

## **Eligibility Criteria**

## **THT Conservation Grant**

1. The grant is open only to organisations.

2. Only one application per grant cycle may be submitted by organisations.

3. The functional existence of the organisation for 3 years, as per the registration certificate, carrying out direct on-ground conservation projects of India's natural habitats and threatened species, must be completed by 31st March 2025.

4. An average expenditure greater than or equal to INR 30 lakhs over the last three financial years (FY 2021-22, FY 2022-23, and FY 2023-24) must have been incurred by the organisation.

5. A CSR-1 certificate must be held by the organisation.

6. The organisation must be a registered not-for-profit entity in India (i.e., Society, Trust, Section 8 (previously Section 25) company, or a registered institute under Section 35(1)(ii) of the Income-Tax Act, 1961). Registration u/s 12AB of the Income-Tax Act, 1961, must be held by the organisation.

7. An 80G certificate must be held by the organisation. For institutes where the 80G certificate is not applicable, approval under Section 35(1)(ii) of the Income-Tax Act, 1961, by the Central Government will be considered.

8. Registration documents, audited financials, tax certificates, bye-laws, FCRA (if applicable), and/or similar documents must be held depending on the nature of funding/donations received. Organisations must be willing to present these documents if shortlisted.

9. Grantees must be based in India for the entire duration of the project.