

Our response: The Biotech Hub was established in 2011 to provide a basic biotechnological infrastructure facility for students and researchers with several additional objectives by the Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India. Initially, the project duration was 3 years and extended for another 3 years which was considered as Phase I. Thereafter, in April 2023 we again received a project for the second time (Phase II) with the following objectives which were proposed in 2021.

Objectives:

1. To conduct hands-on training workshops.
2. To perform outreach activities.
3. To organize faculty improvement programmes.
4. To implement student-oriented small research projects on local bioresources.
5. To produce compost manures, mushroom biofertilizer, etc.

Although we agree with your comment, we would be grateful if you could consider the current project for the NAAC assessment based on the above objectives.

Furthermore, there are **two manpower** (1 Technical Assistant & 1 Lab Assistant) have been recruited as per the sanctioned guidelines and working in the Biotech Hub for the fulfillment of the sanctioned objectives including research activities. In fact, two research papers have been published, and many others are under review.

Note: The details of the project are attached herewith.

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No. BT/NER/143/SP44333/2021
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY
(NER-Programme)

Block 2, 6-8th Floors
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road,
New Delhi- 110 003
Dated: 21 /02/2023

ORDER

Sanction of the President is hereby accorded, under Rule 18 of the Delegation of Financial Powers Rules, 1978, for the implementation of the project entitled "**DBT-NER Institutional Level Biotech Hub at B.P. Chaliha College, Kamrup, Assam (Phase-II)**" for a period of 3 Years 0 Month at a total cost of **Rs. 3155200/-** (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Fifty Five Thousand Two Hundred Only) on the terms and conditions detailed here under:-

2 The Project:

2.1 Title: "DBT-NER Institutional Level Biotech Hub at B.P. Chaliha College, Kamrup, Assam (Phase-II).

2.2 Details of the Investigators:

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2.4 Time Schedule:

The duration of the project is **3 Years 0 Month** from the date of this sanction order.

2.5 Project Cost:

The total cost of the project is Rs. **3155200/-** (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Fifty Five Thousand Two Hundred Only) as per details given below:

S. No.	Item	Year I	Year II	Year III	Total
1	GIA-Capital (Non-Recurring)	200000.00	0.00	0.00	200000.00
2	GIA-General (Recurring)*	450000.00	400000.00	400000.00	1250000.00
3	GIA-General (Manpower)	518400.00	518400.00	518400.00	1555200.00
4	GIA-General (Overhead)	50000.00	50000.00	50000.00	150000.00
	Total	1218400.00	968400.00	968400.00	3155200.00

*Includes Consumables, Travel, Contingency, Workshop/Training/Outreach/Awareness/Popular lecture.

2.6 Equipment

The details of the equipment sanctioned for the implementation of the project at Annexure-I

2.7 Manpower:

The details of the manpower sanctioned for the implementation of the project at Annexure-II

3. Head of Account:

The Non-Recurring expenditure involved is debitale to:

Demand No. 90	Department of Biotechnology
3425	Other Scientific Research 2022-2023
3425.60	Others (Sub Major Head)
3425.60.200	Assistance to other Scientific Bodies
3425.60.200.29	Biotechnology Research and Development
3425.60.200.29.17	Assistance to Research and Development
3425.60.200.29.17.35	Grants for creation of capital assets