

ICPR Fellowship

Draft guidelines for advertisement and regulation



Indian Council of Philosophical Research

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Applications are invited for ICPR Fellowship 2017 -18

The Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR) invites online application for Fellowships from eligible scholars for Research in Philosophy or its allied disciplines for the fellowships for the Batch / Year 2017-18. Details of the fellowship, eligibility criteria, instructions, and online application procedure etc., may be seen on www.icpr.in Last date for online submission of application is 21 days from the publication of this advertisement. Applicants are required to submit online fees Rs. 500 in the case of General/OBC category whereas SC/ST category candidates are required to pay the fee of Rs. 200 only. The Council reserves the right to consider award of fellowship even if one has not applied for the same.



भारतीय दार्शनिक अनुसंधान परिषद्

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भारतीय दार्शनिक अनुसंधान परिषद् (भा.दा.अनु.परि.) वेच / वर्ष 2017-18 के लिए फेलोशिप के लिए पात्र विद्वानों से दर्शनशास्त्र या इसके सम्बद्ध विषयों पर शोध कार्य हेतु ऑनलाईन आवेदन आमंत्रित करती है। फेलोशिप, पात्रता मानदंड, निर्देश, और ऑनलाईन आवेदन प्रक्रिया आदि का विवरण www.icpr.in पर देखा जा सकता है। आवेदकों द्वारा ऑनलाईन आवेदन-पत्र की अंतिम तिथि इस विज्ञापन के प्रकाशन से 21 दिन की है। आवेदकों को ऑनलाईन फीस सामान्य / ओबीसी श्रेणी के मामले में रुपये 500, एवं अनुसूचित जाति / अनुसूचित जनजाति वर्ग के उम्मीदवारों को रुपये 200 जमा करनी होगी। परिषद् फेलोशिप प्रदान करने का अधिकार सुरक्षित रखती है और ऐसे किसी विद्वान को देने पर विचार कर सकती है भले ही उसने आवेदन न किया हो।

Indian Council of Philosophical Research

(Fellowship funding rules and terms and conditions)

The main objective of ICPR Fellowship Scheme is to promote research in philosophy at various levels by providing opportunities to scholars, especially the young scholars, to be engaged on a whole time basis, in research projects on themes of their choice. The themes of research generally fall under the major areas of investigation in the field of philosophy and related disciplines as identified by the Council as the following.

- Theories of Truth and Knowledge.
- Basic Values Embodied in Indian Culture and their relevance to National Reconstruction.
- Normative Inquiries (Ethics and Aesthetics).
- Interdisciplinary Inquiries (Ethics and Aesthetics).
- Philosophy, Science and Technology.
- Philosophy of Man and the Environment.
- Social and Political Philosophy
- Philosophy of Law.
- Comparative and Critical environment Study in the Philosophical Systems/Movements
- Religion.
- Logic, Philosophy of Mathematics and Philosophy of Language.
- Metaphysics.
- Philosophy of Education.
- Philosophy of Social Sciences.
- Philosophy of mind and Consciousness Studies.

Categories of Fellowships

Junior Research Fellowships: The value of the Junior Research Fellowship will be Rs.17,600/- p.m. (consolidated) for a full time regular Ph.D. scholar or as revised by the ICPR from time to time; A Contingency Grant of Rs.16,500/- per annum is admissible for all JRFs, The contingency grant is meant for meeting expenditure incurred in connection with the research work, such as field work, computer use and data processing, and other items admissible for the purpose. There is no provision for pay protection in this category of fellowship. The fellowship is offered for a period of two years.

General Fellowships: The fellowship amount in this category is Rs. 30,800/- per month and contingency grant is Rs. 22,000/- per annum. The fellowship is

offered for a period of two years. There is provision for pay protection in this category of fellowship.

Senior Fellowships: The fellowship carries monthly emolument of Rs. 44,000/- and a contingency grant of Rs. 44,000/- per annum. The fellowship is offered for a period of two years.

All the above categories of Fellowships are awarded for a period of two years. However, if the work done by the fellow during his/her tenure is found publication worthy, the fellowship may be extended to the third year in such exceptional cases.

JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

1 Eligibility for Award:

- 1.1. Candidates who hold a Master's degree of a recognized university in any areas or allied disciplines having secured second class with minimum 55% marks or equivalent grade are eligible to apply;
- 1.2. For SC/ST candidates a relaxation of five percent is admissible, i.e. having secured second class with minimum 50% marks or the equivalent grade;
- 1.3. Candidates should not be more than 40 years of age (relaxation in age by 5 years permissible in case of SC/ST candidates) as on 1 July of the year in which the Application is submitted;
- 1.4. The candidates must have confirmed Ph.D. registration on the date of Application for award of doctoral fellowship;
- 1.5. Candidates must be registered for the Ph.D. programme in a Department of a Public Funded University/ Institute that is recognized for the conduct and award of the Ph.D. degree;
- 1.6. Candidates who have earlier availed a full doctoral fellowship for a period of 2 years and above from any public agencies such as UGC (JRF), shall not be eligible to apply; An Undertaking to the effect must be furnished by the scholar in the prescribed format contained in the Application Form;
- 1.7. A Fellow who has availed a Fellowship (except JRF) from the ICPR will not be eligible for another Fellowship from this Council for the next five years from the date of the acceptance of the final report by the Council.
- 1.8. Defaulters of any previous grant from ICPR under any scheme will not be eligible for consideration until the applicant obtains the clearance from the ICPR.
- 1.9. Preference will be given to students who are likely to complete their thesis within a period of two years. No Fellowship can ordinarily be given to a student after five years of registration.

Application Process for JRF

Call for Applications will be made by ICPR website and Employment News. All Applicants should apply through online portal only.

1. [necessary forms to be filled from the online portal]
Annexure-I. Abstract of the approved Research Proposal in around 500 words;
Annexure-II. Two copies of detailed Research Proposal not exceeding 5000 words;
Annexure-III. Brief Academic CV of the applicant;
Annexure-IV. Undertaking that the scholar has not availed a full doctoral fellowship for a period of more than 3 years from any other public agencies
Annexure V. Forwarding letter from the Registrar/Head/Dean/Principal of the Institution where the Fellowship will be located.
Annexure VI. A duly attested SC/ST certificate, if applicable.
Annexure VII. A copy of Ph. D. Registration Certificate duly self-attested
AnnexureVIII. Self-attested copies of certificates in support of all educational qualifications

2. Procedure for Award of the JRF

- 2.1. Applications received through online Portal will be first screened for their valid attachments and eligibility as per the laid norms in this guideline. The list of eligible candidates to be called for test and/or interview will be uploaded on the ICPR website.
- 2.2. The shortlisted Applications will be called for test and/or interview on their own cost. No TA/DA etc. shall be provided by ICPR.
- 2.3. The result of test and/or interview will be placed before the ICPR Research Project Committee for approval and the list of selected candidates will be uploaded on ICPR web site.
- 2.4. The Award letters will be issued/mailed within two months after the approval of the ICPR Research Project Committee.
- 2.5. The scholar will be required to submit all documents mentioned in the ICPR Award letter within the stipulated time period. In case, the awardee does not respond/ cannot join within a period of three months from the date of issue of the Award letter, the Application shall be automatically treated as withdrawn.

3. Obligations of the Forwarding Institution

- 3.1. The affiliating institution shall provide the requisite research infrastructure to the Doctoral Fellow and maintain proper accounts;
- 3.2. The forwarding institution, where the fellowship is proposed to be located, shall furnish an Undertaking to administer and manage the ICPR grant and provide logistical support for the

research, in the prescribed format contained in the Application Form;

- 3.3. The institution shall be under obligation to ensure submission of the Ph D thesis or Final Manuscript and the audited Statement of Accounts and Utilization Certificate (in the prescribed form GFR 19-A), duly certified by a chartered accountant (Finance Officer in case of Central /State Universities), for the entire expenditure incurred. If any amount of grant is not likely to be utilized, the unspent balance should be refunded to the ICPR at the earliest.

4. Terms and Conditions For ICPR Junior Research Fellowship

- 4.1. Since the fellowship is a fulltime assignment, the Fellow is not supposed to be in any other assignment or employment and should also not undertake any such assignment during the 2 years period of not the fellowship. However, a Doctoral Fellow may undertake non-remunerative teaching assignment for not more than 4 hours a week (e.g., assisting in tutorials, evaluation of papers, etc.) which can help him/her in future as a teacher;
- 4.2. The Fellow shall not, without the prior permission of the Council, join any other regular course of study.
- 4.3. In case a Fellow wishes to leave the fellowship before the end of the tenure, he/she shall obtain prior approval of the ICPR. Application to that effect shall be submitted through the supervisor one month in advance of discontinuance of the fellowship indicating specific reasons for the same;
- 4.4. Any change in the topic of research shall be intimated to the ICPR after the topic is duly approved by the authorities of the university concerned;
- 4.5. An undertaking of the Fellow, countersigned by the supervisor and HOD, in a non-judicial stamp paper of worth Rs. 10/- has to be furnished at the time of joining the fellowship, which should include the following clauses (a) to (f).
 - a. Declaration of Fellow's own identity with name, gender, date of birth, father's name and addresses, name of fellowship selected for at ICPR and title of the research topic.
 - b. I am not in any other assignment or employment at the time of joining the fellowship and shall not also undertake any such assignment during the 2 years period of the fellowship.
 - c. I shall behave in a disciplined manner and would abide by the norms of ICPR.
 - d. I shall refund the entire amount of fellowship and contingency grant received till date, in the event of discontinuation / termination of the fellowship.

- e. I shall abide by the terms and conditions of the fellowship and additions as well as modifications thereof. In case of non-compliance of terms and conditions, Council may take action as it considers fit. Students who have any disciplinary action/enquiry pending against them or found guilty are not eligible to apply.
 - f. Legal dispute, if any, will be settled in the Court of Delhi.
- 4.6. "The time available for the Fellows under the ICPR fellowship will be only 3 years to submit their final manuscript from the date of their joining failing which they may have to forgo the further dues from the Council." However, last three months installment of the fellowship will be put on hold till the final manuscript is received.
- 4.7. In addition to the other terms and conditions. Affidavit may be submitted prior to release of fellowship grant. The fellowship period would be from the date of joining the fellowship for a period of two years only.
- 4.8. During the tenure of the fellowship, two types of reports have to be submitted. (a) Monthly progress / attendance report (MPR) in prescribed format, at the end of every month, on the basis of which monthly payments will be released. Scanned copy can be sent by email. (b) Six monthly progress report (SMPR) showing academic progress in prescribed format at the end of six months (i.e., one installment) on the basis of which, if the report is satisfactory, the next installment will be released.
- i. In case articles published or seminars, conferences attended which is related to the fellowship project work during the term of fellowship, a due acknowledgement to ICPR must be made and the matter must be furnished with six monthly progress report. At the end of the 2 years term of the fellowship, the Fellow has to submit the final manuscript in a bound form, along with a e-copy PDF format in a single file of entire thesis. The first right of the publication of manuscript is with ICPR if it declines the fellow can get it published from anywhere else.
 - ii. If the progress reports are not submitted within 3 months of the due date and/or the report is not satisfactory, the fellowship will not be released. The fellowship will eventually be terminated. The amount released till then will be recovered from the fellow.
- 4.9. The General and Junior Research Fellows are required to visit the Academic Centre at Lucknow for at least 2 weeks in the 2 years period of fellowship.
- 4.10. The Contingency amount for expenditure in respect of stationary, typing, printing, photocopying, books, journals and travel (up to 3rd AC rail fare for General and Junior Research

Fellows) will be released on the installment basis on production of statement of expenditure along with supporting bills / receipts / vouchers / tickets, etc., in original with self-attestation and dates on each of them. Rupees 5,000/- will be deducted from the contingency towards the e-life-subscription fee for the Council's journal, JICPR, in favor of the Fellow, provided the Fellow is not already a life member for the Journal. However, the first installment of contingency grant will be released on the basis of an anticipated expenditure. Fellows will get e-tokens of JICPR, an official journal of ICPR.

- 4.11. A Utilization Certificate (UC) of all the payments and expenditure will be produced with SMPR and the UC of last installment to be submitted at the time of submitting final manuscript. For this, a record of all the payments and expenditure has to be maintained by the Fellow.
- 4.12. The Fellowship amount would be transacted on pro-rata basis per month by money transfer through ECS directly to fellows' bank account, for which the Fellow has to furnish the account details along with a cancelled Cheque.
- 4.13. Within 5 years of acceptance of the fellowship, no other fellowship can be accepted from ICPR.
- 4.14. The fellow is required to open a separate Aadhar card linked account in Canara Bank for transfer of the fellowship amount.
- 4.15. A fellow can avail leave for a maximum period of 30 days in a year in addition to general holidays observed by the affiliating institution. Leave may be taken by a Fellow with the approval of the supervisor. In case this leave is not utilized within a year, it cannot be carried over to the subsequent year. The general holidays, however, do not include the vacation period, e.g., summer, winter and pooja vacations. Any leave in excess of the annual limit of 30 days, taken for whatever reasons, will be without the fellowship. Women candidates will be entitled maternity leave; and CCL as per rules.

5. Documents to be furnished at the time of Accepting / Joining the Fellowship

- 5.1. Joining Report (bearing title of the research) along with a copy of Ph. D. Registration, both to be authorized by Supervisor, HOD and Registrar / Equal Officer. (The Registrar Office may keep a copy of all the details of documents sent to ICPR).
- 5.2. Undertaking on stamp paper.
- 5.3. Details of bank account (Account Holders (the Fellows) name in Bank account, Account No., IFSC Code of the Bank, Name of the bank, Branch and Address with Phone No.s) and a cancelled Cheque from the same bank.
- 5.4. Last Salary Details, (Only for in-service Candidates)
- 5.5. Consent letter from the Supervisor duly forwarded by HOD

- 5.6. Acceptance letter from Registrar/Head/Dean/Principal stating that all facilities in the institutions will be provided for the research of the Fellow under the ICPR fellowship.
- 5.7. An anticipated contingency expenditure of first six months.
- 5.8. An email ID, Contact Phone No. and Address for communication.

GENERAL FELLOWSHIP

6. Eligibility for Award

- 6.1. The General Fellowships are awarded to scholars who have shown significant promise and competence in independent research as it is evident from their publications in the form of books and/or research articles.
- 6.2. The award of this category of fellowship is determined on the basis of quality of the candidates' research work produced in the form of published work (books or articles) or even in unpublished form.
- 6.3. General Fellowship shall be given to those who have already Ph.D. degree as per existing U.G.C. norms.
- 6.4. Candidates who hold a Master's degree of a recognized university in any of philosophy or allied discipline having secured second class with minimum 55% marks or equivalent grade are eligible to apply;
- 6.5. For SC/ST candidates a relaxation of five percent is admissible, i.e. having secured second class with minimum 50% marks or the equivalent grade;
- 6.6. Candidates should not be more than 50 years of age (relaxation in age by 5 years permissible in case of SC/ST candidates) as on 1 July of the year in which the Application is submitted; A Fellow who has availed of a Fellowship (from the ICPR) will not be eligible for another Fellowship from the ICPR for the next five years from the date of the acceptance of the final report by the Council.
- 6.7. Defaulters of any previous grant from ICPR under any scheme will not be eligible for consideration until the applicant obtains the clearance from the ICPR.

7. Application Process for General Fellowship

- 7.1. Call for Applications will be made by ICPR website and Employment News. All Applicants should apply through online portal only.
- 7.2. [necessary forms to be filed from online portal]
Annexure-I. Abstract of the approved Research Proposal in around 500 words;
Annexure-II. Two copies of detailed Research Proposal not exceeding 5000 words;
Annexure-III. Brief Academic CV of the applicant;

Annexure-IV. Undertaking that the scholar has not availed a full doctoral fellowship for a period of more than 3 years from any other public agencies

Annexure V. Forwarding letter from the Registrar/Head/Dean/Principal where the Fellowship will be located

Annexure VI. Consent letter from the supervisor and his/her brief bio-data

Annexure VII. A duly attested SC/ST certificate, if applicable

Annexure VIII. Self-attested copies of certificates in support of all educational qualifications

8. Procedure for Award of the General Fellowship:

- 8.1. Applications received through online will be first screened for their valid attachments and eligibility portal as per the laid norms in this guideline. The list of eligible candidates to be called for test and/or interview will be uploaded on the ICPR website.
- 8.2. The shortlisted Applicants will be called for test and/or interview on their own cost. No TA/DA etc. shall be provided by ICPR.
- 8.3. The result of test and/or interview placed before the ICPR Research Project Committee for approval and the list of selected candidates will be uploaded on ICPR web site.
- 8.4. The Award letters will be issued/emailed within two months after the approval of the ICPR Research Project Committee.
- 8.5. The scholar will be required to submit all documents mentioned in the ICPR Award letter within the stipulated time period. In case, the awardee does not respond/ cannot join within a period of three months from the date of issue of the Award letter, the Application shall be automatically treated as withdrawn.

9. Obligations of the Forwarding Institution

- 9.1. The affiliating institution shall provide the requisite research infrastructure to the General Fellow and maintain proper accounts;
- 9.2. The forwarding institution, where the fellowship is proposed to be located, shall furnish an Undertaking to administer and manage the ICPR grant and provide logistical support for the research, in the prescribed format contained in the Application Form;
- 9.3. The institution shall be under obligation to ensure submission of the Final Progress Report and the audited Statement of Accounts and Utilization Certificate (in the prescribed form GFR 19-A), duly certified by a chartered accountant (Finance Officer in case of Central Universities), for the entire expenditure

incurred. If any amount of grant is not likely to be utilized, the unspent balance should be refunded to the ICPR at the earliest.

10. Terms and Conditions for ICPR General Fellowship

- 10.1 Since the fellowship is a fulltime assignment, the Fellow is not supposed to be in any other assignment or employment and should also not undertake any such assignment during the 2 years period of not the fellowship. However, a Doctoral Fellow may undertake non-remunerative teaching assignment for not more than 4 hours a week (e.g., assisting in tutorials, evaluation of papers, etc.) which can help him/her in future as a teacher;
- 10.2 The Fellow shall not, without the prior permission of the Council, join any other regular course of study.
- 10.3 In case a Fellow wishes to leave the fellowship before the end of the tenure, he/she shall obtain prior approval of the ICPR. Application to that effect shall be submitted through the supervisor one month in advance of discontinuance of the fellowship indicating specific reasons for the same;
- 10.4 Any change in the topic of research shall be intimated to the ICPR after the topic is duly approved by the authorities of the university concerned;
- 10.5 An undertaking of the Fellow, countersigned by the supervisor and HOD, in a non-judicial stamp paper of worth Rs. 10/- has to be furnished at the time of joining the fellowship, which should include the following clauses (a) to (f).
 - a. Declaration of Fellow's own identity with name, gender, date of birth, father's name and addresses, name of fellowship selected for at ICPR and title of the research topic.
 - b. I am not in any other assignment or employment at the time of joining the fellowship and shall not also undertake any such assignment during the 2 years period of the fellowship.
 - c. I shall behave in a disciplined manner and would abide by the norms of ICPR.
 - d. I shall refund the entire amount of fellowship and contingency grant received till date, in the event of discontinuation / termination of the fellowship.
 - e. I shall abide by the terms and conditions of the fellowship and additions as well as modifications thereof. In case of non-compliance of terms and conditions, Council may take action as it considers fit. Students who have any disciplinary action/enquiry pending against them or found guilty are not eligible to apply.
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- 10.6. "The time available for the Fellows under the ICPR fellowship will be only 3 years to submit their final manuscript from the

date of their joining failing which they may have to forgo the further dues from the Council.” However, last three months installment of the fellowship will be put on hold till the final manuscript is received.

- 10.7. In addition to the other terms and conditions. Affidavit may be submitted prior to release of fellowship grant. The fellowship period would be from the date of joining the fellowship for a period of two years only.
- 10.8. During the tenure of the fellowship, two types of reports have to be submitted. (a) Monthly progress / attendance report (MPR) in prescribed format, at the end of every month, on the basis of which monthly payments will be released. Scanned copy can be sent by email. (b) Six monthly progress report (SMPR) showing academic progress in prescribed format at the end of six months (i.e., one installment) on the basis of which, if the report is satisfactory, the next installment will be released.
- 10.9. In case articles published or seminars, conferences attended which is related to the fellowship project work during the term of fellowship, a due acknowledgement to ICPR must be made and the matter must be furnished with six monthly progress report. At the end of the 2 years term of the fellowship, the Fellow has to submit the final manuscript in a bound form, along with a e-copy PDF format in a single file of entire thesis. The first right of the publication of manuscript is with ICPR if it declines the fellow can get it published from anywhere.
- 10.10. If the progress reports are not submitted within 3 months of the due date and/or the report is not satisfactory, the fellowship will not be released. The fellowship will eventually be terminated. The amount released till then will be recovered from you.
- 10.11. The General Fellows are required to visit the Academic Centre at Lucknow for at least 2 weeks in the 2 years period of fellowship.
- 10.12. The Contingency amount for expenditure in respect of stationary, typing, printing, photocopying, books, journals and travel (up to 3rd AC rail fare for General Fellows) will be released on the installment basis on production of statement of expenditure along with supporting bills / receipts / vouchers / tickets, etc., in original with self-attestation and dates on each of them. Rupees 5,000/- will be deducted from the contingency towards the e-life-subscription fee for the Council's journal, JICPR, in favor of the Fellow, provided the Fellow is not already a life member for the Journal. However, the first installment of contingency grant will be released on the basis of an anticipated expenditure. Fellows will get e-token of further copies of official journal of ICPR i.e. JICPR.

- 10.13. A Utilization Certificate (UC) of all the payments and expenditure will be produced with SMPR and the UC of last installment will be submitted at the time of submitting final manuscript. For this, a record of all the payments and expenditure has to be maintained by the Fellow.
- 10.14. The Fellowship amount would be transacted on pro-rata basis per month by money transfer through ECS directly to fellows' bank account, for which the Fellow has to furnish the account details along with a cancelled Cheque.
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- 10.17. A fellow can avail leave for a maximum period of 30 days in a year in addition to general holidays observed by the affiliating institution. Leave may be taken by a Fellow with the approval of the supervisor. In case this leave is not utilized within a year, it cannot be carried over to the subsequent year. The general holidays, however, do not include the vacation period, e.g., summer, winter and pooja vacations. Any leave in excess of the annual limit of 30 days, taken for whatever reasons, will be without the fellowship. Women candidates will be entitled maternity leave; and CCL as per rules.

11. Documents to be furnished at the time of Accepting / Joining the Fellowship

- 11.1. Joining Report (bearing title of the research) (through the The Registrar/equal officer, Office may keep a copy of all the details of documents sent to ICPR).
- 11.2. Undertaking on the stamp paper.
- 11.3. Details of bank account (Account Holders (the Fellows) name in Bank account, Account No., IFSC Code of the Bank, Name of the bank, Branch and Address with Phone No.s) and a cancelled Cheque from the same bank.
- 11.4. Last Salary Details, (Only for in-service Candidates)
- 11.5. Consent letter from the Supervisor duly forwarded by HOD
- 11.6. Acceptance letter from Registrar/Head/Dean/Principal stating that all facilities of the institution will be provided for the research for the Fellow under the ICPR of the institution fellowship.
- 11.7. An anticipated contingency expenditure of first six months.
- 11.8. An email ID, Contact Phone No. and Address for communication.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIPS

12. Eligibility for Award

- 12.1. Senior Fellowships are usually awarded to the scholars having publications of a very high order to their credit. These fellowships are

meant for well-known senior professional scholars in philosophy who have made a significant contribution to philosophy as is evident from publication of their research papers and books.

- 12.2. A Fellow who has availed of a Fellowship (from the ICPR) will not be eligible for another Fellowship from the ICPR for the next five years from the date of the acceptance of the final report by the Council.
- 12.3. Defaulters of any previous grant from ICPR under any scheme will not be eligible for consideration until the applicant obtains the clearance from the ICPR.

13. Application Process for Senior Fellowship

Call for Applications will be made by ICPR website and Employment News. All Applicants should apply through online portal only.

1. [necessary forms and filed for online portal]
Annexure-I. Abstract of the approved Research Proposal in around 500 words;
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Annexure V. Forwarding letter from the Head of the Institution where the Fellowship will be located, if applicable,
Annexure VI. Annexure VII. A duly attested SC/ST certificate, if applicable.
Annexure VIII. Self-attested copies of certificates in support academic credentials.

14. Procedure for Award of the Senior Fellowship:

- 14.1. Applications received through online portal will be first screened for their valid attachments and eligibility as per the laid norms in this guideline. The list of eligible candidates to be called for test and/or interview will be uploaded on the ICPR website.
- 14.2. The shortlisted Applications shall be placed before the ICPR Research Project Committee for selection and approval and the list of selected candidates will be uploaded on ICPR web site.
- 14.3. The Award letters will be issued/mailed within two months after the approval of the ICPR Research Project Committee.
- 14.4. The scholar will be required to submit all documents mentioned in the ICPR Award letter within the stipulated time period. In case, the awardee does not respond/ cannot join within a period of three months from the date of issue of the Award letter, the award shall be automatically treated as withdrawn.
- 14.5. It may be noted that the award of this category is not restricted to the applicant only. The council reserves the right to consider any eminent scholar if he or she may not have applied.

15. Obligations of the Forwarding Institution

- 15.1. Senior Research Fellow may work independently or may join affiliated Institution/University.

- 15.2. In the case of joining an affiliating institution following shall be applicable.
- 15.3. The affiliating institution shall provide the requisite research infrastructure to the Doctoral Fellow and maintain proper accounts;
- 15.4. The forwarding institution, where the fellowship is proposed to be located, shall furnish an Undertaking to administer and manage the ICPR grant and provide logistical support for the research, in the prescribed format contained in the Application Form;
- 15.5. The institution shall be under obligation to ensure submission of the final Progress Report and the audited Statement of Accounts and Utilization Certificate (in the prescribed form GFR 19-A), duly certified by a chartered accountant (Finance Officer in case of Central Universities), for the entire expenditure incurred. If any amount of grant is not likely to be utilized, the unspent balance should be refunded to the ICPR at the earliest.

16. Terms and Conditions for ICPR Senior Fellowship

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- 16.2. In case a Fellow wishes to leave the fellowship before the end of the tenure, he/she shall obtain prior approval of the ICPR. Application to the effect shall be submitted one month in advance of discontinuance of the fellowship indicating specific reasons for same;
- 16.3. Any change in the topic of research shall be intimated to the ICPR.
- 16.4. An undertaking of the Fellow, countersigned by authority of forwarding institute (only in the case of institution, if applicable), in a non-judicial stamp paper worth Rs. 10/- has to be furnished at the time of joining the fellowship, which should include the following clauses (A) to (F).
 - (A) Declaration of Fellow's own identity with name, gender, date of birth, father's name and addresses, name of fellowship selected for at ICPR and title of the research topic.
 - (B) I am not in any other assignment or employment at the time of joining the fellowship and shall not also undertake any such assignment during the 2 years period of the fellowship.
 - (C) I shall behave in a disciplined manner and would abide by the norms of ICPR.
 - (D) I shall refund the entire amount of fellowship and contingency grant received till date, in the event of discontinuation / termination of the fellowship.
 - (E) I shall abide by the terms and conditions of the fellowship and additions as well as modifications thereof. In case of non-compliance of terms and conditions, Council may take action as it considers fit. Candidate who have any disciplinary action/enquiry pending against them or found guilty are not eligible to apply.

- (F) Legal dispute, if any, will be settled in the Court of Delhi.
- 16.5. "The time available for the Fellows under the ICPR fellowship will be only 3 years to submit their final manuscript from the date of their joining failing which they may have to forgo the further dues from the Council." However, last three months installment of the fellowship will be put on hold till the final manuscript is received.
 - 16.6. In addition to the other terms and conditions. An Affidavit may be submitted prior to release of fellowship grant. The fellowship period would be from the date of joining the fellowship for a period of two years only.
 - 16.7. During the tenure of the fellowship, two types of reports have to be submitted. (a) Monthly progress / attendance report (MPR) in prescribed format, at the end of every month, on the basis of which monthly payments will be released. Scanned copy can be sent by email. (b) Six monthly progress report (SMPR) showing academic progress in prescribed format at the end of six months (i.e., one installment) on the basis of which, if the report is satisfactory, the next installment will be released.
 - 16.8. In case articles are published or seminars, conferences are attended which is related to the fellowship project work during the term of fellowship, a due acknowledgement to ICPR must be made and the matter must be furnished with six monthly progress report. At the end of the 2 years term of the fellowship, the Fellow has to submit the final manuscript in a bound form, along with a e-copy PDF format in a single file of entire thesis. The first right of the publication of manuscript is with ICPR if it declines the fellow can get it published from anywhere.
 - 16.9. If the progress reports are not submitted within 3 months of the due date and/or the report is not satisfactory, the fellowship will not be released. The fellowship will eventually be terminated. The amount released till then will be recovered from you.
 - 16.10. The Contingency amount for expenditure in respect of stationary, typing, printing, photocopying, books, journals and travel (up to 2rd AC rail fare) will be released on the installment basis on production of statement of expenditure along with supporting bills / receipts / vouchers / tickets, etc., in original with self-attestation and dates on each of them. Rupees 5,000/- will be deducted from the contingency towards the e-life-subscription fee for the Council's journal, JICPR, in favor of the Fellow, provided the Fellow is not already a life member for the Journal. However, the first installment of contingency grant will be released on the basis of an anticipated expenditure. Fellows will get e-token of further copies of official journal of ICPR i.e. JICPR.
 - 16.11. A Utilization Certificate (UC) of all the payments and expenditure will be produced with SMPR and the UC of last installment will be submitted at the time of submitting final manuscript. For this, a

record of all the payments and expenditure has to be maintained by the Fellow.

- 16.12. The Fellowship amount would be transacted on pro-rata basis per month by money transfer through ECS directly to fellows' bank account, for which the Fellow has to furnish the account details along with a cancelled Cheque.
- 16.13. Within 5 years of acceptance of the fellowship, no other fellowship can be accepted from ICPR.
- 16.14. The fellow is required to open a separate Aadhar card linked account in Canara Bank for transfer of the fellowship amount.
- 16.15. A fellow can avail leave for a maximum period of 30 days in a year in addition to general holidays observed by the affiliating institution. Leave may be taken by a Fellow with the approval of the supervisor. In case this leave is not utilized within a year, it cannot be carried over to the subsequent year. The general holidays, however, do not include the vacation period, e.g., summer, winter and pooja vacations. Any leave in excess of the annual limit of 30 days, taken for whatever reasons, will be without the fellowship. Women candidates will be entitled maternity leave; and CCL as per rules.

17. Documents to be furnished at the time of Accepting / Joining the Fellowship

- 17.1. Joining Report (bearing title of the research), to be authorized by HOD and Registrar / Equal Officer, If applicable (Office may keep a copy of all the details of documents sent to ICPR).
- 17.2. Undertaking on the stamp paper.
- 17.3. Details of bank account (Account Holders (the Fellows) name in Bank account, Account No., IFSC Code of the Bank, Name of the bank, Branch and Address with Phone No.s') and a cancelled Cheque from the same bank.
- 17.4. Last Salary Details, (Only for in-service Candidates)
- 17.5. Acceptance letter from Registrar/Head/Dean/Principal, if applicable, stating that all facilities in the institution are and will be provided for the research of the Fellow under the ICPR fellowship.
- 17.6. An anticipated contingency expenditure of first six months.
- 17.7. An email ID, Contact Phone No. and Address for communication.

18. Others (applicable to all categories of fellowships)

- 18.1 (a) In case of a Fellow after joining his Fellowship, ceases to work on the Fellowship for a time because of ill-health or his/her obtaining other gainful academic employment, or for some other reason, he/she shall apply for leave to the ICPR, and should such leave be granted by the Chairman, which shall not exceed six months during the entire, tenure of the Fellowship, the period(s) of the said leave shall be counted towards determining the duration of the Fellowship.
- (b) The period of overstay of leave, in case of a scholar, overstaying the maximum period of six months of the sanctioned leave, such period of

overstay of leave, the period of leave not sanctioned by the Chairman or the period of absence without any proper sanction of leave, shall be deemed as unauthorized absence from working as Fellow, and will be viewed adversely by the ICPR and the concerned Fellow shall forfeit the right to apply for any extension of tenure of Fellowship unless it is condoned by the Council in terms of the sub-clause (e) given below.

(c) In case of a Fellow's unauthorized absence whether in continuation of the sanctioned leave or otherwise for a prolonged period, the Chairman, unless the Council condones it, will have the right to presume that the Fellow, has ceased working on the Fellowship and, thus, can terminate his Fellowship without any notice, and the scholar shall be liable to return forthwith the entire Fellowship and the contingency grant received by him from the ICPR.

(d) During the period of a Fellow's absence whether on leave sanctioned by the Chairman or otherwise, the Fellow shall not draw the Fellowship and contingency grant for the period of such leave/absence. S/ He will not be entitled to claim Fellowship and contingency money for the period with retrospective effect.

(e) The Council shall reserve the right to consider condoning the unauthorized absence from working on the Fellowship in terms of sub-clause (b) above in exceptional cases on receipt of a formal representation from the concerned scholar duly recommended as, the case may be, by his/ her supervisor or the institution where s/ he is enrolled or the institution of affiliation as the case may be.

18.2. Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing clauses of this Chapter should a Fellow die during the period of the Fellowship or within six months after the end of the said period without submitting the last periodic or the final report, the balance of the fellowship due for the period till the date of his death or the end of the period of the Fellowship, whichever shall be earlier, shall be paid to the legal heirs of the Fellow, unless the Research Projects Committee shall have reason to believe that the Fellow had ceased working on the Fellowship for a significantly long period before his death, in which case it may decide to withhold the corresponding portion of the Fellowship.

18.3. If a scholar decides to discontinue the Fellowship without completing the Research work, he/ she shall be liable to refund the entire amount of Fellowship plus contingency grant received for the purpose. The final decision will rest with the RPC.

18.4. If the scholar who has been awarded JRF/ GF and is not employed anywhere but gets employment or joins another Fellowship subsequently during the currency of the Fellowship has expressed his/ her willingness to continue with the research work without claiming Fellowship from the date

of the commencement of his/ her job/ Fellowship, s/ he instead of being asked to refund the total amount of Fellowship and contingency amount hitherto paid to him/ her will be required to:

- a. Submit an affidavit on non-judicial paper assuring the Council that s/ he will continue with the research work as per the rules of the University/ institution till it is completed, and that after its completion will submit a copy of thesis acknowledging the financial assistance awarded by the ICPR.
- b. Submit a letter of recommendation to this effect from the concerned authority of the University/ institute, if applicable, where the scholar is enrolled or registered for Ph.D.
- c. Submit a 'No Objection Certificate' from the employer for pursuing the research work done by him (For those in employment).
- d. In case of his/her failure to submit all the above specified documents, within a period of 3 months or as decided by the RPC, he will be asked to refund the full amount of Fellowship along with contingency grant received by him/ her as per the Undertaking given by him/ her at the time of award of Fellowship.

18.5. (a) An application for the extension of Fellowship, if any, shall be submitted to the Member Secretary before the period of three months in advance of the expiry of the tenure of the Fellowship, otherwise such an application for the extension shall not be entertained.

- (b) Applications for the extension of Fellowship should indicate in detail the reasons and grounds for seeking such an extension along with the firm date by which the research work shall be completed.
- (c) In case of JRF/GF, the application for the extension of Fellowship shall be duly recommended by the concerned supervisor and routed through the institution where the scholar has been enrolled.
- (d) The decision of the extension of the fellowship shall be taken by the Member Secretary & Chairman.
- (e) The grant of any extension of the Fellowship shall, among other considerations be contingent upon the maintenance of discipline and good conduct of the concerned scholar.
- (f) In the case of scholars deemed to have been unauthorized absent from working on the Fellowship in terms of sub-clause (b) of clause 18.1, no such extension shall be granted unless the period of their unauthorized absence has been condoned by the Council in terms of sub-clause (e) of clause 18.1

18.6. The continuance of a Junior Research Fellowship and other Fellowships is contingent upon good conduct and may stand terminated on adverse report about the conduct of a Fellow received from the University or institution where he/she is enrolled or from the affiliating institutions, or

from any other responsible source. Provided that it shall always be open to the Research Project Committee to review the matter and conform or revoke the termination of the Fellowship.

Note: These rules are subject to future amendments made by the empowered Committee of the Council.