

## **Eligibility Criteria for Private Institutions**

**Criteria I:** PI/ Co-PI should have minimum of 3 SCI/ SCOPUS indexed publications in the last three years

**Criteria II: Applicant must meet at least two of the following four conditions to be eligible to apply**

1. Accreditation Status – The institution should have the accreditation mentioned in the table

Private Institution Type	Accrediting Agencies
Engineering Institutions	DSIR/ICAR
	UGC
	NAAC A+ grade and above (valid during the year of application)
	NBA (3 programmes preceding 3 years)

2. NIRF ranking during the year of application should be <250

3. Ongoing research projects – At least two ongoing research projects with a minimum total funding of ₹30,00,000/- from State or Central Universities/Agencies

4. The PI's department must be an approved research centre of a public university in Kerala and should have full-time research scholars currently working.