Eligibility criteria

- Groups should operate in universities or research institutions in an IsDB member country and be represented by a Principle Investigator (PI).
- PIs should be nationals of an IsDB member country, hold a PhD, have good research experience, and lead his/her research group.
- One of the two groups must be in an IsDB Least Developed Country*.
- Current beneficiaries of a TWAS Research Grant in the Basic Sciences are not eligible.
- Preference will be given to applications with at least one female PI.

Eligible countries (LDMCs): Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, Comoros, Djibouti, Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Niger, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Togo, Uganda and Yemen

Programme Details

- Promotes joint research collaborations between two groups of researchers from the 57 IsDB member countries
- Supports research and innovation proposals that help address challenges directly and indirectly related to COVID-19.

The Grant

- A maximum of US$ 50,000 per group
- A duration of 24 months
- Costs covered may include scientific equipment and consumables, travel between the two institutions and field work.

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