RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS BY UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP FOR SCHEDULED CASTE CANDIDATES

The Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship (RGNF) Scheme for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled tribes is formulated and funded by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The scheme is open to candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe who wish to pursue higher studies such as regular and Full-time M.Phil./Ph.D degree in Sciences, Humanities Social Sciences and Engineering & Technology. There are 2000 slots for Scheduled Caste and 667slots for Scheduled Tribe Candidates every year for all the subjects.

Target Group : Unemployed SC/ST Candidates who have passed the Post Graduate examination in the subject concerned and who desire to pursue full-time research without JRF of UGC-NET or UGC-CSIRNET

Eligibility : The candidate should belong to SC/ST and should have passed the Post Graduate examination. The selection will be made on the basis of merit of the candidates

MAULANA AZAD NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP FOR MINORITY STUDENTS

The Maulana Azad Fellowship for Minority Students is formulated and funded by the Ministry of Minority Affairs. The scheme is open to candidates who belong to any one of the Minority Communities, i.e., Muslim, Sikh, Parsi, Buddhist and Christian and wish to purse higher studies such as regular and full time M.Phil./ Ph.D. degree in Sciences, Humanities, Social Sciences and Engineering & Technology. There are 756 slots every year for all the subjects and 3% fellowships are reserved for Physically Challenged candidates belonging to Minority Community as per the provision laid down by the Government of India.

Target Group : The candidates belonging to one of the minority communities who have passed the Post-Graduate examination with minimum 50% marks in the subject concerned and who desire to pursue full time research without JRF of UGC-NET or UGC -CSIR NET.

Eligibility: A candidate has to fulfil the following conditions to become eligible for the award of this fellowship:

(i) He/she should belong to one of the minority communities- Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist, and Parsi, notified under section 2 (c) of the National Commission for minorities Act, 1992.

(ii) He/she should submit the minority certificate on self- declaration basis on a non- judicial stamp paper of rupees ten, until the State Government/ Union Territory Administration starts to issue the minority community certificate.

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POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP TO WOMEN CANDIDATES

UGC has initiated a scheme for Post-Doctoral Fellowship for women candidates who are unemployed and holding Ph.D. Degree in their respective subject areas with an aim of accelerating the talented instincts to carry out the advanced studies and research.

Target Group: Unemployed women with Ph.D. degree and aptitude research.

Eligibility:

(I) The candidates must have a Doctorate degree in the relevant subject preferably with published research work to their credit.

(ii) In case of general/open category, the candidates should have 55% marks at UG level and 60% marks at PG level. For reserved categories (SC/ST/OBC/PH) the candidates should have 50% at UG level and 55% marks at PG level. The upper age limit is 55 years for the candidates belonging to general/open category and 60 years for the candidates belonging SC/ST/OBC/PH/ Minority communities, as on 1st July of the year of application.

NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION TO SCHEDULED TRIBE STUDENTS

The National Fellowship Scheme for Scheduled Tribes which has been renamed as National Fellowship for Higher Education of ST Students is formulated and funded by Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The scheme is open to candidates who belong to Scheduled Tribe and are pursuing higher studies such as regular and full time M.Phil./Ph.D. degree in Sciences, Humanities, Social Sciences and Engineering and Technology. There are 750 slots for Scheduled Tribe candidates every year for all the subjects.

Eligibility: The Fellowship will be available only to the ST candidates who fulfill the following conditions for the award.

(I) The candidate belonging to ST should have passed the post-graduate examination for being eligible for the fellowship.

(ii) The candidate must be registered for regular and full-time M.Phil./Ph.D. course in any of the University/ Institute/ Colleges recognized by U.G.C. under section 2 of the UGC Act/ICAR by fulfilling conditions for admission of the concerned University/ Institute/ College.

(iii) The students once considered eligible for the fellowship shall not be entitled for any other fellowship of the Central or State Government for the same study.

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POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP TO SCHEDULED CASTE /SCHEDULED TRIBE CANDIDATES

Eligibility

(i) The Candidates must have a Doctorate degree in the relevant subject preferably with published research work to their credit.

(ii) Only Ph.D. awarded, unemployed candidates will be eligible for the award of post-Doctoral Fellowship.

(iii) The upper age limit for male applicants is 50 years as on 1st July of the year of application, and 55 years in the case of female candidates.

(iv) The candidates of SC/ST categories having 50% marks at UG level and 55% marks at PG level are eligible to apply under the scheme.

(v) The candidates who have already availed/availing Post-Doctoral Fellowship under any other Post-Doctoral Fellowship scheme will not be eligible for the Post-Doctoral Fellowship to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidate scheme.

This scheme has been initiated keeping in view the social background of the candidates from the deprived sections of the society and to provide them an opportunity to undertake advanced studies and research in Sciences, Engineering and Technology, Humanities and Social Sciences in Indian Universities/ Institutions/Colleges. The objective of the scheme is to provide an opportunity to SC/ST candidates to undertake post-Doctoral research in Sciences, Engineering and Technology, Humanities and Social Sciences at Indian Universities/ Institutions/Colleges.

Target Group : Unemployed candidates from the deprived sections of the society with Ph.D Degree and aptitude for research.

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UGC-JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP IN SCIENCE, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

The Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) scheme of the University Grants Commission (UGC) is open to candidates who qualify the National Eligibility Testing (NET) of the UGC and the UGC – Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) joint test. However, it must be noted that these are qualifying tests only and do not entitle one for a fellowship upon the candidate.

Target Group: Candidates who have qualified **UGC NET or UGC- CSIRNET.**

Eligibility : Candidates who have qualified in UGC NET or the UGC- CSIR NET.

However, the selection for the JRF is made by the Universities/Institutions/Colleges.

Dr.D.S.KOTHARI POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP IN SCIENCES

Post-Doctoral research is an important enabling step in grooming young researchers for launching an academic/research career. This is a transition phase from a largely supervisor-directed student at doctoral level to an independent researcher for leadership position, particularly in academia and offers a platform for transit into cross-disciplinary areas.

Eligibility:

- Candidates who have either received a Ph.D. degree or submitted their Ph.D. thesis are eligible to apply. When selected, those holding the Ph.D. degree will be directly awarded the name PDF. Those who have submitted their Ph.D. thesis may be awarded a 'Bridging fellowship' (with marginally reduced stipend) until they are formally awarded the Ph.D. degree.
- The fellowship is awarded on a yearly basis with renewal/ termination clause on the basis of PDF mentor/peer group appraisal. The maximum duration of the PDF award would be 3 years. Candidates should give an undertaking while availing the award, along with endorsement from the research mentor, that they would stay in a place for a minimum of six months.

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Human Research Development Group

Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) will be awarded each year by CSIR directly to those possessing the following qualification and experience.

M.Sc. /B.E/B.Tech. or equivalent degree with at least 55% marks and one publication in SCI journal and should have completed at least two years of post M.Sc/B.E./B.Tech research experience.

(OR)

M.Tech./M.E. or equivalent degree in engineering/ technology with at least 60% marks;

(OR)

M.B.B.S/B.D.S. or equivalent degree with at least 60% marks and one year internship;

(OR)

B.Pharm./ B.V.Sc./B.Sc. (Ag) or equivalent degree with at least 55% marks and one publication in SCI and should have completed at least three years of research experience.

(OR)

M. Pharm./M.V.Sc./M.Sc. (Ag) or equivalent degree with at least 55% marks and one publication in SCI and should have completed at least one year of research experience.

DST – INSPIRE FELLOWSHIP FOR PURSUING Ph.D, DEGREE PROGRAMME

Department of Science and Technology (DST) proposes to have a highly productive and user friendly, electronic knowledge-based software application that offers effective implementation of INSPIRE FELLOWSHIP.

Mode of application: Online

Selection Process

- Two-tier selection process i.e., screening of eligible applications by an Internal Committee, followed by final selection through an Expert Committee. However, the selection process will be completed within 6 months from the date of application received at the DST and the result of the selection process will be communicated to the selected candidate and will also be uploaded in the Website; www.inspire-dst.gov.in.

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Eligibility :

- INSPIRE scholar having secured minimum 65% marks in aggregate or equivalent CGPA at M.Sc. or Integrated M.S/M.Sc. course.
- 1st rank holder at University level examination (not an autonomous college level examination) of overall full-time post-graduate program in science Engineering/ Technology/ Agricultural/ Pharmacy/ other Applied Science streams and undergraduate in Medicine i.e. M.B.B.S. However, university shall consider providing 1st rank for a minimum batch size of 10 students in that University level examination with minimum aggregate of 60% marks of the entire program. However, merely having the eligibility for the INSPIRE Fellowship will not guarantee the final offer of fellowship. Expert Committee will finally take a decision on selection based on the research proposal of the fellow.

INDIAN COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH (ICSSR) FELLOWSHIPS

(Senior Fellowships and Post- Doctoral Fellowships)

ICSSR invites proposals for Senior Fellowship and Post – doctoral Fellowship every year. The research proposal may belong to anyone of the social science disciplines or may be interdisciplinary in nature. The recognized disciplines are **(i)** Sociology and Social Anthropology: **(ii)** Political Science/ Public Administration and allied subjects; **(iii)** Economics and allied subjects **(iv)** International Studies; **(v)** Social Geography and Population Studies; **(vi)** Commerce and Management; **(vii)** Social Psychology and allied subjects; **(viii)** Education and allied subjects; **(ix)** Social Linguistics/ Social – Cultural and allied subjects; **(x)** National Security and Strategic Studies; **(xi)** Other interdisciplinary areas in Social sciences and areas of its interface with other disciplines of research. Within the framework of Social Sciences, an effort is made to promote interdisciplinary studies.

The applicants are requested to indicate the discipline under which their proposal falls.

Eligibility :

- Senior Fellowships are awarded to social scientists who have done quality research work in the social sciences and have publications of papers in professional journals to their credit. In addition, civil servants, journalists and social workers who have been recognized for their academic interests would also be considered. There is no age bar for this category of fellowship.

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- Post-Doctoral Fellowships are awarded to scholars, preferably below the age of 50 years, who have shown significant competence in research work, have completed their Ph.D. in Social Sciences, and desire to work on approved research themes at institutions of excellence under the guidance of senior social scientists. The supervisor should not be superannuated and should be in employment at the affiliating institution or other academic Institution/University/Colleges.

ICMR SENIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP/RESEARCH ASSOCIATE

Senior Research Fellowship provide opportunities to bright young men and women to pursue research and training invariably leading to Ph.D./M. D etc., under experienced researchers/investigators of repute in the field of biomedicine.

Research Associateships are awarded to encourage young research workers who have good quality published work to their credit to pursue research work in biomedicine on specific research programmes as post-doctoral fellows.

Eligibility:

- Upper Age limit for Senior Research Fellowship is 35 years.
- For Research Associateship the upper age limit is 40 years (in case of women candidates the upper age limit is relaxed by two years)

Qualification:

i) Senior Research Fellowships

M.Sc. (Life Sciences,) M.A (Social Sciences), Master in Medical Social work (M.S.W.) degree holders with two years research experience

M.B.B.S./B.D.S./M.Pharm./M.E./M.Tech. degree holders.

ii) Research Associateship

Doctorate degree in Medicine namely M.D/M.D.S. or Ph.D. in any field.