (WUSL) is pleased to announce the call for applications for **Seed Research Grants (SRG)** for newly promoted staff from the Lecturer (Probationary) grade and newly recruited academic staff.

These grants are intended to support newly promoted and newly recruited academics in initiating research activities early in their academic careers, thereby strengthening the University's research capacity, output, and publication record. Eligible academic staff are strongly encouraged to take full advantage of this opportunity.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be academic staff who were **promoted from Lecturer (Probationary) or recruited to the University on or after 01 January 2026.**
- Hold the position of **Lecturer (Unconfirmed) or above** at the time of the application closing date.

Submission Guidelines

Applicants should submit a **three-page concept paper** (Times new roman/font size 12) containing the following:

1. Title of the proposed research
2. Background and justification
3. Research objectives
4. Proposed methodology
5. Total budget (indicate the amount only)
6. Expected outcomes and deliverables

The completed application should:

- Obtain the recommendations of the **Head of the Department** and the **Dean of the Faculty.**
- Be submitted to the **Chairman, SRDHC, Academic Branch, Wayamba University of Sri Lanka, Kuliapitiya.**
- Be submitted electronically as a **PDF version of the complete application** to chairsrhdc@wyb.ac.lk, with a copy to academicbranch@wyb.ac.lk.

Grant Allocation

Each Seed Research Grant will be limited to a maximum of **Rs. 200,000.00.**

Submission Deadline

Applications must be submitted no later than 12.00 noon on 30 August 2026.

Conditions of the Grant

- The allocated funds must be **fully utilized on or before 15 December 2026.**
- The research project must be **completed on or before 01 August 2027.**
- A **final research report** must be submitted to the SRHDC by **01 October 2027.**

Selection Process

A three-member committee appointed by the SRHDC will evaluate applications.

Further Information

For further correspondence and inquiries regarding the Seed Research Grants, please contact:

Chairman, SRHDC

Email: chairsrhdc@wyb.ac.lk

Academic Branch

Email: academicbranch@wyb.ac.lk

Eligible academic staff are strongly encouraged to submit their application and the concept proposal within the stipulated deadline and make full use of this opportunity to initiate and strengthen their research activities at WUSL.

Chairman
Senate Research and Higher Degrees Committee
Wayamba University of Sri Lanka