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Asia Art Archive in India and Inlaks India Foundation are pleased to announce the open call for AAA-Inlaks Art Grant 2020, dedicated to supporting innovative approaches to practising art today. Artists of Indian citizenship residing in India between the age of 25 to 35 years are eligible to apply.

The aim of the grant is to encourage artists to propose and test new forms of art-making that incorporate research, collaboration, workshops, and formal experiments as a way to examine the technologies and ecosystems of information that shape our times.

The provocation to candidates applying for this grant is: *What shall we do with the archive?*

Candidates are invited to propose projects that explore new imaginations and architectures, new sensoria and interfaces of the archive while looking at existing archives. In a world where hyper-connectivity of information is the norm, what forms of connectivity do we find in bygone eras, and how might they be made to reincarnate now? This open call seeks proposals that demonstrate a critical approach and bold thinking around the archive as concept, as systems, and as medium.

No outcome in the form of a finished artwork is expected for this grant. Applications will be assessed on the basis of how clearly ideas have been formulated and how rigorously they propose to be explored. Proposals with projects that are a continuation of ongoing work are eligible to apply for this grant.

Proposals can engage with any of the following:

- Archives pertaining to any field: art, music, cinema, theatre, law, science, medicine, and meteorology to name a few
- Artists' personal archives: scrapbooks, letters, diaries, photo-albums, etc.
- Public libraries
- Databases
- Anthologies
- Timelines and bibliographies
- Time travel

Eligibility: Artists of Indian citizenship residing in India between the age of 25 to 35 years. Collectives are eligible to apply provided all members are Indian citizens and not more than 35 years in age.

Duration of Grant: 15 February 2020–14 February 2021

Grant Amount: Up to Rs. 200,000

Deadline for Applications: Sun, 15 December 2019

Selection Process: Candidates will be shortlisted for interviews on the basis of their application, and a decision for one successful application will be made in liaison with an invited jury member, the Inlaks Shivdasani Foundation, and Asia Art Archive in India. **Only** the successful candidate will be notified on or before 10 February 2020.

Click [here](#) to view Application Guidelines.

All applications along with the supporting documents are to be **submitted online only** to both gladys@inlaksfoundation.org and artgrant@aaa.org.hk, latest by Sun, 15 December 2019. Incomplete submissions will not be considered.

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