

# Call for Proposals for Emerson CoE Fellowship for Major Project/Thesis research focused on Sustainability Studies

**AY 2024-25**

The Emerson Centre of Excellence for Sustainability Studies aims at promoting and strengthen research based learning on key areas of sustainability such as circular economy, environment and resource management, climate change, smart grid and greening of grid infrastructure, LCA based approach for water management, net zero educational campuses, municipal and industrial resources efficiency and waste management, innovative green energy technologies, environment monitoring and impact assessment, sustainable supply chain and greening of supply chain, sustainable packaging and resource efficiency, waste to energy and net-zero strategies, biotechnological applications and other sustainability studies related thematic areas. The Emerson CoE is offering Fellowship to reward outstanding major project/thesis research on such thematic areas being undertaken during the Academic Year 2024-25 by students enrolled in master's programmes at TERI SAS.

**Eligibility for Fellowship:** Student enrolled in a post-graduate programme at TERI SAS and working in the above-mentioned thematic areas for Major Project/Thesis, to be submitted in 2025.

## **Application submission:**

- **Stage I – Research Problem Statement:** Submission of the - Draft **Title** of the Major Project/Thesis and 150 words of research problem statement.
- **Stage II - Submission of Major Projects/Thesis proposal:** A succinct, literature informed and well-structured **proposal** (around 600 words), presenting content on aspects such as:
  - Rationale/significance of the topic of Major Project/Thesis
  - Research enquiry statement/research question
  - Major Project/Thesis objectives
  - Overarching methodological approach
  - Expected Major Project/Thesis outcomes

**Evaluation Criteria:** The submissions for fellowship shall be evaluated based on academic excellence in structuring of the Major Project/Thesis; and overall academic performance of applicant student.

### Dates

Announcement of Call for Proposals	13 December 2024
Last date of Research Problem Statement submission	05 January 2025
Shortlisting of Major Projects/Thesis based on 'Research Problem Statement'	03 February 2025
Submission of Major Projects/Thesis proposal	09 February 2025
Announcement of Final Awards to Major Projects/Thesis based on 'Proposal' submitted	15 February 2025
Submission of a poster based on the Major Project/Thesis proposals by selected students	25 February 2025
Acknowledgement of the Winners/Awardees at the 'World Sustainable Development Summit 2025'	05 March 2025
Submission of a 'Working Strategy Paper' (around 1500-2500 words only) based on the Major Projects/Thesis research undertaken	TBD

### Award

Each student selected by the panel for the Emerson CoE Fellowship award for the AY 2024-25 shall receive the following:

- 1 Fellowship of Rs 30 Thousand for each student selected for the award.**
- 2 Acknowledgement at the World Sustainable Development Summit 2025, on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2025.**
- 3 'Certificate of Excellence' for each student selected for the award.**
- 4 Selected 'Working Strategy Paper' to be released at an important TERI SAS event and published on Emerson CoE webpage.**

**For submission of your research proposal, refer the link below or scan the QR code:**

<https://forms.office.com/r/ZKzicYKu9R>

