

No: DST/INSPIRE Fellowship/[IF150706] GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SCIENCE and TECHNOLOGY Department of Science and Technology Technology Bhawan, New Mehrauli Road New Delhi-110016



Date: 13 January, 2016

#### Subject: Award of INSPIRE Fellowship to the Research Students [IF150706]

#### Dear NIVYA V M,

The Government of India has launched a unique Scheme "Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research (INSPIRE)" with several components. INSPIRE Fellowship provides fellowship in Basic and Applied Sciences. I am pleased that you have been Selected for the award of INSPIRE Fellowship to host at the University/Institute/College/National Laboratory indicated in the application form or your subsequent admission.

The value of the Fellowship will be at Par with the Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)/ Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) of Government of India along with a Contingency grant. The Fellowship shall be available to you for a period of five years or completion of your doctoral (PhD) program, whichever is earlier.

If you are willing to join or switch over from earlier fellowship to INSPIRE Fellowship, will require to upload the joining-cum-Acceptance Letter (http://inspiredst.gov.in/JoiningReport.pdf, template is also available in your online dashboard), and also submit Bank details of your Host Institute (with the photocopy of cancelled blank cheque of given account details), within one month from the date of this letter, in your online portal only, for taking necessary actions at INSPIRE Program Secretariat for releasing of your fellowship amount. The Terms & Conditions for implementation of INSPIRE Fellowship are enclosed herewith.

No hard copy would be acceptable in this online process.

Please do not send any email attachment for delivering these documents to us.

In the event of your having being found ineligible at any state in future for the award/eligibility for INSPIRE Fellowship due to any reason(including unintentional computer error or printer's devil etc) this offer will be deemed withdrawn.

#### (V. Girija Shankar) Scientist 'C'



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Dear NIVYA V M,

Please note that these documents are necessary to be available at DST for financial release after final selection

1. Joining-cum-Acceptance Letter for INSPIRE Fellowship (template available in your dashboard in online portal))

- 2. Relieving Order from previous Fellowship/Job (if availing).
- 3. Copy of Cancelled Blank Cheque of the Host University/ College/ Institute Account for transferring the fund (Account should be registered in Central Plan Scheme Monitoring System: www.cpsms.nic.in).
- 4. CPSMS registration certificate, or Unique Agency Code in case of University/College/Institute is newly registered in Central Plan Scheme Monitoring System.

Thanking you.

Dr. V. Girija Shankar Sc 'C'

#### **INSPIRE Fellowship Guidelines (February 2015)**

## In suppression of previous guidelines, this new guideline will now be effected from Feb 2015 for all INSPIRE Fellows

#### 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 individual selected candidate and will also be up-loaded in the Website: www.inspire-dst.gov.in.

## Eligibility:

- 1. INSPIRE Scholar having secured minimum 65% marks in aggregate or equivalent CGPA at MSc or Integrated MS/ MSc course.
- 2. 1<sup>st</sup> Rank Holders at University Level Examination (not at Autonomous College Level examination) of overall full time post-graduate program in science, engineering /technology / agriculture / pharmacy / other applied science streams and undergraduate in Medicine i.e. MBBS. However, university shall consider providing 1<sup>st</sup> Rank for a minimum batch size of 10 students in that university level examination with minimum aggregate of 60% marks of the entire course/ program. Toppers in any subject specialization in Post graduation 2<sup>nd</sup> year are not eligible. However, merely having the eligibility for the INSPIRE Fellowship will not guarantee the final offer of fellowship. Expert Committee will finally take decision on selections based on the research proposal by the fellow.

## Terms and Conditions:

## 1. General

•This Fellowship shall be available only for pursuing full-time PhD program in any recognized University / Institution/ R&D Laboratory/ in the country.

•The Junior Research Fellow (JRF) or Senior Research Fellow (SRF) under this scheme shall be termed as INSPIRE Fellow.

•The Fellowship shall be governed through the Office Memorandum of this Ministry of Number A.20020/11/97-IFD dated 6th August 2007, 31st March 2010 [www.dst.gov.in/whats\_new/whats\_new/whats\_new07/fellowship.pdf] and 21<sup>st</sup> October2014[http://dst.gov.in/whats\_new14/fellowship\_revision.pdf] shall be liable to be revised from time to time as per Government Order. However, the HRA to the Fellows shall also be applicable as per Gol norms i.e. 30% or 20% or 10%, depending upon the location of the Host Institution.

•The Fellowship shall be tenable for a maximum period of five years or completion of the PhD program (i.e. till the final defend of the PhD Thesis), whichever is earlier.

## 2. Issuing of Fellowship Offer:

- •While availing multiple (more than one) fellowships concurrently from different sources will not be allowed, the Effective Date of availing INSPIRE Fellowship would be as under:
- •Fresh applicants who have already taken admission into PhD course prior to submission of application, the date of acceptance or joining or switching over from any other fellowship to INSPIRE Fellowship will be the Effective Date. However in any case the Effective Date would not earlier than the date of application received at the DST.
- •Applicant who will be placed under "Provisional Selection" or "Rejection" category during the selection process and subsequently issued "Final Offer" by gaining admission into PhD or by virtue of accepting representation at the DST-INSPIRE, the date of issuing Final Offer" will be the Effective Date" for the INSPIRE Fellowship. For Final selection under INSPIRE Fellowship, the admission into PhD program is necessary.
- •Upon Final Selection under INSPIRE Fellowship, the Fellow or the Host-Institution / University shall require to inform DST (by uploading in online portal) about the date of joining of the INSPIRE Fellow in that Institution / University in the Format of Joining and Acceptance Letter, provided by the DST-INSPIRE Program Divisionwithin one month of date of issuing the final offer, failing which, his/her Final Offer will be liable for cancellation and no further correspondence will be entertained in this matter.

## 3. Change of Host Institute:

•Upon accepting the offer for implementing Fellowship at a particular University/Institute/Laboratory in the country the INSPIRE Fellow shall not be allowed for transferring the Fellowship to any other University/Institute / Laboratory in the country during 5 years of Fellowship tenure. However, in unavoidable situation for continuation of PhD works, the Fellow must seek prior permission from DST-INSPIRE Program Division for such change of Host Institution by submitting following documents:

i.No Objection Certificates (NOCs) from both Host Institutes and Research Supervisors,

- ii.Detailed Justifications for changing / shifting of Host Institute for implementation of Fellowship,
- iii.Area of PhD works with an up to date technical Progress Report,
- iv.CV of the Research Supervisor at the new Host Institute,
- v.Up to date Financial Statement from the old Host Institute.

However, shifting/ change of Host Institute without prior permission from DST-INSPIRE may be called for withdrawn of the INSPIRE Fellowship. Moreover, such shifting/ change of Host Institute may be allowed only one time in 5 years period of Fellowship tenure and that too within one year from effective date of Fellowship at that Host Institute.

#### 4. Short Term Research Internship:

•INSPIRE Fellow shall be allowed for availing short-term Research Internship activities at any national or international Laboratory/ University/ Institute up to a maximum period of 18 months either in one or multiple slots during 5 years of Fellowship tenure. This research internship would either be arranged by DST or by the individual Fellow and, the Fellow shall be required to obtain prior permission from DST-INSPIRE along with recommendation of PhD Research Supervisor as well as confirmation from Research Internship provider for obtaining prior permission. In the event that the Fellow receives full financial support of the overseas institution, the INSPIRE Fellowship for the period of Overseas stay will not be remitted.

•Positioning under HOPE and Newton Bhabha shall dealt in separate call.

#### 5. Release of Fellowship amount:

•The fund with respect to INSPIRE Fellow(s) shall be made available with the Host institution by the Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi for payment of the Fellowship along with Contingency Grant to the Fellow(s) following Government of India and Institute / University norms. In such case, Host institute require to register in CPSMS (Central Plan System Monitoring Scheme www.cpsms.nic.in) and needs to provide unique agency code and details of authorized account of head of institute, to DST.

•While to continue release of fellowship in subsequent years, the Host-Institute or the concerned fellow shall submit the financial year-wise Statement of Expenditure & Utilization Certificate (through online portal: www.online-inspire.gov.in) for each INSPIRE Fellow attached to them, the INSPIRE Fellow will be required to submit Progress Report every year duly authenticated by their concerned PhD supervisor.

#### 6. Up gradation from JRF to SRF:

•The entry level position of the Fellow in the Scheme shall be only as `Junior Research Fellow (JRF)'.

•The up-gradation of Fellowship status i.e. Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) to Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) would normally be considered after two (2) years of <u>INSPIRE Fellowship at JRF level</u> through performance assessment on the progress made in the PhD programme. However, this performance assessment can also be conducted at any time after completion of one year at JRF level upon publication of at least one paper (1st Authorship) in any peer-reviewed SCI indexed journal by the INSPIRE Fellow out of the PhD work done at that Host Institute.

- •For up-gradation of Fellowship status, a three (3) Members Committee needs to be constituted by the Host Institute's Vice-Chancellor of the University/ Director of the Institute to assess the progress of concerned INSPIRE Fellow.
- •The composition of said Committee would be one Member (drawn from the list of Chair-Persons & Expert Members available at the INSPIRE Website: <u>www.inspire-</u> <u>dst.gov.in/List\_of\_Chairpersons\_Members.pdf</u>, depending upon local needs) besides the Research Supervisor of the concerned INSPIRE Fellow and one Internal Faculty as Member of the Committee.
- •Choice of Expert member within the same Host Institute should be totally avoided in this committee. The assessment shall be carried out by the Host Institute/ University as per above process and upon assessment, the Research Supervisor shall be required to upload the `assessment report' of the Committee in the format of DST of the concerned Fellow, in online portal of DST-INSPIRE for further actions.
- •The expenditure related to such assessment shall not be borne by DST INSPIRE.
- •In case any other guidance needed for appointing Expert member for the process, DST can be contacted for the same.
- •Generally, up-gradation of JRF to SRF would be effected as per above norms, however, in case assessment is delayed beyond the 2 years for any reasons, the assessment date/ Date of communication of Assessment Report would be considered as 'SRF Effective date'.

#### 7. Completion of Fellowship Tenure and Award of PhD degree:

On completion of the tenure of Fellowship, the INSPIRE Fellow shall be required to provide the copy of the awarding of PhD degree certificate along with soft copy of thesis and the complete financial documents (SE, UC) to final settlement of the fellow. However, the unspent balance shall be sent by means of demand draft in favor of "DST-INSPIRE Program" payable at New Delhi or through ECS at the A/c No. 32921719272" (IFSC Code: SBIN0000691) in the of State Bank of India, New Delhi.
INSPIRE Fellows must settle their claims within one year of leaving the Fellowship. No claim will be admitted by DST after one year of leaving the Fellowship.

#### 8. TERMINATION OR DISCONTINUATION of INSPIRE Fellowship shall occur at the following events:

- •Upon successful viva-voce of awarding PhD degree or completion of 5 year Fellowship's tenure, whichever is earlier,
- •Resignation from the Fellowship before awarding PhD degree and acceptance of resignation by DST based on the Research Supervisor's recommendation,
- •Migration of Fellow to another Institution from present Host Institution without prior approval from DST,
- •Failed to gain admission into PhD within one year after issuing Provisional Offer,
- •Non-Acceptance of Final Offer within one month from the date of Final Offer issued
- •In case, any of the previous admission(s) by the Fellow is/are found wrong and the Fellow found ineligible in future for any reason(s) (including any unintentional Computer error or Printer's devil etc)

## 9. Duties of INSPIRE Fellow:

- •Keep update DST always about your progress in Research or any other disciplinary action taken at University.
- •The INSPIRE Fellow is not to take any assignment other than related to his/her approved research programme, paid or unpaid. However, if required, the fellow may assist the host institute in its academic work/other activities, as per guidelines of its PhD programme, provided such assignments should not hamper the progress of research work of the fellow. This has to be governed by host institution.
- •Once INSPIRE Fellow accepts the Fellowship and joined, he should complete the research for the normal tenure of the fellowship or for such lesser duration in which the original objectives of the research problem have been achieved.
- •INSPIRE Fellow should inform about his discontinuation within one week of date of discontinuation through online portal and upload all required documents in portal. Failing to do so will reflect into settlement of the case.
- •The INSPIRE Fellow shall keep DST informed about his/her getting the PhD degree, submission of thesis for Ph.D., etc. and submission/ acceptance/ publication of any research paper arising out of the research work done during the tenure of the fellowship. He/She must acknowledge the support of DST in the publication(s). One copy each of all the research papers published must be sent to DST at each stage of publication/ manuscript/reprint.





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UGC Ref. No.: 4741/(CSIR-UGC NET DEC. 2017)

Roll No.: 378433 Certified that NIVYA V M

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#### SB/S9/Z-03/2017

Dr Praveenkumar S

#### 3rd October, 2018

<u>Subject:</u> - <u>First edition of SERB-Purdue University Overseas Visiting</u> <u>Doctoral Fellowship Program: Selection of Scholars</u>

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This message confirms that the attached list of students (Annexure) will each receive a monthly living allowance equivalent to \$2000 U.S. throughout the duration of their stay (not exceeding 12 months) at Purdue.

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25 PhD scholars selected for OVDF program at Purdue, 2019
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Akanksha Ninawe	Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi	Xianfan Xu	
Arjun Pitchai	Sathyabam Institute of Science and Technology	Jennifer L. Freeman	
Arunkumar Chinnappan	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur	Alina Alexeenko	
Ashok Babadev Jagtap	Punjab Agricultural University	Gurmukh S Johal	
Busireddy Nanda Kishore Reddy	National Institute of Technology, Rourkela	Dev Niyogi	
Digambar Kumar Waiker	Indian Institute of Technology-Banaras Hindu University (IIT-BHU), Varanasi.	Tony R. Hazbun	
Jeya Shree	Anna University, Guindy campus	Raji Sundararajan	
Kannan Pidugu Kesavan	Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad	Rakesh Agrawal	
Mena Asha Krishnan	Indian Institute of Technology, Indore	Kavita Shah	
Navya Sree	Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences	Lynn S Taylor	
Nivya Vijaya Mohan	Central University of Kerala	Stanton B Gelvin	
Pallab Basuri	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	Graham Cooks	
Prabhat Chand Yadav	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur	Srinivasan Chandrashekhar	
Pratiman Patel	Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay	Daniel G. Aliaga	
Rohit Kothari	Indian Institute of Technology, Indore	Shripad T. Revankar	
Rohith Anthanahalli Nanjegowda	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	Indrajeet Chaubey	
Shanuja Sasi	Indian Institute of Science	Vaneet Aggarwal	
Sindhubala Kadirvelu	B.S.Abdur Rahman Crescent Institute of Science and Technology	Walter Daniel Leon- Salas	
Sourav Ghosh	Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad	Vilas G. Pol	
Souvik Debnath	Jadavpur University	Sophie A. Lelièvre	
Sri Ganesh Subramanian	Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur	Justin Weibel	
Vedita Anand Singh	Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee	Richard Kuhn	
Vinod Ganesan	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	Anand Raghunathar	
Vishal Choudhury	Indian Institute of Science	Zubin Jacob	
Vivek Verma	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur	David Johnson and Michael Titus	

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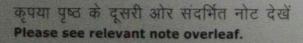
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प्रमाणित किया जाता है कि कु. NIVYA V M पुत्री श्री CHANDRAMOHAN K ने व्याख्याता / सहायक प्रोफेसर पद की पात्रता हेतु कृ.वै.च.मं. द्वारा 6 अप्रैल 2018 को आयोजित राष्ट्रीय पात्रता परीक्षा कृषि जैवप्रौद्योगिकी विषय में उत्तीर्ण की है। इन्होंने अन्य पिछड़ा वर्ग श्रेणी मे आवेदन किया और 50.89% अंक प्राप्त कर अनारक्षित श्रेणी के लिए निर्धारित अहर्ताक प्राप्त करते हुए परीक्षा उत्तीर्ण की। यह प्रमाण–पत्र विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग / वैज्ञानिक एवं औद्योगिक अनुसंधान परिषद द्वारा भी उनके पत्र सं क्रमशः 15-1/98(NET) दिनांक 04.10.99 एवं 18-1/98(NET) दिनांक 02.07.2003 अनुसार मान्य है।

Certified that Ms. NIVYA V M daughter of Sh. CHANDRAMOHAN K has qualified the National Eligibility Test conducted by ASRB on 6 April, 2018 in the Discipline of Agricultural Biotechnology for eligibility of Lecturership / Assistant Professorship. She had applied under Other Backward Class Category and has qualified by securing 50.89% marks with the qualifying cut-off for Un-Reserved Category. This certificate is also recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC)/Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) vide their letters No. 15-1/98(NET) dated 04.10.99 and 18-1/98(NET) dated 02.07.2003, respectively.

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Ashok Babadev Jagtap	Punjab Agricultural University	Gurmukh S Johal	
Busireddy Nanda Kishore Reddy	National Institute of Technology, Rourkela	Dev Niyogi	
Digambar Kumar Waiker	Indian Institute of Technology-Banaras Hindu University (IIT-BHU), Varanasi.	Tony R. Hazbun	
Jeya Shree	Anna University, Guindy campus	Raji Sundararajan	
Kannan Pidugu Kesavan	Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad	Rakesh Agrawal	
Mena Asha Krishnan	Indian Institute of Technology, Indore	Kavita Shah	
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Pallab Basuri	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	Graham Cooks	
Prabhat Chand Yadav	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur	Srinivasan Chandrashekhar	
Pratiman Patel	Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay	Daniel G. Aliaga	
Rohit Kothari	Indian Institute of Technology, Indore	Shripad T. Revankar	
Rohith Anthanahalli Nanjegowda	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	Indrajeet Chaubey	
Shanuja Sasi	Indian Institute of Science	Vaneet Aggarwal	
Sindhubala Kadirvelu	B.S.Abdur Rahman Crescent Institute of Science and Technology	Walter Daniel Leon- Salas	
Sourav Ghosh	Indian Institute of Technology, Hyderabad	Vilas G. Pol	
Souvik Debnath	Jadavpur University	Sophie A. Lelièvre	
Sri Ganesh Subramanian	Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur	Justin Weibel	
Vedita Anand Singh	Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee	Richard Kuhn	
Vinod Ganesan	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	Anand Raghunathan	
Vishal Choudhury	Indian Institute of Science	Zubin Jacob	
Vivek Verma	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur	David Johnson and Michael Titus	

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