

Annexure 2: **Format of the Concept Paper/Research Proposal**

- *Tentative Title:*
- *Background/Justification/Introduction (100-500 words)*
- *Research problem/s and research questions*
- *General Objective and Specific Objectives (in point form)*
- *Literature Review (briefly indicating the most significant ones)*
- *Methodology (materials and methods)*
 - *Study site/s*
 - *Design of experiment/survey*
 - *Collection of data/information*
 - *Statistical Analysis etc.*
- *Expected outcome*
- *Time scale bar chart (Gantt chart)*
- *Certificate of ethical clearance if applicable*
- *Budget estimate*
- *References*

Note: Entire proposal must not exceed 10 pages (including tables and figures but not excluding references) and should either Microsoft Word readable document or