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Format of Research Proposal under SECP

I.A Project title

Please use a short descriptive title of no more than 20 words.

I.B Project Summary

A project summary of no more than 250 words. It should, at a glance, provide the reader with a clear understanding of the objectives of the proposal and how these objectives will be achieved.

I.C Detailed Proposal

Detailed description of the proposed project using no more than ten pages/5000 words (excluding bibliography). This should cover the following items:

1. Introduction and motivation

- Introduction: Background, topicality/significance
- Justification/ Significance/Benefits: briefly indicate what the proposed research will accomplish and what it will contribute to advancing the

2. Objectives of Research

- The scope of the knowledge the research will explore, and how it will advance the existing knowledge base.
- The specific research hypothesis/questions and anticipated outcomes

3. Literature review:

A brief review and critique of the relevant literature, making clear how the existing body of work indicates the need for this proposed research. Indicate how you perceive your research to improve, increase or complement current knowledge in this area.

4. Research design, theoretical concepts, methodology & data sources

- Outline of research concept/design and methodology.
- Data sources, availability, and data-collection methods.

5. References

A list of references consulted in planning this research project.