



CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



No. 01 (1) R&P/NPO/2021/  
15<sup>th</sup> September 2021

SUBJECT: **Inviting applications for SME Grants Business Recovery and Resilience Fund.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. I am pleased to share that the National Productivity Organization (NPO), Ministry of Industries and Production, Govt. of Pakistan has launched "Grant for SMEs: Business Recovery and Resilience Fund" for Covid-19 affected SMEs in collaboration with Asian Productivity Organization (APO), Tokyo, Japan. NPO is providing upto Rs. 1,000,000/- for a single project. The grants are limited in number and provided on first come first serve basis.
2. The detailed guidelines, TORs, application form, and other related information is available on NPO website [www.npo.gov.pk](http://www.npo.gov.pk). The application closing date is Sep 27, 2021.
3. You are requested to disseminate the information and advertisement to all relevant stakeholders.

With profound regards.

(Muhammad Alamgir Chaudhry)

Encl:

1. SMEs Fund Advertisement.

Copy for information and follow up to ensure healthy participation of all regions and sectors:

1. NPO Regional Offices in Pakistan

**National Productivity Organization**

**Ministry of Industries & Production, Government of Pakistan**

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## Grant for SMEs Business Recovery & Resilience Fund

National Productivity Organization (NPO) in collaboration with Asian Productivity Organization (APO)-Tokyo, Japan invites grant application from Covid-19 affected SMEs for strengthening institutional and managerial capabilities of firms/organizations and developing and/or increasing the skills and competency of workers/staff by introducing new productivity knowledge, tools, techniques, or methodology imparted through consultancy, technical assistance, mentoring, other hands-on methods and providing equipment that strengthens the capacity of targeted SMEs and/or critical sectors.

**Grants are limited in number and processed on first come first serve basis for the SMEs fulfilling the below mentioned eligibility criteria and apply as per prescribed procedure.**

### Eligibility

1. Covid-19 effected SMEs operating in the following sectors: i) Construction ii) Textile iii) Education iv) Hospitality (Hotels & Restaurants) v) Marble vi) Travel vii) ICT viii) Transport ix) Health x) Agro Food and processing xi) Manufacturing xii) Beauty parlor and hair saloons
2. Having valid NTN and Registration of SME/Business by relative authority (If Applicable)
3. Must be doing business for at least one year as one of the following:
  - a. Sole proprietor
  - b. Registered Partnership/AoP/Company
  - c. Un-registered Partnership
4. Must ensure 30% in kind contribution in the proposed activity/project.

### Funds Provision

Grant Funding Maximum upto Rs. 1,000,000/-

The grant is available in the following areas:

- a. Trainings/Resource Persons (RP)
- b. Equipments
- c. Logistic / Operational Expenses

For detailed terms & conditions and to download application form, please visit NPO's Website: [www.npo.gov.pk](http://www.npo.gov.pk)

### How to Apply

Download application form and submit along with requisite documents to Management Associate(R&P) NPO Head Office, Islamabad on or before the deadline **Sep 27, 2021**.

Women Entrepreneurs, least developed areas, and priority selected sectors are encouraged to apply.

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