**Conditions attached to the Grant**

1. This sanction is subject to the condition that the Grantee Institution (GI) will furnish to the Department of Science & Technology, financial year wise Utilization Certificate (UC) in the proforma prescribed as per General Financial Rules (GFR) 2017 and audited statement of expenditure (SE) along with up to date progress report at the end of each financial year duly reflecting the interest earned / accrued on the grants received under the project. This is also subject to the condition of submission of the final statement of expenditure, utilization certificate and project completion report within one year from the scheduled date of completion of the project.

2. The GI will have to enter and upload the Utilization Certificate in the PFMS portal besides sending it in physical form to this Division. The subsequent/final instalment will be released only after confirmation of the acceptance of the UC by the Division and entry of previous Utilization Certificate in the PFMS. The GI should employ EAT module in PFMS.

3. If the grant has been released under Capital head through separate sanction order under the same project for purchase of equipment (s), separate SE/UC has to be furnished for the released Capital grant.

4. The GI will maintain separate audited account for the project and the entire amount of grant will be kept in an interest bearing bank account. **All interests and other earnings, against the released Grant shall be remitted to Consolidated Fund of India, immediately after finalization of accounts at the end of each financial year, as it shall not be adjusted towards future release of grant.** A certificate to this effect shall have to be submitted along with Statement of Expenditure/Utilization Certificate for considering subsequent release of grant/closure of project accounts. The GI should also follow Rule 230 (17) of GFR, 2017 concerning reservation of SC/ST/OBC, if applicable.

5. The grant-in-aid being released is subject to the conditions that
   (a) a transparent procurement procedure in line with the Provisions of GFR 2017 will be followed by the GI under the appropriate rules of the GI while procuring capital assets sanctioned for the above mentioned project and a certificate to this effect will be submitted by the GI immediately on receipt of the grant.
   (b) while submitting Utilization Certificate/Statement of Expenditure, the GI has to ensure submission of supporting documentary evidences with regard to purchase of equipment/capital assets as per the provisions of GFR 2017. Subsequent release of grants under the project shall be considered only on receipt of the said documents.

6. DST reserves sole rights on the assets created out of grants. Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of government grants (except those declared as obsolete and unserviceable or condemned in accordance with the procedure laid down in GFR 2017), shall not be disposed of without obtaining the prior approval of DST.

7. The account of the GI shall be open to inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit (both by C&AG of India and Internal Audit by the Principal Accounts Office of the DST), whenever the GI is called upon to do so, as laid down under Rule 236 (1) of GFR 2017.

8. Due acknowledgement of technical support/financial assistance resulting from this project grant should mandatorily be highlighted by the GI in bold letters in all publications/media releases as well as in the opening paragraphs of their Annual Reports during and after the completion of the project.

9. The overheads are provided towards meeting the cost of academic expenses including infrastructural facilities for implementation of the project.