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IMPORTANT DETAILS

- 1** Please read the 'Fellowship Advertisement' and 'Guidelines and Terms & Conditions of Fellowship' carefully and ensure for eligibility before applying and submission of online application forms.
- 2** Online Application fee for General/OBC Category is Rs. 500/- only and for SC/ST Category is Rs. 200/- only
- 3** Date of Exam and Interview (for Shortlisted Candidates) shall be intimated through Applicant's registered email only, and on this portal.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DATES AT A GLANCE

Online Submission of Application Form Open		See Notification
Last date of successful transaction of fees and closing of online application.		See Notification
Fee Payable by Candidates	General/Unreserved/Obc	Rs. 500/-
	SC/ST/PwD	Rs. 200/-
	Processing charges & Goods and Services Tax (GST) are to be paid by the candidate, as applicable	
Website(s)		www.icpr.in http://icpr.formapply.in/Login.aspx

1. FELLOWSHIP GUIDELINES:

Guidelines for Fellowship-Scheme of Indian Council of Philosophical Research (Funding Rules, Terms and Conditions)

The main objective of Indian Council of Philosophical Research (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 of their choice. The themes of research should generally fall under the major areas of investigation in the field of philosophy and related disciplines as identified by the Council.

Major Areas of Research.

1. Theories of Truth and Knowledge (Epistemology).
2. Metaphysics and Ontological Issues.
3. Normative Inquiries (Ethics and Aesthetics).
4. Comparative and Critical Study of the Philosophical Systems / Movements.
5. Logic, Philosophy of Mathematics and Philosophy of Language.
6. Philosophy of Science and Technology.
7. Philosophy of Religion.
8. Philosophy of Education.
9. Philosophy of Law.
10. Philosophy of Mind and Action Studies.
11. Consciousness studies.
12. Social, Political and Cultural Philosophy.
13. Basic Values Embodied in Indian Culture and their relevance to National Reconstruction.
14. Applied Ethics: Environmental Ethics, Medical and Bio-Ethics, Business Ethics, and Professional Ethics
15. Interdisciplinary studies.

CATEGORIES OF FELLOWSHIPS

A. Junior Research Fellowships: The Fellowship amount is Rs.17,600/- per month (consolidated) for a full-time regular Ph. D. scholar. A Contingency Grant of Rs.16,500/- per annum is admissible. There is no provision for pay protection in this category of fellowship. The fellowship is offered for a period of two years.

B. General Fellowships: General Fellowships are given for Post-Doctoral Research. The fellowship amount 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 a provision for pay protection in this category of fellowship.

C. Senior Fellowships: Senior fellowships are meant for senior scholars. The fellowship amount is Rs. 44,000/- per month and a contingency grant of Rs. 44,000/- per annum. The fellowship is offered for a period of two years.

D. National Fellowships: The Fellowship is awarded to eminent scholars on the basis of nominations. The fellowship amount is Rs. 60,500/- per month and a contingency grant of Rs. 66,000/- 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 (JRF)

1. Eligibility for Award of Junior Research Fellowship

- 1.1. Candidates who hold a Master's degree of a recognized university in Philosophy 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 on last date for the submission of the application forms (relaxation in age by 5 years permissible in case of SC/ST/PwD¹ candidates).

¹ Each category will have 4 (four)% reservations horizontally for Persons with Disabilities(PwD) as defined in the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (RPwD Act,2016) (source-Press Release by UGC).

Section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016 states the following:

Persons with benchmark disabilities (PwD) means a person with not less than forty percent (40%) of a specified disability where specified disability has not been defined in measurable terms and includes a person with disability where specified disability has been defined in measurable terms, as certified by the certifying authority.

"Specified Disability" means the disabilities as specified in the Schedule of the RPwD Act 2016. The categories of disabilities are:

Blindness and low vision

- (i) Deaf and hard of hearing
- (ii) Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy
- (iii) Autism, intellectual disability, specified learning disability and mental illness, and
- (iv) Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (i) to (iv)
- (v) Other „specified disabilities“ mentioned in the Schedule of the RPwD Act 2016.

Please refer to Office Memorandum issued by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment dated 29 August 2018 (F.No.34-02/2015-DD-III), guideline IV, second paragraph.

The facility of Scribe/Reader/Lab Assistant should be allowed to any person with benchmark disability as defined under section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016 and has limitation in writing including that of speed if so desired by him/her.

In case of persons with benchmark disabilities in the category of blindness, Locomotor disability (both arms affected- BA) and cerebral palsy, the facility of scribe/reader/lab assistant shall be given, if so desired by the person.

In case of other category of persons with benchmark disabilities, the provision of scribe/reader/lab assistant can be allowed on production of a Certificate to the effect that the person concerned has physical limitation to write, and scribe is essential to write examination on his behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution as per Proforma at **Annexure I**.

The order further allows the candidate to opt for their own scribe/reader provided the qualification of the scribe is one step below the qualification of the candidate taking the examination. The candidate with bench-mark disabilities opting for their own scribe/reader should submit details of their own scribe as per Proforma at **Annexure II**.

Twenty minutes per hour compensatory time for duration of examination will also be allowed to the candidates who are availing the facility of scribe/reader/lab assistant.

- 1.4. The candidates must have a confirmed Ph. D. registration with the title of the research work on the date of Application for award of the Junior Research Fellowship.
- 1.5. Candidates must be registered for the Ph. D. programme in a Department of a Public Funded University/ Institute, which is recognized for the U.G.C regulation for conducting and awarding Ph. D degree.
- 1.6. Candidates who have earlier availed a full doctoral fellowship (JRF) for a period of 2 years or above from any public agency, such as UGC etc., 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 from the ICPR earlier will not be eligible for another Fellowship from this Council for the next five years from the date of joining of the earlier fellowship.
- 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. Candidates, who have any disciplinary action/enquiry pending against them or are found guilty, are not eligible to apply.
- 1.10. Preference will be given to students who are likely to complete their thesis within a period of two years. No Fellowship may ordinarily be given to a student after five years of registration.

2. Submission of Application for Junior Research Fellowship

Call for Applications will be made on ICPR website and/or advertisement in Employment News etc. All Applicants should apply through online portal only following the guidelines in the advertisement.

2.1 Application form is to be filled at the online portal, attaching the following.

Annexure-I. Abstract of the approved Research Proposal in around 500 words;
Annexure-II. Detailed Research Proposal not exceeding 5000 words;
Annexure-III. Brief Academic CV of the applicant;
Annexure-IV. Undertaking that the scholar has not availed JRF for a period of 2 years or more from any other public agency, such as U.G.C. etc.
Annexure V. A duly attested SC/ST/PwD certificate (if applicable) issued by a competent authority.
Annexure VI. Scanned copy of Ph. D. Registration Certificate.
Annexure VII. Scanned copy of certificates / degree of all educational qualification.

3. Procedure for Award of Junior Research Fellowship

- 3.1. Applications received through online Portal will be screened as per the norms laid in this guideline.
- 3.2. The shortlisted Applicants will be called for test and/or interview. No TA/DA etc. shall be provided by ICPR for this purpose. The list of eligible candidates to be called for test and/or interview will be uploaded on the ICPR website.

- 3.3. The final result of interview will be placed before the ICPR Research Project Committee for approval and the list of selected candidates will be uploaded on ICPR website.
- 3.4. The Award letters will be issued /emailed to the selected candidates.
- 3.5. The scholars 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 / join within the stipulated period from the date of issue of the Award letter, the Award shall be treated automatically withdrawn / cancelled.

4. Obligations of the Forwarding Institution

- 4.1. The forwarding institution shall provide the requisite research infrastructure to the Doctoral Fellow and ensure maintenance of proper accounts.
- 4.2. The forwarding institution, shall furnish an Undertaking in the prescribed format to provide logistic, administrative and academic support for the research.

5. Terms and Conditions for Junior Research Fellowship

- 5.1. Since the fellowship is a full-time assignment, the Fellow is not supposed to take any other assignment or employment during the period of 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.
- 5.2. The Fellow shall not, without the prior permission of the Council, join any other regular course of study leading to a degree.
- 5.3. In case a Fellow wishes to resign / discontinue the fellowship before the end of the tenure, he/she must obtain approval of the ICPR. Application to that effect shall be submitted through the supervisor indicating specific reasons for the same.
- 5.4. Any change in the topic of research, duly approved by the authorities of the university concerned, must be intimated to the ICPR for approval.
- 5.5. An undertaking by the Fellow, countersigned by the supervisor and HOD, in a non-judicial stamp paper of worth Rs. 10/- or above has to be submitted at the time of joining the fellowship, which should include the following clauses (a) to (c) as per the prescribed format.

- a.** Fellow's identity including name, gender, date of birth, father's name and addresses, email ID, phone no. and name of the fellowship awarded by ICPR and title of the research topic.
- b.** Declaration that the fellow does not have any other assignment or employment at the time of joining the fellowship and shall not undertake any such assignment during the period of the fellowship, without prior information to ICPR.
- c.** The fellow shall abide by the terms and conditions of the fellowship as well as modifications thereof.

- 5.6 In case of non-compliance of terms and conditions, Council may take action as it deems fit. Candidates, who have any disciplinary action/enquiry pending against them or are found guilty, are not eligible to apply.
- 5.7 The tenure of the fellowship will be 2 years from the date of Joining.
- 5.8 In the event of discontinuation or termination, the entire amount of fellowship and contingency grant received till date will have to be refunded to ICPR. However, if a fellow gives undertaking that he / she will submit the final manuscript within three years of joining the fellowship, the condition of refund may be exempted.
- 5.9 During the tenure of the fellowship, two types of reports are to be submitted: (a) Monthly Attendance Reports (MAR) in prescribed format, at the end of every month, on the basis of which monthly payments will be released. Scanned copy of the same can be sent by email; (b) a Six-Monthly Progress Report (SMPR) in the prescribed format duly signed by the HOD on behalf of Research Advisory Committee (RAC) / Department of Research committee (DRC), on the basis of which, the next instalment will be released. 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. In case of non-compliance of this condition for six months, the fellowship will be terminated. The amount released till then will also be recovered from the fellow.
- 5.10 The Fellow has to submit the final manuscript in a bound form, along with an e-copy (PDF format in a single file). The first right of the publication of manuscript will rest with ICPR; If ICPR permits, the fellow can get it published from anywhere else. Fellows are required to acknowledge financial assistance of ICPR in their publications, seminar papers and research paper related to the research area for which ICPR has granted the fellowship.
- 5.11 The Junior Research Fellows are required to visit the ICPR Academic Centre at Lucknow, for at least 2 weeks during their fellowship period.
- 5.12 The Contingency amount for expenditure in respect of stationary, typing, printing, photocopying, books, journals and travel (2nd Sleeper to 3rd AC Rail fare) can be claimed on submission 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 10 Years) for the Council's journal - Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research (JICPR). The first installment of contingency grant will be released on the basis of statement of anticipated expenditure.
- 5.13 The Fellowship amount would be disbursed on pro-rata basis per month through NEFT directly to fellows' bank account, for which the Fellow has to open a separate Aadhar linked account in any Bank and furnish the account details and cancelled Cheque of the same account bearing name of the Fellow.
- 5.14 Twenty five percent of the last installment of the fellowship will be withheld, and will be released only after submission of the final manuscript. The fellows are required to submit their final manuscript within 3 years of joining the fellowship, failing which they will have to forgo their remaining dues.
- 5.15 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. A Fellow with the approval of the supervisor may take leave. In case this leave is not utilized within

a year, it cannot be carried forward to the subsequent year. The general holidays, however, do not include vacation period, e.g. Summer, Winter and Pooja holidays. 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 for maternity leave and Child Care Leave (CCL) as per rules. During the period of such leave no fellowship is given. In such case the fellowship period will be extended to the extent of the leave availed, and the fellowship will be paid for this extension period. On extended of leave availed and the fellowship will be paid for this extended period.

- 5.16 All Legal disputes pertaining to the fellowship will be settled in the Court of Delhi only.

6. Documents to be furnished at the time of Joining Junior Research Fellowship

- 6.1. Joining Report (bearing title of the research) along with a copy of Ph. D. Registration, duly forwarded by HOD and Registrar / Equal Officer. The scholar is required to submit a copy of all the documents in the department concerned.
- 6.2. Undertaking on the non-judicial stamp paper in the prescribed format.
- 6.3. Details of bank account: Account holder's, i.e., the Fellow's 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 of the same account.
- 6.4. Consent letter from the Supervisor duly forwarded by HOD.
- 6.5. Acceptance letter from Registrar/Head/Dean/Principal stating that all facilities for research in the institution will be provided for the research to the Fellow under the ICPR fellowship.
- 6.6. An anticipated contingency expenditure for first six months.

POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (GF)

7. Eligibility for Award of POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (GF)

- 7.1. General Fellowship shall be awarded only to those who have already obtained Ph.D. degree as per existing U.G.C. norms.
- 7.2. The General Fellowships are awarded to scholars who have shown significant promise and competence in independent research evident from their publications in the form of books and/or research articles.
- 7.3. Candidates must also hold a Master's degree from a recognized university / institution in any of philosophy or allied discipline having at least second class with minimum 55% marks or equivalent grade. Apply.
- 7.4. For SC/ST candidates a relaxation of five percent in the master's degree is admissible, i.e. having secured second class with minimum 50% marks or the equivalent grade.
- 7.5. Candidates should not be more than 50 years of age on the last date for the submission of the application form (relaxation in age by 5 years permissible in case of SC/ST/PwD² candidates).

² Each category will have 4 (four)% reservations horizontally for Persons with Disabilities(PwD) as defined in the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (RPwD Act,2016) (source-Press Release by UGC).

Section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016 states the following:

- 7.6. A Fellow who has availed a Fellowship from the ICPR earlier will not be eligible for another Fellowship from this Council for the next five years from the date of joining of the earlier fellowship.
- 7.7. 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.
- 7.8. Candidates, who have any disciplinary action/enquiry pending against them or are found guilty, are not eligible to apply.

8. Application Process for POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (GF)

Call for Applications will be made on ICPR website and advertisement in Employment News. All Applicants should apply through online portal only following the guidelines in the advertisement.

- 8.1. Application form is to be filled at the online portal with attaching the following Annexure-I. Abstract of the approved Research Proposal in around 500 words; Annexure-II. Detailed Research Proposal not exceeding 5000 words; Annexure-III. Brief Academic CV of the applicant'. Annexure IV. Consent letter from the supervisor. Annexure V. A duly attested SC/ST/PwD certificate, if applicable. Annexure VI. Scanned copy of certificates in support of all educational qualifications.

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“Specified Disability” means the disabilities as specified in the Schedule of the RPwD Act 2016. The categories of disabilities are:

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- (vi) Deaf and hard of hearing
- (vii) Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular dystrophy
- (viii) Autism, intellectual disability, specified learning disability and mental illness, and
- (ix) Multiple disabilities from amongst persons under clauses (i) to (iv)
- (x) Other „specified disabilities” mentioned in the Schedule of the RPwD Act 2016.

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In case of persons with benchmark disabilities in the category of blindness, Locomotor disability (both arms affected- BA) and cerebral palsy, the facility of scribe/reader/lab assistant shall be given, if so desired by the person.

In case of other category of persons with benchmark disabilities, the provision of scribe/reader/lab assistant can be allowed on production of a Certificate to the effect that the person concerned has physical limitation to write, and scribe is essential to write examination on his behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution as per Proforma at **Annexure I**.

The order further allows the candidate to opt for their own scribe/reader provided the qualification of the scribe is one step below the qualification of the candidate taking the examination. The candidate with bench-mark disabilities opting for their own scribe/reader should submit details of their own scribe as per Proforma at **Annexure II**.

Twenty minutes per hour compensatory time for duration of examination will also be allowed to the candidates who are availing the facility of scribe/reader/lab assistant.

9. Procedure for Award of the POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (GF)

- 9.1. Applications received through online portal will be first screened for their valid attachments and eligibility as per the norms laid in this guideline. The list of eligible candidates to be called for interview will be uploaded on the ICPR website.
- 9.2. The shortlisted Applicants will be called for interview on their own cost. No TA/DA etc. shall be provided by ICPR.
- 9.3. The result of interview will be placed before the ICPR Research Project Committee for approval and the list of selected candidates will be uploaded on ICPR website.
- 9.4. The Award letters will be issued/mailed to the selected candidates.
- 9.5. The scholars 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 / join within the stipulated period from the date of issue of the Award letter, the Award shall be treated automatically withdrawn / cancelled.

10. Obligations of the Forwarding Institution

- 10.1 The affiliating institution shall provide the requisite research infrastructure to the General Fellow and ensure maintenance of proper accounts.
- 10.2 The forwarding institution, shall furnish an Undertaking in the prescribed format to provide logistic, administrative and academic support for the research.

11. Terms and Conditions for ICPR POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (GF)

- 11.1 Since the fellowship is a full-time assignment, the Fellow is not supposed to take any other assignment or employment during the period of 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.
- 11.2 The Fellow shall not, without the prior permission of the Council, join any other regular course of study leading to a degree.
- 11.3. In case a Fellow wishes to resign/discontinue the fellowship before the end of the tenure, he/she must obtain approval of the ICPR. Application to that effect shall be submitted through the supervisor indicating specific reasons for the same.
- 11.4. Any change in the topic of research, duly approved by the authorities of the university concerned, must be intimated to the ICPR for approval.
- 11.5 An undertaking by the Fellow, countersigned by the supervisor and HOD, in a non-judicial stamp paper of worth Rs. 10/- or above has to be submitted at the time of joining the fellowship, which should include the following clauses (a) to (c) as per the prescribed format.

- a** Fellow's identity including name, gender, date of birth, father's name and addresses, email ID, phone no. and name of the fellowship awarded by –ICPR and title of the research topic.
- b** Declaration that the fellow does not have any other assignment or employment at the time of joining the fellowship and shall not undertake any such

assignment during the period of the fellowship, without prior information to ICPR.

- c. The fellow shall abide by the terms and conditions of the fellowship as well as modifications thereof.
- 11.6. In case of non-compliance of terms and conditions, Council may take action as it deems fit. Candidates, who have any disciplinary action/enquiry pending against them or are found guilty, are not eligible to apply.
- 11.7. The tenure of the fellowship will be 2 Years from the date of Joining.
- 11.8. In the event of discontinuation or termination, the entire amount of fellowship and contingency grant received till date will have to be refunded to ICPR. However, if a fellow gives undertaking that he / she will submit the final manuscript within 3 years of joining the fellowship, the condition of refund may be exempted.
- 11.9. During the tenure of the fellowship, two types of reports are to be submitted: (a) Monthly Attendance Reports (MAR) in prescribed format, at the end of every month, on the basis of which monthly payments will be released. Scanned copy of the same can be sent by email; (b) a Six-Monthly Progress Report (SMPR) in the prescribed format duly signed by the HOD on behalf of Research Advisory Committee (RAC) / Department of Research committee (DRC), on the basis of which, the next installment will be released. 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. In case of non-compliance of this condition for six months, the fellowship will be terminated. The amount released till then will also be recovered from the fellow.
- 11.10. The Fellow has to submit the final manuscript in a bound form, along with an e-copy (PDF format in a single file). The first right of the publication of manuscript will rest with ICPR; If ICPR permits, the fellow can get it published from anywhere else. Fellows are required to acknowledge financial assistance of ICPR in their publications, seminar papers and research paper related to the research area for which ICPR has granted the fellowship.
- 11.11 The General Fellows are required to visit the ICPR Academic Centre at Lucknow for at least 2 weeks during their fellowship period.
- 11.12 The Contingency amount for expenditure in respect of stationary, typing, printing, photocopying, books, journals and travel (2nd Sleeper to 3rdAC Rail fare) can be claimed on submission 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 10 Years) for the Council's journal - Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research (JICPR). The first installment of contingency grant will be released on the basis of statement of anticipated expenditure.
- 11.13 The Fellowship amount would be disbursed on pro-rata basis per month through NEFT directly to fellows' bank account, for which the Fellow has to open a separate Aadhar card linked account in any Bank, and furnish the account details and a cancelled Cheque of the same account.

- 11.14 Twenty Five percent of the last installment of the fellowship will be withheld and will be released only after submission of the final manuscript. The fellows are required to submit their final manuscript within 3 years of joining the fellowship, failing which they will have to forgo their remaining dues.
- 11.15 A fellow can avail leave for a maximum period of 30 days including medical leave in a year in addition to general holidays observed by the affiliating institution. A Fellow with the approval of the supervisor may take leave. In case this leave is not utilized within a year, it cannot be carried forward 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 for maternity leave and Child Care Leave (CCL) as per rules.
- 11.16 All Legal disputes pertaining to the fellowship will be settled in the Court of Delhi only.

12. Documents to be submitted at the time of Joining POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (GF)

- 12.1 Joining Report (bearing title of the research) along with a copy of Ph. D. Award, duly forwarded by HOD and Registrar / Equal Officer. The scholar is required to submit a copy of all the documents in the department concerned.
- 12.2 Undertaking on stamp paper in the prescribed format.
- 12.3 Details of bank account: Account holder's, i.e., the Fellow's name in Bank account, Account No., IFSC Code of the Bank, Name of the bank, Branch and Address with Phone No. and a cancelled Cheque of the same account bearing the name of the Fellow.
- 12.4 Consent letter from the Supervisor duly forwarded by HOD.
- 12.5 Acceptance letter from Registrar/Head/Dean/Principal stating that all facilities for research in the institution will be provided for the research to the Fellow under the ICPR fellowship.
- 12.6 An anticipated contingency expenditure for first six months.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIPS (SF)

13. Eligibility for Award of Senior Fellowship

- 13.1. 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 professors and scholars who have made a significant contribution to philosophy exhibited in their publications.
- 13.2. A Fellow who has availed a Fellowship from the ICPR earlier will not be eligible for another Fellowship from this Council for the next five years from the date of joining of the earlier fellowship.
- 13.3. 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.
- 13.4. Candidates, who have any disciplinary action / enquiry pending against them or are found guilty, are not eligible to apply.

14. Application Process for Senior Fellowship

Call for Applications will be made on ICPR website and advertisement in Employment News. All Applicants have to apply through online portal only following the guidelines in the advertisement.

- 14.1. Application form is to be filled at the online portal attaching the following guidelines the advertisement.
Annexure-I. Abstract of the Research Proposal in around 500 words;
Annexure-II. Detailed Research Proposal not exceeding 5000 words;
Annexure-III. Brief Academic CV of the applicant.
Annexure IV. If the fellow is affiliated to any institution, where the fellow will be utilized, forwarding letter from the Head of the Institution.
Annexure V. A duly attested SC/ST/PwD certificate, if applicable.
Annexure VI. Scanned copy of certificates in support of academic credentials.

15. Procedure for Award of the Senior Fellowship

- 15.1. Applications received through online portal will be first screened for their eligibility as per the norms laid in the guidelines.
- 15.2. The applications will be shortlisted by a committee, and its recommendations will be placed before the ICPR Research Project Committee (RPC) for consideration and approval. The list of selected candidates will be uploaded on ICPR website.
- 15.3. The Award-Letters will be issued /emailed to the selected candidates.
- 15.4. The scholars 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 / join within the stipulated period from the date of issue of the Award-Letter, the Award shall be treated automatically withdrawn / cancelled.
- 15.5. The council reserves the right to consider the name of eminent scholars for award of Senior Fellowships, who may not have applied.

16. Obligations of the Forwarding Institution

- 16.1. A Senior Fellow may work independently or be affiliated to any university / institution.
- 16.2. If the fellow is affiliated to any university / institution the affiliating university / institution shall submit a certificate ensuring that it will provide requisite infrastructure to the fellow.

17. Terms and Conditions for Senior Fellowship

- 17.1. Since the fellowship is a full-time assignment, the Fellow is not supposed to take any other assignment or employment during the period of the fellowship.
- 17.2. In case a Fellow wishes to resign / discontinue the fellowship before the end of the tenure, he/she must obtain approval of the ICPR. Application to that effect must be submitted to ICPR indicating specific reasons for the same.
- 17.3. Any change in the topic of research shall be intimated to the ICPR for approval.
- 17.4. An undertaking of the Fellow, (countersigned by authority of forwarding institute only if affiliated to any institution) in a non-judicial stamp paper worth Rs. 10/-

or above has to be submitted at the time of joining the fellowship, which should include the following clauses (a) to (c) as per the prescribed format.

- a** Fellow's identity including name, gender, date of birth, father's name and addresses, email ID, phone no. and name of the fellowship awarded by ICPR and title of the research topic.
 - b** Declaration that the fellow does not have any other assignment or employment at the time of joining the fellowship and shall not undertake any such assignment during the period of the fellowship, without prior information to ICPR.
 - c** The fellow shall abide by the terms and conditions of the fellowship as well as modifications thereof.
- 17.5. In case of non-compliance of terms and conditions, Council may take action as it deems fit.
- 17.6. The tenure of the fellowship will be 2 Years from the date of Joining.
- 17.7. In the event of discontinuation or termination, the entire amount of fellowship and contingency grant received till date will have to be refunded to ICPR. However, if a fellow gives undertaking that he / she will submit the final manuscript within three years of joining the fellowship, the condition of refund may be exempted.
- 17.8. During the tenure of the fellowship, at the end of every six months, a Six-Monthly Progress Reports (SMPR) has to be submitted, and on the basis of evaluation of the report, next installments will be released. In case of non-compliance of this condition for another six months, the fellowship may terminate. The amount released till then will also be recovered from the fellow.
- 17.9. The Fellow has to submit the final manuscript in a bound form, along with an e-copy (PDF format in a single file). The first right of the publication of manuscript will rest with ICPR. If ICPR permits, the Fellow can get it published from anywhere else. The Fellow is required to acknowledge financial assistance of ICPR in their publications, seminar papers and research papers, related to the research area for which ICPR has granted the fellowship.
- 17.10. The Contingency amount for expenditure in respect of stationary, typing, printing, photocopying, books, journals and travel (2nd AC Rail fare) can be claimed on submission 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 10 Years) for the Council's journal - Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research (JICPR). The first installment of contingency grant will be released on the basis of statement of anticipated expenditure.
- 17.11. The Fellowship amount would be disbursed on pro-rata basis per month through NEFT directly to fellows' bank account, for which the Fellow has to open a separate Aadhar linked account in any Bank, and furnish the account details and cancelled Cheque of the same account bearing name of the Fellow.

- 17.12 Twenty five percent of the last instalment of the fellowship will be withheld, and will be released only after submission of the final manuscript. The fellows are required to submit their final manuscript within 3 years of joining the fellowship, failing which they will have to forgo their remaining dues.
- 17.13 All Legal disputes pertaining to the fellowship will be settled in the Court of Delhi only.

18. Documents to be submitted at the time of Joining the Fellowship

- 18.1. Joining Report in the prescribed format (in case of affiliation to any university / institution countersigned by the authority).
- 18.2. Undertaking on the non-judicial stamp paper in the prescribed format, as specified at clause 16.4.
- 18.3. Details of bank account, including the Fellow's 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 of the same account bearing name of the Fellow.
- 18.4. If affiliated to any university / institute, then acceptance letter from Registrar/Head / Dean/Principal stating university that all facilities for research will be provided in the institutions to the Fellow under the ICPR fellowship.
- 18.5. An anticipated contingency expenditure of first six months.

NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP (NF)

19. Eligibility for Award of National Fellowship

- 19.1 National fellowships are awarded to eminent scholars who have contributions in the field of philosophy.
- 19.2 Nominations for a candidate accepted if the candidate has availed a Fellowship from the ICPR earlier and five years from the date of joining of the earlier fellowship is not over.
- 19.3 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.
- 19.4 Candidates, who have any disciplinary action / enquiry pending against them or are found guilty, are not eligible to apply.

20. Procedure for Award of National Fellowship

- 20.1 For this category of fellowship, applications are not invited. The Council invites nominations (along with detailed CV) from (a) the Council members and (b) those members of RPC who are not members of the Council. Nominations received are placed before RPC, which takes final decision in this regard.
- 20.2 The list of selected candidates will be uploaded on ICPR website.
- 20.3 The Award-Letters will be issued /emailed to the selected candidates.
- 20.4 The scholars 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 / join within the stipulated period from the date of issue of the Award-Letter, the Award shall be treated automatically withdrawn / cancelled.

21. Terms and Conditions for National Fellowship

- 21.1. Since the fellowship is a full-time assignment, the Fellow is not supposed to take any other assignment or employment during the period of the fellowship.
- 21.2 In case a Fellow wishes to resign / discontinue the fellowship before the end of the tenure, he/she must obtain approval of the ICPR. Application to that effect must be submitted to ICPR indicating specific reasons for the same.
- 21.3. Any change in the topic of research must be intimated to the ICPR for approval.
- 21.4. An undertaking by the Fellow, countersigned by the supervisor and HOD, in a non-judicial stamp paper of worth Rs. 10/- or above has to be submitted at the time of joining the fellowship, which should include the following clauses (a) to (c) as per the prescribed format.
 - a.** Fellow's identity including name, gender, date of birth, father's name and addresses, email ID, phone no. and name of the fellowship awarded by ICPR and title of the research topic.
 - b.**
 - c.** Declaration that the fellow does not have any other assignment or employment at the time of joining the fellowship and shall not undertake any such assignment during the period of the fellowship, without prior information to ICPR.
 - d.** The fellow shall abide by the terms and conditions of the fellowship as well as modifications thereof.
- 21.5. In case a fellow wishes to resign / discontinue the fellowship before end of the ten year, he/she takes prior permission from ICPR. A letter to this effect must be submitted to ICPR indicating specific reasons for the same.
- 21.6. In case of non-compliance of terms and conditions, Council may take action as it deems fit.
- 21.7. The tenure of the fellowship will be 2 Years from the date of Joining.
- 21.8. In the event of discontinuation or termination, the entire amount of fellowship and contingency grant received till date will have to be refunded to ICPR. However, if a fellow gives undertaking that he / she will submit the final manuscript within three years of joining the fellowship, the condition of refund may be exempted.
- 21.9. During the tenure of the fellowship, at the end of every six months, a Six-Monthly Progress Reports (SMPR) has to be submitted, and on the basis of evaluation of the report, next installments will be released. In case of non-compliance of this condition for another six months, the fellowship may terminate. The amount released till then will also be recovered from the fellow.
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- 21.14 All Legal disputes pertaining to the fellowship will be settled in the Court of Delhi only.

22. Documents to be submitted at the time of Joining National Fellowship

- 22.1 Joining Report in the prescribed format
- 22.2. Undertaking on non-judicial the stamp paper in the prescribed format, as specified at clause 16.4.
- 22.3. Details of bank account, including the Fellow's 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 of the same account bearing name of the Fellow.
- 22.4 If affiliated to any university / institute, then acceptance letter from Registrar/Head / Dean/Principal stating university that all facilities for research will be provided in the institutions to the Fellow under the ICPR fellowship.
- 22.5 An anticipated contingency expenditure of first six months.
- 22.6 The National Fellow has to deliver at least4 Lectures: 3 in universities of his / her choice, and 1 at ICPR Academic Centre, Lucknow.

23. Common Terms and Conditions Applicable to All Categories of Fellowships

- 23.1 If a fellow wishes to join a gainful academic employment during the period of fellowship he/ she shall apply for a leave to ICPR. Such leave may be granted by the authority, but no fellowship will be given for this leave period. Such leaves shall not exceed six months during the tenure of the fellowship. The fellowship period will be extended to the extent of such leaves availed. The same condition of leave and extension will be applicable to the medical leaves on the ground of ill-health.
- 23.2. 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 shall be paid to the legal heirs of the Fellow.

- 23.3. An application for the extension of Fellowship, if any, shall be submitted to the Member Secretary at least 3 months before expiry of the tenure of the Fellowship. The Fellow should also submit a copy of the work done so far and clearly state a date by when the work will be completed.
- 23.4 Continuance of fellowships depends upon maintenance of discipline and 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. The Research Project Committee can review such matters 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.

Annexure -I

Certificate regarding Physical Limitation in an Examinee to Write

This is to certify that, I have examined Mr/Ms/Mrs _____ (name of the candidate with disability), a person with _____ (nature and percentage of disability as mentioned in the certificate of disability), S / o / D / o _____, a resident of _____ (Village/District/State) and to state that he/she has physical limitation which hampers his/her writing capabilities owing to his/her disability.



Signature
Chief Medical Officer/ Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent of a
Government health care institution
Name & Designation
Name of Government Hospital/Health Care Centre with Seal

Place:

Date:

[Note: Certificate should be given by a specialist of the relevant stream/disability (eg. Visual impairment – Ophthalmologist, Locomotor disability – Orthopaedic specialist/PMR).]

Annexure-II

Letter of Undertaking for Using Own Scribe



I _____, a candidate with _____
(name of the disability) appearing for the _____ (name of the
examination) bearing Roll No. _____ at _____
(name of the centre) in the District _____,
_____ (name of the State). My qualification is
_____.

I do hereby state that _____ (name of the scribe) will provide the
service of scribe/reader/lab assistant for the undersigned for taking the aforesaid
examination.

I do hereby undertake that his qualification is _____. In case,
subsequently it is found that his qualification is not as declared by the undersigned
and is beyond my qualification, I shall forfeit my right to the post and claims relating
thereto.

(Signature of the candidate with Disability)

Place:

Date:

Note: Aadhar card of the Scribe is enclosed.