



Call for Expression of Interest (EOI)

Mini Research Paper Competition 2025

National Banking Institute Ltd. (NBI), the apex banking and finance academy of Nepal, has been actively contributing to capacity building and knowledge enhancement of the financial sector since its establishment in 2009. In line with its objective to foster a culture of research and innovation within the banks and financial institutions (BFIs) sector, NBI announces a ***“Mini Research Paper Competition”*** for the year 2025.

NBI invites interested employees from A, B, C, D Class of BFIs to submit a concept paper of 500-1000 words, including problem statement, research objective, conceptual framework, and methodology in any of the below research areas by **22nd November 2025**.

Research Areas for A, B & C Class BFIs

Digital Banking
Expected Credit Loss Model
Sustainable Finance
Employee Development
Branchless Banking
Credit Management
Risk Management
Anti-Money Laundering
Ethics in Banking

Research Areas for MFIs

Climate Resilience
Client Protection
MFIs Model
Micro-Insurance
Mission Drift in MFIs
Digitalization
Sustainability
Ethics in Microfinance Organizations

Note: While participants may choose any specific topic of interest listed above, their research must be relevant to and aligned with BFIs.

Participants whose concept paper is shortlisted will be invited to prepare and submit full Mini Research Papers (5,000–6,000 words) in accordance with NBI guidelines. Interested participants may submit their concept paper individually or jointly, with co-authored submissions allowed; however, each paper may include a maximum of two authors. Winners of the competition will receive certificates, cash prizes ranging from Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 25,000 and recognition through publication.

Click the link below to submit your concept paper.

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