

All Higher Educational Institutions (Technical & Non-technical ) of both Centre & State, will be selected through CHALLENGE method, based on certain parameters. The selected Institutions are expected to work closely with State government / District administration / PRIs / other institutions / NGOs to provide customised technological solutions, undertake field studies, study the implementation of government schemes, facilitate their implementation, according to the local needs.

While the institutions are expected to meet some expenses from their own resources, they would be partially funded by MHRD also.

The primary objectives of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (U B A) are to engage the faculty and students of Higher Educational Institutions in understanding rural realities; identify and select existing innovative technologies, customise and implement as per local needs; to allow the institutions to contribute to devise systems for smooth implementation of various government schemes.

The details of the U B A program are available in the *OM*, dated 20.02.18 (enclosed). The concept note and details are available at www.tunnat.iitd.ac.in.

Interested Institutions are encouraged to apply only online at www.unnat.iitd.ac.in , latest by 5 pm on 15.03.18. A copy of the advertisement is enclosed for ready reference.

I request you to please avail the opportunity to be part of UBA, in contributing to enrich rural India, and direct the concerned officials to apply immediately.

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