

Call for Project Proposal (2025-2026 FY)

To support and materialize the innovative ideas of the young faculty members and graduate students for the fortune of millions of people of Bangladesh, GAU has generated an Innovation Fund from the year 2019. This competitive Fund is intended to solve challenges associated with national food and nutritional security by sustainable management of natural resources. Young faculty members (below the rank of Associate Professor) and graduate students (MS & PhD) of GAU are eligible to compete for this innovative fund by submitting project under following themes:

- Conservation agriculture (CA)
- Increase cropland intensity
- Green solution: soil improvement, pest & disease control
- Urban agriculture/Vertical farming
- Hydroponics/Aquaponics (Crop & Fish)
- Low cost and innovative feed for fish, poultry and livestock
- Reproductive performances of the farm animals
- Animal welfare
- Sustainable management disease and pests
- Digital agriculture (e-agriculture)
- Innovations in horticulture / agronomy
- Farmers innovation
- Innovative tools for dissemination of new technology and outreach
- Frontier technology in agriculture
- Food and feed safety
- Blue economy

Steps of evaluation process

Three steps: Shortlisting, Screening and Expert Panel Evaluation

Maximum project funding

Maximum fund for implementing an innovative idea is BDT 100000.00 (One Lac). The amount of funds will be decided by the Expert Panel and RMW of GAU.

Proposal guidelines, submission and review process

- Individual or teams of 2-3 faculty members can submit proposal.
- Each person can only be part of one proposal.
- PI and team members must include their valid ResearchGate, GoogleScholar, Orcid, Scopus ID in the proposal.
- Submission of proposals is only through institutional email address
- Proposals must be submitted on/before **27 May 2025 (Tuesday)** through research@gau.edu.bd (soft copy) and two hard copies to the Director (Research) office through proper channel.

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- A panel of expert members will shortlist and screen submitted proposals.
- You need to present the key ideas of your proposal in front of an expert panel once your idea is shortlisted.
- Winner will be selected based on the novelty, applicability and strength of the proposal.
- Number of winning projects will be depending on the availability of the funds.
- Wining innovative project(s) will be awarded a fund or grant for implementing the idea(s).
- List selected proposal will be announced as soon as the evaluation process has been completed.
- Every PI should obey the regulations of GAU Innovation Fund.

Innovative project is hereby inviting from young faculty members and graduate students through respective supervisors for funding.

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