Bill # 71-21
The Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA)
The Pennsylvania State University

of the 71st Assembly
February 23rd, 2022

Be it decided by the Assembly of Elected Delegates,

Co-sponsorship for Indian Graduate Student Association
Co-sponsoring IGSA’s Event ‘Jashn’

(Decided: [ Y / N / A ])

Nature of the Situation:

In accordance with the missions of the Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA), the GPSA seeks to support external graduate student organizations that enrich the lives of graduate and professional students at Penn State. One of these organizations is the Indian Graduate Student Association (IGSA). Formed in the Spring of 2003, this student-run organization acts as a welcoming community for Indian graduate and professional students and post-doctoral scholars at Penn State. IGSA’s goals are to provide incoming Indian graduate and professional students and scholars the know-how of navigating the graduate/professional life in State College, help smoothen their transition to a new place, and showcase Indian culture and traditions in the diverse communities here at Penn State.

In line with its goals, IGSA is planning on hosting an event titled ‘Jashn’ on March 25th, 2022, at the Freeman Auditorium. ‘Jashn’, which loosely translates as ‘Celebration’, provides a unique platform for undergraduate and graduate students at Penn State and the Indian community in the State College area to showcase the rich Indian culture to the audiences at University Park through performing arts. IGSA aims to encourage student collaborations outside of the classroom environment as well as learn about the ever-evolving Indian performing arts through this event.
**Recommended Course of Action:**

The Graduate and Professional Student Association agrees to co-sponsor IGSA’s event ‘Jashn’ on March 25th. The total cost of the event is $6339.99, and the GPSA is being requested to fund $1500 (~23.43% of the total cost). The remaining amount is being funded by UPAC. The items to be funded are as follows:

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<td>Food (catered by India Pavilion)</td>
<td>$1300</td>
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<td>Props and decorations</td>
<td>$200</td>
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Total amount requested from GPSA: $1500

Respectfully submitted,

**Sandeep Krishnakumar**
Speaker of the Assembly
Delegate, College of Engineering

President ___________________________________________________       Affirm     Veto

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The Graduate and Professional Student Association
GPSA Co-Sponsorship Request Form

The Penn State Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) must follow certain rules when providing funding for co-sponsorships for events or other items. Please make sure to read these guidelines carefully before requesting GPSA funding.

- **The GPSA must be given one week’s notice of collaboration with any external organization.** The purpose is to ensure that the organization is in compliance with the University’s Core Values including diversity, inclusion, and equity.
- A GPSA Delegate must submit a funding bill to the Assembly, and the GPSA must be involved in planning the event. Visit gpsa.psu.edu/assembly to find contact information for current Assembly Delegates.
- A budget breakdown of event costs must be submitted with this form
- The event must be open to all students (undergraduate, graduate, professional)
- The GPSA will only fund specific line items (i.e. food, room rentals, speaker fees, etc.); preference will be given to payments made directly by the GPSA to vendors via invoice, and transfers to a student organization account or reimbursements to an individual for payments made are strongly discouraged
- Because the GPSA’s funding comes from the University Park Student Fee Board, at most up to 90% of the event cost can be funded from the GPSA for co-sponsorships

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**Request Information**

**Request Date:** Feb 15th, 2022  
**Organization Name:** Indian Graduate Students’ Association  
**Organization Contact Person:** Suhas Bettapalli Nagaraj  
**Email:** suhas@psu.edu  
**GPSA Representative Sponsoring Request:** Sandeep Krishnakumar  
**Email:** SandeepKrish@psu.edu
Event Details

Event Name: Jashn 2022  
Date and Time of Event: March 25th 2022, 4:00-8:00 PM  
Event Location: Freeman Auditorium  
Estimated Total Attendance: 300-320  
  Graduate/Professional Students: 275  
Ticket or Pre-Registration Required: Free (Preregistration required)  
Cost to Attend Event: 0 (FREE)  
Brief Event Description: As the Indian Graduate Student Association, we organize and host an annual Indian-themed cultural event in the spring semester called ‘Jashn’, loosely translated as ‘Celebration’. In accordance with the name, our goal is to provide a unique platform for undergraduate and graduate students at Penn State and the Indian community in the State College area to showcase the rich Indian culture to the audiences at University Park through performing arts. We hope that our event encourages student collaborations outside of the classroom environment as well as learn about the ever-evolving Indian performing arts.  
How Event Will Be Advertised: Posters, and social media

Funding Details

Total Requested from GPSA: 1500  
We hope that GPSA can fund the cost of props for the event and the food from India Pavillion. This breakdown is USD 1300 (Food) + USD 200 (Props for the event). The cost split up is 325*(USD 4 per person)  
Total Cost of Event: 6339.99  
Please also submit a budget breakdown of event costs with this form  
USD 1300 (Food) + USD 200 (Props for the event). The cost split up is 325*(USD 4 per person consisting of 3 items: USD 1.75+1.5+0.75 respectively) = 1300  
Funding Amount Requested From Other Sources (By Source): 4839.99 (UPAC)  
Vendors Being Used: India Pavillion (Food) & Music Mart (Audio)

Vendors Accept Penn State Purchase Orders (Yes/No): Yes  
Vendor Willing to Invoice GPSA (Yes/No): Yes  
If you answered no to both of the above questions, you will need to discuss payment options with the GPSA treasurer at least one month before your event

For GPSA Treasurer Use

Bill Number:  
Total Approved:  
Total Paid:  
Bill Close Date: