

## **Guidelines for Joining ICMR-PDF Scheme**

### **Eligibility**

- Fresh PhDs/MD/MS within three years of completing their Ph.D./MD/MS degree (awarded) as on the last date of the application and also those who have received their provisional Ph.D./MD/MS degree can apply. Degree copy to be submitted as on the last date of application form.

**Note: Result notification/certificate or Viva-voce/Thesis submitted notification will not be considered**

- **The Post Doctoral proposed research work should be the continuation of the Ph.D. or MD/MS research work. If not, then the application will not be considered.**
- PDF Guide should be having the minimum designation of Scientist-C grade.
- Postgraduate medical students are also permitted to carry out ICMR's PDF in MCI recognized postgraduate medical colleges wherein minimum of three batches have obtained their postgraduate degree.
- ICMR PDF is open to Indian nationals only.

### **Tenure**

- Two years only and extendable for maximum one more year based on outstanding performance and recommendations by the Director/Officer-in-Charge of the concerned ICMR Institutes/ Centers.
- In the event of the PDF leaving before completing one year, he/she will have to refund the fellowship drawn by him/her from the date of joining to the date of leaving the fellowship.

### **Maximum Age Limit**

- 32 years, relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST/OBC/PH and women candidates, as on last date of application (30th June and 31st December) .
- For deserving candidates age can be relaxed maximum up to maximum of 3 years based on earlier work done, publications, awards *etc.* along with the request by sponsoring Director/Director-in-Charge. Director General, ICMR may consider and relax on the recommendation of the screening committee.

### **Remuneration**

- ICMR PDFs will be paid a consolidated fellowship of Rs. 65,000/- per month *w.e.f.* 31-07-2020 (**Order No. 1/2/2020-Admin-II, Dated, 31-07-2020**) plus House Rent Allowance (HRA) as per Govt. of India rule, Non Practicing allowance (NPA) as admissible and a contingency grant of Rs. 3.0 lakhs per annum.

- 25% of the contingency grant can be used for travel including per diem expenses (only for National travel, related to ICMR-PDF proposed research work only).

### **Mode of Selection**

- Selection of the “ICMR Centenary Post Doctoral Fellows” will be made through interview of short listed candidates by specially constituted Selection Committee by DG, ICMR based on their publications, citations and its impact factor.
- The place of interview will be ICMR Hqrs. New Delhi.
- Eligible candidates must route their applications through the sponsoring ICMR Institutes/ Centers. Applicants coming from abroad may also be considered in absentia, if eligible and found suitable by the Committee.

### **Accommodation and other benefits**

- Accommodation may be provided by ICMR Institutes/Centers if available. However, in such cases HRA will not be paid.
- ICMR PDFs will be entitled for medical benefits and leave as per the ICMR rules for JRF/Research Associates.

### **Other relevant information**

- Fellowship amount will be paid to ICMR institutes/Centre every six months including contingency grant.
- **It is mandatory to submit the Plagiarism check report along with the declaration to be submitted to ICMR along with the PDF proposal and application.**
- All other rules and regulations as applicable to ICMR JRF/Research Associate (can be seen at [main.icmr.nic.in](http://main.icmr.nic.in)) will be applicable to PDF's.
- In all matters, the decision of ICMR Competent Authority shall be final.
- List of ICMR Institutes/Centers and their niche Areas/R&D activities are available on the ICMR website. For more information about institute/centre, please visit the websites of the individual Institutes/ Centers.

### **Date's for receiving application**

Selection will be made twice in a year *i.e.* 30th June and 31st December every year.

**How to apply-** Please read the instructions, given above carefully before filling the Application Form.

- Applications complete in all respect must be submitted on or before the closing date (as mentioned above).
- Candidates are advised to contact the Director/Officer-in Charge of ICMR Institutes/Centers where they are interested to pursue their PDF.

- Applicants can visit the website of the particular ICMR Institute/Center to know the activities of the Institutes/Centers and their mandates.
- Application received without the recommendation of the Director /Officer-in charge of the sponsoring ICMR institutes/centers will not be considered.

### **Instructions to fill in Application Form**

#### **General**

1. Completed application should be accompanied by all the requisite documents.
2. You are requested to go through the '**check list**' of documents given below, before submitting the application. **Incomplete applications are liable to be rejected.**
3. Upload self attested photocopies of all documents as required.

#### **Name**

- Name given here should be the same as given in your matriculation/ higher secondary certificate and degree certificates. If there is a change, addition or deletion, an affidavit from a Notary public/Magistrate is necessary.

### **CHECK LIST before submitting application form**

#### **Mandatory**

- a. Self Declaration (Format Available)
- b. Attested copy of School Leaving/ High School/Secondary School Certificate (for date of birth)
- c. Attested 10<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>/ B.Sc./M.Sc./M.Phil./B.E./ M.E/B.Pharm/M.Pharm./Ph.D./MBBS/MD/MS marsheets/degree as one pdf
- d. Plagiarism Check report duly verified by ICMR-RIO (Format Available)
- e. Attestation by Guide and Director/Director-in-Charge of ICMR Institute/Center (format available)
- f. Recent Photograph
- g. One page summary of Ph.D. thesis
- h. Detailed research proposal
- i. Testimonials from two Referees (One should be Ph.D. Guide)

#### **Optional**

- j. Declaration by Indian Nationals Working Abroad (format available)
- k. Caste Certificate

- l. List of publications
- m. List of Patents
- n. List of Books
- o. Reprints of publications
- p. Affidavit if you carry different name/Surnames in your certificates
- q. Attested copies of Letter(s) of Acceptance for paper(s) accepted for publication & pre-prints