

CALL FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROTECTION

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY FILING FOR KWAZULU-NATAL INNOVATORS,
RESEARCHERS, ENTREPRENEURS, AND SMMEs

REF: MKIIPF2026/01

The Moses Kotane Research Institute (MKRI) is a leading research institute in growing the economy through research and development in KwaZulu-Natal. It develops practical research-based solutions that contribute to the needs of the provincial economy by using research recommendations towards policy development and service delivery interventions. As part of development, a support opportunity exists for researchers, innovators, entrepreneurs and SMMEs who wish to protect the intellectual property for their research and innovative products or solutions (inventions). This initiative is tailored for individuals and businesses that have NEVER received support in MKRI innovation-related initiatives.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

To qualify for this program, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ Must be registered with the Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC).
- ✓ Have drawings or designs of the invention (include as part of the application).
- ✓ Must be a South African, attach a certified copy of a South African ID
- ✓ Must reside in KwaZulu-Natal, provide proof of residence.
- ✓ Submit a copy of the business registration.
- ✓ Include a detailed written proposal/concept of the project.

HOW TO APPLY

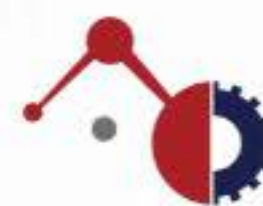
Interested applicants are invited to submit all required documents on or before the 6th of November 2026.

Applications should be submitted using the link <https://forms.gle/ucXGeeSt3MRX3onaA>. Shortlisted applicants will be required to present or demonstrate their products/solutions before a panel.

For queries, please contact Ms Asebenzile Mkunanya at: innovation@moseskotane.com

IMPORTANT NOTICE

- Ensure that all required documents are attached.
- If there is no communication within 3 weeks after the closing date, consider your application unsuccessful.
- MKRI reserves the right to appoint or not appoint.
- Assistance will exclusively be provided through this specific call, and no support will be extended beyond this opportunity.



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CLOSING DATE: 6TH OF NOVEMBER 2026

