

## ACD's Call for Research Proposal

Asian Center for Development is inviting a research proposal from researchers, who have already done research work under [SANDEE](#)<sup>1</sup> banner or have been trained by SANDEE and are residing in Bangladesh, on **Valuation of ecosystem services from mangroves and coastal ecosystems**. Proposal may concentrate on valuing the benefits accruing to local people in terms of direct and indirect use of coastal or mangrove ecosystem services. The research proposal shall be within 15,000\$-20,000\$ and must be completed within June, 2015.

### Timeline

*Deadline of proposal submission: February 10, 2015*

*Final Report: June 30, 2015*

### Guidelines for Proposal Submission:

1. *Abstract*: Provide a concise description of the proposed project or activity (maximum of 100 words). Include a brief title for your project or activity.
2. *Rationale*: Provide a rationale about why the project should be funded. Demonstrate use of current research, data and other sources to form the rationale, as appropriate.
3. *Alignment with strategic priorities*: Identify which and in what way the project or activities are aligned with strategic priorities.
4. *Purpose and proposed outcomes*: Clearly state the purpose or aims of the project/activity. Delineate the proposed outcomes.
5. *Plan of Work*: Provide the specific details of the project or activity. Include a timetable and specific activities to meet the purpose and proposed outcomes. **Final Report Submission is on 30 June, 2015**

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6. *Research Method:* Indicate specifically how the results of the research will be measured. Include proposed qualitative and quantitative methodologies of the study.
7. *Budget:* Submit a complete budget; include narrative explanation / justification. **Budget limit is \$15000 to \$ 20000.**
8. *Key personnel:* Include names, titles and contact information for all key personnel. Include a brief description of each person's role in the project.

## Submission of Proposal

To receive the research grants, all participants have to submit a research proposal on valuation of ecosystem services of mangroves and coastal ecosystem. The proposal should explain the main research question addressed, as well as an idea about the methodology employed and the expected outcome. The proposal should have a length of 3 to 5 pages and should be submitted, preferably in pdf-format, to the project coordinator of ACD at the following e-mail address: [mff@acdonline.org](mailto:mff@acdonline.org)

Three research grants will be awarded on the merit of the research proposal. Proposals will be reviewed by a panel of experts. Once the proposal is accepted, research teams will be called for a workshop in Dhaka in the middle of February to finalize the research methods.