



**NCRST**  
NATIONAL COMMISSION  
ON RESEARCH, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

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### THE CALL SCHEDULE FOR 2015/2016

The National Commission on Research Science and Technology (NCRST) is a State-Owned Enterprise established in terms of the Research, Science and Technology Act, 2004 (Act 23 of 2004) to provide for the Promotion, Coordination and Development of Research Science, Technology and Innovation (RSTI) in Namibia.

The NCRST hereby presents the schedule of various calls for research proposals for funding during 2015/16 financial year, which are aligned to the Research Priorities identified in the National Programme on Research, Science, Technology and Innovation (NPRSTI) for 2014/15 to 2016/17. This schedule is aimed at assisting our stakeholders to plan their projects for submission to the NCRST for funding. Detailed calls for proposals containing criteria and closing dates for submission of proposals will be issued in the print media and on the NCRST website as per the schedule below:

Call Code	Call Type	Target Beneficiaries	NPRSTI Focus area	Call Period*
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> NCRST Call</b>	PhD Research Proposals (a) Full Time (b) Part Time)	PhD Candidates	All areas in the NPRSTI	April – June 2015 (Closed)
<b>4<sup>th</sup> NCRST Call</b>	Call for Youth Innovators	Youth	All with a special focus on Innovation	June – July 2015 (Closed)
<b>5<sup>th</sup> NCRST Call</b>	Call for Preserving Indigenous Knowledge Systems (IKS)	Senior Citizens & Young Researchers (Graduates) / Including Call for traditional / indigenous remedies & nutrition	IKS, Biotechnology and Health	Aug – Sep 2015 (Opening 15 Aug)
<b>6<sup>th</sup> NCRST Call</b>	Call for MSc Research Proposals	MSc Candidates	All areas in the NPRSTI	Aug – Sep 2015 (Opening 15 Aug)
<b>7<sup>th</sup> NCRST Call</b>	Call for SME Manufacturers / Industrial Sectors	SME's & Industry	Manufacturing	Oct- Nov 2015
<b>8<sup>th</sup> NCRST Call</b>	Call for Entrepreneurs (solutions to local authority needs)	Local Authorities & Regional Councils (Region Specific)	All [with a special focus on Land, Agriculture, Water, Sanitation & Health]	Oct- Nov 2015
<b>9<sup>th</sup> NCRST Call</b>	Call for Information & Communications Technology (ICT)	Youth, ICT guru's, Innovators	ICT, Innovation	Oct- Nov 2015
<b>10<sup>th</sup> NCRST Call</b>	Call for Improving Health Systems in Namibia	Researchers in the Health Sector	Health	Jan – Feb 2016
<b>Publications</b>	Publication of Scientific / Innovation Journals or Books	All scientific / research institutions	All areas in the NPRSTI	Aug - Sep 2015
<b>NPRSTI Strategic Calls</b>	Call for Projects within NPRSTI Strategic Priority areas (unpacked)	Lead Institutions	All areas in the NPRSTI	Jan - Mar 2016
<b>Human Capacity Development</b>	Call for Workshops & Conferences	Institutions	All areas in the NPRSTI	Aug – Sep 2015 Jan – Feb 2016

*\*Note the call period may change depending on the achievement of the timelines of the previous call. This is attributed to the current manual system of managing the grants. The NCRST endeavours to establish an online grant management system to enable efficient and effective provision of services to our clients.*