

**O-15012/35/24-Research**  
**Government of India**  
**NITI Aayog**  
**(Research & Networking Division)**

*NITI Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi*  
Dated: February 21<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Corrigendum 1: EOI for study titled “Identifying a framework for increasing access to technology to various MSMEs and reforming the apex MSME Government body”**

With reference to EOI [O-15012/35/24-Research] issued by Research & Networking Division, NITI Aayog on 31<sup>th</sup> January 2025, the following changes have been made in the EOI:

Particulars	Original	Revised
<p>Duration and Expected team strength</p> <p>Section 5(ii)-</p> <p>Restated in its entirety</p>	<p>The organisations should fulfil the following criteria for the purpose of applying for this EoI document-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience in handling project work related to the MSME sector in the past 10 years with a minimum individual project cost of INR 30 Lakhs. Preference shall be given to those organisations who have specific experience of executing such projects for Central Government Ministries, Departments or State Governments.</li> <li>• The Principal Investigator (PI)/Project Lead (PL)/Project Manager (PM) should possess a Doctorate degree in Economics, Public Policy, Artificial Intelligence, or Technology Innovations from a recognised university which has been ranked among the top 50 universities as per NIRF or amongst top 20 global universities as per QS rankings in 2024 along with a minimum of 15 years of expertise in aspects related to MSME sector. Similarly, the Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI) should possess a Masters in</li> </ul>	<p>The organisations should fulfil the following criteria for the purpose of applying for this EoI document-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience in handling project work related to the MSME sector in the past 10 years with a minimum individual project cost of INR 30 lakhs. Preference shall be given to those organisations who have specific experience of executing such projects for Central Government Ministries, Departments, State Governments, Public Sector Undertakings and multilateral organisations.</li> <li>• The Principal Investigator (PI)/Project Lead (PL)/Project Manager (PM) should possess a Doctorate degree in Business Administration, Development Studies, Economics, Finance, Public Policy, Artificial Intelligence, Technology Innovations or a degree in Engineering/technology from a recognised university which has been ranked amongst top 50 universities as per NIRF or amongst top 20 global universities as per QS rankings in 2024 along with a minimum of 15 years of expertise in aspects related to MSME sector.</li> </ul>

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Last date and time for Bid submission	Before 4.00 PM on 21.02.2024	<b>Before 4.00 PM on 12.03.2025</b>

2. The bidders who have already submitted their EOI are also eligible for re-submission based on the present corrigendum on or before the submission date and time **i.e. before 4.00 PM on 12.03.2025**. In case of multiple submissions made by any bidder, whichever EOI is submitted at the later date will be considered as the proper EOI to be further evaluated by NITI Aayog.

3. All other terms and conditions of the EOI No O-15012/35/24-Research dated 31-01-2025 shall remain valid and effective.



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