



## Call for Proposal

### Students Research Grant Support Programme

#### National Trust for Nature Conservation (NTNC)

NTNC's annual Student Research Grant Support Programme invites students in final year towards pursuing their degree in natural resource management, forestry, environmental science, botany, zoology, and other related fields to apply for research grant to conduct their academic research as required by their academic programme. The research proposals will be in the topics assigned below. Number of awards will be 6 BSc and 12 MSc students. The grant amount will be a maximum NRs. 40,000 for BSc and NRs. 50,000 for MSc level research before tax deduction as per the Government rules. Applicants must be a Nepali citizen studying in institutions in Nepal.

SN	Research topics	No. of Grants
1	Dietary habits of wild carnivores outside Protected Area in Nawalpur, Parasi, Rupandehi and Kapilbastu district, Nepal	1
2	Rhino health and ecology study in Chitwan National Park	1
3	Habitat dynamics in Chitwan-Parsa complex	1
4	Focal species ecological research (pangolin, gharial, leopard, dhole) in Chitwan-Parsa complex	1
5	Ecological study on least studied taxa in Chitwan-Parsa complex	1
6	GESI in natural resource management in Chitwan-Parsa complex	1
7	Human-wildlife conflict study focusing on Himalayan Black Bear, Gaurishankar Conservation Area	1
8	Economic contribution of cottage industry (Green Industry) in livelihood of local communities, Gaurishankar Conservation Area	1
9	Visitor satisfaction, quality tourism services, carrying capacity in relation to available natural/forest resources, Gaurishankar Conservation Area	1
10	Distribution of economically important medicinal/aromatic plants including mushrooms found in high elevation (>2000 masl), Gaurishankar Conservation Area	1

11	Anthropogenic impact on fish diversity in Shuklaphanta National Park and its buffer zone	1
12	Status of small mammals in Shuklaphanta National Park	1
13	Effectiveness of artificial waterholes for the tiger and its prey base in Bardia National Park	1
14	Impacts of invasive plant species on native biodiversity of Bardia National Park	1
15	Economic loss from livestock depredation by wild carnivores in Manang, Annapurna Conservation Area	1
16	Threats to wildlife in Annapurna Conservation Area: Assessing spatial pattern and temporal trend of illegal cases	1
17	Effect of climate change on rangeland biodiversity in Upper Mustang, Annapurna Conservation Area	1
18	Contribution of tourism in local economy in Annapurna Conservation Area	1

### Application Requirements

- (i) Cover letter (1 page with research title, proposed supervisor, institution, amount requested, statement of interest)
- (ii) Letter of recommendation from supervisor and head of the campus department
- (iii) Research proposal not exceeding 6 pages (proposal format and guideline is available at [www.ntnc.org.np](http://www.ntnc.org.np))
- (iv) Recent CV (2 pages max)

Application should be submitted either at the address or the email provided below no later than March 16, 2020 (Chaitra 3, 2076).

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