Detailed guidelines for funding of projects under Collaborative Research Programme:

The budget estimate should be as realistic as possible. The maximum quantum of budget for the project can vary upto a maximum of 200.000 euros (including both sides) for the entire duration of the project. Projects with budget above 200.000 euros will not be considered for review by the Council. Estimate should be justified, and in agreement with the scientific objectives of the project. The year-wise break-up of the budget should be in conformity with the phase-wise break-up of the project activities given in the work plan. The budget will be released to the institutions of the corresponding collaborators. The budget should be consolidated institution-wise.

Under the infrastructural facilities, details of lab space, equipment, supporting manpower, etc., which would be made available to the collaborating scientists should be mentioned. Similarly, as far as possible, existing man-power should be utilised and hiring of additional manpower should be restricted to the minimum.

• Student/Post-doc to work in the laboratories of the Collaborators in India/France

Salary for Indian side should be mentioned for JRF/SRF/RA/Master student for the duration of the project by the Principal Collaborator. One JRF/SRF/RA/Master student can be asked by Joint Collaborator if he/she is not from the same institution of Principal Collaborator. It should be indicated separately. Personnel expenses are restricted to post-doctoral/doctoral positions permitting effective exchange of personnel between India and France. The fellowships will be determined by CEFIPRA as per the recommendations of the Scientific Council. Please do not include salaries / wages of the regular staff of the institutions where the research is to be carried out, as these will not be paid or reimbursed by CEFIPRA.

For Indian side, the salary applicable for JRF/SRF/RA/Master student has been adopted by CEFIPRA as per DST guidelines. For French Labs, PhD/Post-Doc/Master student can be appointed. Fellowships for a PhD student working in French Lab will be 1500 euros per month and for Post-doc, it will be 2000 euros per month. The total amount including fellowship, social security, travel and other charges provided for Post-doc or doctoral student is Euros 60.000 for French side for the entire duration of the project.

The fellowship and social security charges for Indian students working in French Lab will be routed through Campus France. Renewal of carte de séjour and other University charges will be reimbursed to the students by CEFIPRA through Campus France. After one year of appointment in the French Lab, Indian students are supported to visit Indian PIs Lab for one month, once in their total duration of fellowship. CEFIPRA will bear the travel cost and will provide Rs.15,000/- as remuneration.

For French students working in French Lab, the sanctioned salary component will be transferred to the concerned French institution which has to take care of fellowship and all other related expenses of the students including travel from the total amount, euros 60.000.

In addition to Indian and French nationals, other nationals working in a French research organisation/University and/or registered as French students can also be appointed under CEFIPRA project, if justification for appointment is given by the French PIs/Collaborators of the project. PhD students/Post-Docs of other nationals, the budget for Manpower may be processed through Campus France or transferred to French institution.

List of possible candidates for post-doc/doctoral positions is posted on CEFIPRA web-site so that PIs of CEFIPRA projects could utilise it for the selection of desired candidates if available in the list.

• Support for equipment

As far as possible the equipment available in the institutions of the Principal/Joint Collaborators must be used for the project. However, any minor equipment and accessories which are essential for the project within the limit of maximum of 10% of total approved budget of the project (Max. 20.000Euro) will be considered for support. No equipment support is provided to French side. Strong Justification with realistic quotes has to be submitted along with the request for equipment. The quote should be submitted offline to CEFIPRA office separately.

• Recurring expenses: Consumables and contingency

Cost of Consumables & other miscellaneous expenses are covered. Please provide the list of items.

• Domestic and International Travel for the collaborators in India and France.

Project related domestic travel within India/France, International travel from India to France and France to India would be supported. Visits, for a duration less than two working weeks are not encouraged. Principal Collaborators/ Joint collaborators of the projects are not allowed to avail more than two visits without proper justification and Council's recommendation.

As per the prevailing procedures, the proposal including the budget is assessed and recommended by the Scientific Council of CEFIPRA.

The Principal Collaborators of the supported projects will be called for mid-term review at its mid-way to assess the progress of the project. The continuation of the project will be decided by the Council during the mid-term review based on the progress made under the project. If half of the budget allocated to visits is not utilized by mid-term of a project, the unutilized budget will be forfeited unless justification is provided by the PIs of the project.