

SHASTRI MOBILITY PROGRAMME (SMP)

GRANT AGREEMENT 2018-19

The grant agreement is between Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute (SICI) located at 5 Bhai Vir Singh Marg, New Delhi and **Dr. Ashwani Kumar** (herewith referred to as Awardee) with respect to Shastri Mobility Programme.

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1. The Award is for a maximum period of 3 weeks (with weekly allocation of CAD\$ 750) to teach a course (module/part of a course), offering lectures/talks, attend workshop/seminars, learn advanced pedagogy, facilitate linkages/collaborations initiation of MoU/academic partnership, administrative practices of higher education, curriculum development or to **work on a short term project** on the topic ‘**Comparative Taxonomic And Functional Investigation Of Plant Microbiome Data**’ in the areas of interest (**Botany**) as mentioned and described in your application which was evaluated and recommended by an academic adjudication committee established for this purpose.
2. The payment structure will be as follow:
 - i. **The payment will be made in three installments. The first installment** will be released one week prior to onset of journey. **The second installment** will be released upon submission of **Mid Term Report** in prescribed format to appraise the progress of the fellowship awarded.
 - ii. **10 percent of the total award** will be paid to the Awardee upon return from Canada and upon submission of a **typed final report** (on the Proforma provided by the Institute) to Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute (SICI) within fifteen days of the completion of the award and receipt of all relevant bills with the statement of expenditures.
 - iii. A one-time round trip (economy class), by the most direct route, will be arranged by the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute for travel from the nearest airport of Awardee’s place of residence to the place of Awardee’s affiliation in Canada. **Additional costs for detours, stopovers and visit to places other than SICI approved affiliation sites, will be borne by the Awardee.**