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Indian Institute of Technology  
Kharagpur – 721 302

REF: 2066/2023/OIR

Dated: 22.11.2023

**NOTE**

**Sub: Approval for the visit of Prof. S. Raju Kalidindi from USA for discussions on collaborative research on a SPARC project at IITKGP during December 05-08, 2023.**

Prof. Suryanarayana Raju Kalidindi from USA is scheduled to visit IIT Kharagpur during December 05-08, 2023 for discussions on collaborative research on a SPARC project (Project code MTL).

The faculty coordinator of his visit is Dr. Indrani Sen of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering department (Flag-i). As per the document submitted it is understood that all expenses including his local travel, stay, food, honorarium and other expenses will be covered from SPARC Project #2369 (Project code MTL) (Flag-ii).

The supporting documents of the visit are enclosed.

This is placed for your kind consideration and approval of the said visit.

Encl.Flag: (i) Filled-up Ministry Clearance Form

(ii) Issuance of Visa Form

(iii) Passport copy

(iv) Sanctioned budget copy (SPARC & SRIC project)

*Arup K. Roy*  
Junior IR- Executive

*Jay C. Verma*  
Junior Assistant  
22/11/23

Associate Dean AA&IR

Dean Outreach & AA

Director

*may be approved  
please Chakraborty  
22/11/2023*

*(A) approved.*

*28/11/2023*





**Office of Alumni Affairs & International Relations  
Indian Institute of Technology  
Kharagpur-721302**

**FORM FOR MINISTRY CLEARANCE  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FOR VISIT OF FOREIGN NATIONALS TO  
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KHARAGPUR, INDIA**

1	Name :	Suryanarayana Raju Kalidindi <i>Surya Kalidindi</i>
2	Nationality :	USA
3	Date of birth :	June 21, 1964
4	Place of birth :	Hyderabad, India
5	Number, Date & Place of Issue of Passport :	567062673, Sept. 19, 2019, USA
6	Visa Number (if available)	Not Applicable
7	Current residential address :	1195 E. Beechwood Dr. NW, Atlanta, GA 30327, USA
8	Permanent residential address :	Same as above
9.	Profession :	Professor
10.	Place of Employment:	Atlanta
11.	Academic Credentials:	Regents Professor and Rae S. and Frank H. Neely Chair Professor George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering School of Computational Science and Engineering School of Materials Science and Engineering Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA 30332
12.	Purpose of visit:	Conduct collaborative research with Prof. Indrani Sen's research group
13.	Period of visit:	Dec 5-8, 2023
14.	Email:	surya@multiscale.tech
15.	Day time Phone:	+1 2672354208
16.	Address of Indian Embassy where you will be applying for your visa:	Not applicable
17.	Coordinator of your visit at IITKGP/Dept :	Dr. Indrani Sen Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur





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Request for issuance of visa invitation letter to foreign citizens

Invitee details	
Name of the visitor:	Suryanarayana Raju Kalidindi
Address and contact details:	1195 E. Beechwood Dr. NW Atlanta, GA 30327 USA
Citizenship:	USA
Date of birth:	June 21, 1964
Organization:	Georgia Institute of Technology
Details of visit	
Host Dept/School/ Centre/ Office:	Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering
Activity to be undertaken at IITKGP:	Discussions on collaborative research on a SPARC project
Intended duration of stay at IITKGP :	Dec 5-8, 2023
Support provided by IITKGP (local travel, stay, food, honorarium, any other). Please give details of each type of support with funding source and proof:	Local Travel, stay, food and honorarium and other expenses will be covered from SPARC Project #2369 (Project code MTL). Sanctioned budget details from SPARC and SRIC project copies are attached
Support provided by any other organization incl. personal resources. Please give details and proof:	NA
Invited by	
Name, affiliation and signature of host:	Dr. Indrani Sen Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur
Recommended by Registrar/ HoD/ HoS/ HoC/ Dean (as appropriate)	<i>Karali Das</i> 21.11.2023 Head Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur-721302, India

Please note: Govt. rules will be followed regarding issuance of visa invitation letters



SIGNATURE OF BEARER / SIGNATURE DU TITULAIRE / FIRMA DEL TITULAR

PASSPORT  
PASSEPORT  
PASAPORTE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Type / Type / Tipo

Code / Code / Código

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**KALIDINDI**  
Given Names / Prénoms / Nombres

Given Names / Nombres: **SURYANARAYANA RAJU**

Nationality / Nationalité / Nacionalidad

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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
Date of birth / Fecha de nacimiento

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
Date of birth / Date de naissance / Fecha de nacimiento

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Authority / Autorité / Autoridad

19 Sep 2019

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Department of State

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## Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration

No.: SPARC/2019-2020/P2369/SL

Dt.: 26.07.2023

To

Dr. Indrani Sen,  
Metallurgical and Materials Engineering,  
Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur,  
India

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Sub:** Sanction letter of SPARC proposal

Based on the recommendation of the Apex Committee of SPARC, MHRD has sanctioned the following project. The details are mentioned below

**Project Code** : P2369  
**Proposal-Id** : 2369  
**Title** : Characterizing mechanical performance of materials at small length scale  
**Indian PI** : Dr. Indrani Sen (Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur)  
**Indian Co-PI(s)** : Dr. Shibayan Roy (Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur)  
**International PI** : Prof. Surya R Kalidindi (GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (GEORGIA TECH))  
**International Co-PI(s)** : Prof. Luis Barrales Mora (GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (GEORGIA TECH))

### Sanctioned Budget Details :

Budget Head	Sanctioned Amount (in INR)
Travel - International Faculty	42,09,093
Travel - International Scholar	0
Travel - Indian Scholar	11,39,195
Publication - Monograph	2,00,000
Workshop / Symposium	3,00,000
Overhead and Contingency	14,51,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>72,99,288</b>

The start date and the duration for the project are as follows

**Start Date:** 26.07.2023

**Duration:** 2 years

All procedures to be followed including expenditure will be as per SPARC norms.

As per rule 211 of GFR, the accounts of project shall be open for inspection by sanctioning authority/audit whenever the institute is called upon to do so.

The Institute has to maintain a separate account for each project.



**SPONSORED RESEARCH & INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANCY**  
**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, KHARAGPUR-721 302**

No: IIT/SRIC/MT/MTL/2023-2024/158

Dated: 06-10-2023

The undersigned is directed to convey the approval of the DEAN(R&D) of this institute to the acceptance of the following research project. The Principal Investigator(s) and Co-Principal Investigator(s) are requested to submit the progress report periodically to the sponsor endorsing a copy to DEAN(SRIC) for record. All Final Technical Reports(FTR) have to be sent the sponsor on completion of the project along with a consolidated statement of account. A copy of the FTR should be given to SRIC Office record.

1. **Name of the Research Project** : Characterizing mechanical performance of materials at small length scale (MTL)
2. **Name of the Sponsoring Agency** : Apex Committee of SPARC, MHRD, New Delhi
3. **Sanction Letter No & Date** : SPARC/2019-2020/P2369/SL , Dt. 26-07-2023
4. **Duration of the Project.** : 24.0 Months w.e.f. 26-07-2023 upto 26-07-2025
5. **Total Project Cost.** : Rs. 7299288.00
6. **Year-Wise Break-Up of grant(in Rupees)**

COMPONENT	1st Year	TOTAL
TRAVEL EXPENSE	178195.00	178195.00
OVERHEAD CHARGES	1216548.00	1216548.00
MISC. EXPENDITURE	500000.00	500000.00
CONTINGENCY	234452.00	234452.00
HONORARIUM	3570093.00	3570093.00
FOREIGN TRAVELS	1600000.00	1600000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7299288.00</b>	<b>7299288.00</b>

7. **Name of the Principal Investigator & Dept.** : Prof. Indrani Sen (13044) , Metallurgical and Materials Engineering
8. **Name of the Co-Principal Investigator & Dept.** : Prof. Shibayan Roy (15033) , Materials Science Centre
9. **Name of the Dept / Centre / School where Research Project is to be Performed.** : Metallurgical and Materials Engineering.
10. **Institute Approval Number.** : IIT/SRIC/MT/MTL/2023-2024/158
11. **Account Details.** : STATE BANK OF INDIA , A/C NO: 41089531251 , IFSC: SBIN0000202 , SPARC SUB

**Joint Registrar(SRIC)**

To:

1. Prof. Indrani Sen , Principal Investigator of the above Project.  
Through: Head , Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering , IIT Kharagpur.
2. Prof. Shibayan Roy , Co-Principal Investigator of the above Project.  
Through: Head , Materials Science Centre , IIT Kharagpur.

**Copy for Information to:**

1. Head , Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering , IIT Kharagpur.
2. DEAN(SRIC)
3. Assistant Registrar(SRIC)
4. Administrative Officer(SRIC)
5. E-Office File



**INVITATION LETTER**

Date: 29.11.2023

**To:**

**Prof. Suryanarayana Raju Kalidindi**  
**1195 E. Beechwood Dr. NW, Atlanta,**  
**GA 30327, USA.**

**Subject:** Invitation to visit the Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur during December 5-8, 2023.

**Dear Prof. Suryanarayana Raju Kalidindi,**

IIT Kharagpur is pleased to invite you during Dec 5 to 8, 2023 to carry out collaborative research with Prof. Indrani Sen's research group through SPARC scheme.

We have noted your passport details as follows:

**Name:** Suryanarayana Raju Kalidindi  
**Nationality:** USA  
**Country of present domicile:** USA  
**Passport number:** 567062673

**Place of Issue of passport:** USA  
**Issue date of passport:** 19.09.2019  
**Expiry date of passport:** 18.09.2029  
**Date of birth:** 21.06.1964

We understand that all expenses related towards your local travel, stay, food, honorarium and other expenses will be covered from SPARC project #2369 (Project code: MTL). We encourage you to bring your own medical insurance during your visit. Dr. Indrani Sen (Email: indrani.sen@metal.iitkgp.ac.in & Indian Contact no.: +91 9679908278) Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering of our Institute will be the coordinator for your visit. We would be delighted if you accept our invitation and provide your travel plans to Prof. Indrani Sen.

You may kindly use this invitation to apply for the Indian Visa.

I look forward to your positive response. Please feel free to discuss all matters pertaining to your visit with Prof. Indrani Sen.

With warm regards,



Sincerely,

*Shakiravathy*  
 30/11/2023

Associate Dean AA&amp;IR

**CC:**

- (1) Office of Registrar, IIT Kharagpur
- (2) Prof. Karabi Das, HoD, MME
- (3) Dr. Indrani Sen, MME, IIT Kharagpur

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