***Annexure-2***

**FORMAT FOR DETAILED RESEARCH PROPOSAL (Max. 4000 words)**

1. **Title-** It should be clear, informative, and distinctive. (If any suggestion given then must be included).
2. **Introduction-** It must clearly outline the significance or the rationale of the study, and the advancement it will be adding to the existing knowledge in the area proposed.Describe the problem of the investigation in detail. Give evidence of the magnitude of the problem by either giving the statistics where applicable or citations, and also based on the research question and hypothesis as proposed in the concept note.
3. **Aims & Objectives-** same as in concept note (if any suggestions given then should be included).
4. **Methodology-** You should describe the methodology in detail which will be followed to conduct the proposed research along with year-wise timelines given clearly. Give details of all the methods and procedures related to the research work research work. The study design has to be given in detail. Sample size calculation should be statistically significant. It should include theoretical and/or conceptual framework and how these considerations fit and guide your methods. You may like to include the dependent and independent variables, the sampling you would adopt, the data sources methods used to collect and analyze the data. You need to describe why you chose one method over another and one instrument over another. If you are going to use structured interviews, for example, you will describe how you will develop and pilot them. Details on IEC/IAEC approvals and other necessary approvals should also be given.
5. **Review of Literature**- A detailed review of the current and relevant literature to be given. Use journal sources and primary sources on PubMed within your area of specialization. Giving the current debates and developments you are aware of within your chosen area of research (max. 3-4 pages).
6. **Expected Outcomes-** They should be directly related to the aims and objectives. In addition it should tell about the innovativeness of the proposed research work, with a translational research value.
7. **Latest and relevant references (Vancouver style only)**