



RSSDI Digital Health Grants 2025

Objective: To drive innovation in diabetes care and improvement in operational efficiencies through use of the latest digital tools/technology including AI/ML/LLMs and to promote collaboration between RSSDI members and other stakeholders in digital diabetology ecosystem.

RSSDI will prioritize projects that address a significant issue affecting large population in India and that are possible to be scaled. Proposals which actively involve other stakeholders for relevance and effectiveness will be preferred.

Eligibility: All RSSDI members in India are eligible to apply along with a digital health partner (e.g., in Healthcare IT, Wellness, Nutrition, MedTech, Health Insurance, Academia, etc.).

Ineligibility: Proposals which do not use digital tools, and digitized data will not be considered. RSSDI Research Screening Committee members are not eligible to apply.

Amount of funding: Four grants of Rs. 12.5 Lakhs per year (aggregating to Rs. 50.0 lacs per year). Funding will be provided by RSSDI-KCDD budget, based on funding provided by KF and from additional donors.

Criteria for funding: 1) Themes are in Digital Health areas 2) Ideas are scalable 3) Deliverables lead to improvement in Digital Health, and 4) Funding is sufficient for the proposed work

RSSDI Digital Health Grants 2025 – Eligible Themes

RSSDI Digital Health Grant is developed to promote innovation in use of Digital tools for better Diabetes care

RSSDI Digital Health Grant - Eligible themes (examples)

- Development and innovative use of tools for diabetes prevention and management, behaviour change and compliance using digital tools
- Development and use of digital solutions that ease patient data entry for clinicians including AI/ML/LLMs
- Digital innovations which increase diabetes care access to rural, remote and economically disadvantaged sections
- Technology integration (e.g., CMS, EMR, HIMS, mobile health apps, etc), and medical devices (CGMs, SMBGs, Insulin pumps etc) and wearables for improved diabetes care and management
- Creation of diabetes data sharing platforms and diabetes registries for research and improved care

Note: Proposals which do not use digital tools and digitized data will not be considered. Examples of proposals excluded for funding: Purely clinical studies incl. clinical trials, Clinical research studies

RSSDI Digital Health Grants 2025 – Eligible Deliverables

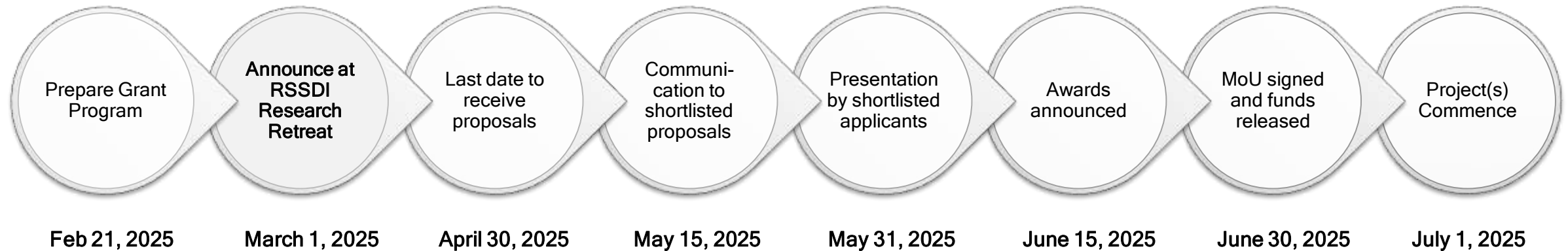
RSSDI Digital Health Grant will fund proposals which drive testing, validation or adoption of Digital tools in Diabetes care

RSSDI Digital Health Grant - Eligible Deliverable (examples)

- **Digital applications, clinical decision support tools** e.g., EMR, CMS
- **Data Analytics Tools** to analyze patient data for personalized diabetes management
- **Tele-medicine, Remote Patient Monitoring Tools** to monitor patients' health metrics from home
- **AI/ML/LLM Tools** e.g., to predict and manage blood glucose levels
- **Medical devices - Software Integration / interoperability** e.g., CGM – CMS, PHR – CMS, CMS – CMS
- **Behavioral Health Digital Interventions Programs** to manage stress, mental health, and lifestyle changes for persons with diabetes
- **Research Databases** for researchers to study diabetes trends, treatment effectiveness, and patient outcomes
- **Patient-Provider Communication Tools** to facilitate communication between patients and healthcare providers

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RSSDI Digital Health Grants 2025 - Proposed Timelines



Proposed next steps:

- Discuss RSSDI Digital Health Grant with RSSDI Leadership team & finalise plan
- Develop communication plan and outreach material (e.g., email, WhatsApp, RSSDI Website, social media)
- Prepare for launch at RSSDI Research Retreat, Madurai, March 1-2, 2025
- Identify small RSSDI team (can be same as RSSDI CMS committee) which can administer the grant

Thank you

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RSSDI Existing Grant Programs (for comparison)

Name of program	Purpose / Domain	Eligibility	Amount	Link
RSSDI Major Research Grant (1x)	Multi-centric, clinical or translational research, having long term application of scientific and clinical findings, which can translate into strategies for improving healthcare delivery, patient outcomes, & community health in India	Centres with research capabilities across India.	Rs. 10-50 Lakhs	https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/page.php?id=20 https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/pdfdata/RESEARCH-GRANT-PORTAL-FLOW-CHART.pdf
RSSDI Research Grant	Clinical or Translational research in the field of Diabetes, Endocrinology& Metabolism	??	Rs. 5 Lakhs	https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/page.php?id=20 https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/pdfdata/RESEARCH-GRANT-PORTAL-FLOW-CHART.pdf
RSSDI Research Grant (10x)	To support outstanding thesis/ research work	RSSDI member first year MD/DNB/PhD students / Research Fellows in India	Rs. 2 Lakhs	https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/page.php?id=20 https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/pdfdata/RESEARCH-GRANT-PORTAL-FLOW-CHART.pdf
RSSDI-Novartis Young Investigator Award	Clinical Diabetology, Epidemiology or Basic Science aspect of Diabetes	Scientist in India < 40 years of age Research in past 5 years	Rs.1.00 Lakhs + Certificate	https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/pdfdata/RSSDI-Novartis-Young-Researcher-Award-rssdi-2021.pdf
RSSDI-Emcure Woman Diabetologist Award (2x)	Improvement of diabetes care of women in the country	Woman RSSDI member	Rs.0.50 Lakhs + Certificate + medal	https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/pdfdata/RSSDI-Emcure-Woman-Diabetologist-Award-rssdi-2021.pdf
RSSDI-USV - Best Innovation in Diabetes Care in Challenging Situations (10x)	Innovation in 1. awareness among public 2. Detecting undiagnosed 3. Educating patients 4. Educating Practitioners 5. Management of Diabetes 6. Strategies to improve compliance	RSSDI member 3 times in life	Rs.0.25 Lakhs + Certificate + medal	https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/pdfdata/RSSDI-USV-Award-2021-Best-Innovation-in-Diabetes-Care-in-Challenging-Situations-rssdi-2021.pdf
RSSDI Fellowships (10x)	Diabetes care	> 10 yr member of RSSDI 5 Publications Nomination by fellows	No money Title of Fellow	https://www.rssdi.in/newwebsite/pdfdata/RSSDI-FELLOWSHIPS-rssdi-2021.pdf