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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Department of Science & Technology and Biotechnology

Vigyan Chetana Bhavan, 26/B, DD Block, Sector I, Salt Lake, Kol – 700064

No: 1291 / BS/O/Estt./1M-54/2026 Dated: 30.10.2026

To: The District Magistrates (All)(1-23)

Sub: Seva First Innovation Challenge (SFIC)

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to inform that the last date of receipt of applications has been extended to **20th November, 2026**. You are requested to take necessary action accordingly for creation of awareness and undertaking publicity as to ensure submission of optimal numbers of applications within your district.

This is to also inform that the award money in recognition of different categories is given below:

At the District Level, participants of both Open Category and Junior Category will be awarded – for top three rank holders @ Rs. 3.00 lakh, Rs. 2.00 lakh and Rs.1.00 lakh for first, second & third rank holders and Rs. 2.00 lakh, Rs.1.00 lakh and Rs.0.50 lakh for first, second & third rank holders for Junior category respectively.

At the Zonal Level, where all three states will participate in the eastern region, the proposed award money will be as Rs. 50.00 lakh, Rs. 25.00 lakh respectively in the open category only.

You are, therefore, requested to take appropriate measures to make the programme a success.

Yours faithfully,

30/10/2026

(Suman Kumar Ghosh), IAS
Special Commissioner,
Department of Science & Technology and Biotechnology

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