



NATIONAL TRUST FOR NATURE CONSERVATION

Request for Proposal Student Thesis Research Grant

03 September, 2025

National Trust for Nature Conservation (NTNC) invites proposals from final-year Bachelor's and Master's students to conduct research as a requirement for the partial fulfillment of their academic degrees. Applicants must be Nepalese citizens currently studying for a Bachelor's or Master's degree in Forestry, Zoology, Botany, Environmental Science, Animal Science, Natural Resource Management, Wildlife and Protected Area Management, Veterinary Science, Rural Development, or a related field at institutions in Nepal. The prioritized research topics/themes are:

Masters level

S. N	Topic/ Theme	Study Area	Maximum grant amount in NPR
1	Religious Tourism and its impacts on cultural and biodiversity conservation in Western Nepal	Western Nepal	100,000
2	Tourism status, gaps and ways to improve nature positive tourism business in and around Rara NP	Rara National Park	100,000
3	Human-Black Bear Interactions in the Manaslu Conservation Area	Manaslu Conservation Area	100,000
4	Status of predator proof corrals and its effectiveness in deterring livestock depredation in Annapurna Conservation Area	Annapurna Conservation Area	60,000
5	Human-Black Bear Interactions in the Southern belt of Annapurna Conservation Area	Annapurna Conservation Area	60,000
6	Behavior and Activity Patterns of Snow Leopard (<i>Panthera uncia</i>) at Central Zoo, Nepal	Central Zoo	50,000
7	Comparative Study of Intestinal Parasites in Captive vs. Free-Ranging Birds: A Risk of Cross-Contamination in Central Zoo	Central Zoo	50,000

Bachelors level

S. N	Topic/Theme	Study Area	Maximum grant amount in NPR
1	Population status of Swamp Francolin and threats in Koshi	Koshi	50,000
2	Invasive Species in Annapurna Conservation Area	Annapurna Conservation Area	50,000
3	Aquatic species survey in Bhujung	Annapurna Conservation Area	50,000

Note:

The grant amount varies due to differences in study area remoteness.





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Required documents (pdf version or hard copies)

1. Cover letter
2. Recommendation from supervisor/ College.
3. Research proposal

Both electronic and hard copy submission is acceptable. The research proposal should be submitted by 26 September, 2025 (5:00 PM). For electronic submission single PDF copy should be sent to researchgrants@ntnc.org.np with subject heading Research Grant Proposal.

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