

Selection Criteria

The applications will each be reviewed by noted photographer Mr.Dinesh Khanna, chief visual consultant of Sahapedia. Mr.Khanna will shortlist candidates after further discussions with the editorial and content teams of Sahapedia.

Selection will be based primarily on a combination of the following factors:

- Sahapedia wants the Photography Grants to help emerging photographers to build a body of work, hence we will give importance to people who can clearly communicate a desire to seriously engage with photojournalism / photography as a viable professional career.
- Stress will be given on the nature and quality of portfolio. The grants are aimed at producing professional quality photographic work and experience and expertise in handling a DSLR Camera must be highlighted through previous work / current portfolio.
- Sahapedia's editorial team will judge the ability of photographers to build a cohesive visual narrative over a larger set of images on a particular focus area, instead of a collection of stand-alone individual images. Applicants are strongly advised to review the currently published work on <https://www.sahapedia.org/sahapedia-frames> to get an idea of the kind of form, content, structure and narrative we expect in our photo-essays.
- The written proposal must have a clearly defined subject matter and a geographical focus area. It should highlight the importance of the subject from a cultural point of view. Sahapedia has a clear vision of promoting India and South Asia's culture, history, heritage, environment and arts, and proposed subjects should fall broadly within those categories. You can read the proposals from the previous Grants here: <https://www.sahapedia.org/sahapedia-frames-photography-grant>
- The proposals should clearly have a strong element of visual interest which can be documented photographically only and not through other mediums.
- Photographers will be interviewed at a later stage for further clarification about their work and submitted proposal.