



## NATIONAL TESTING SERVICE-INDIA

### Centre for Testing and Evaluation

H.Q: Central Institute of Indian Languages

( MHRD, Government of India)

MYSORE - 570 006



## Award of NTS Research Fellowships

### Attention! Post Graduates / Researchers!!

The NTS-India invites applications from post graduates / researchers of any discipline of study for the award of 30 Doctoral and 15 Post Doctoral fellowships (including two Doctoral and one Post Doctoral for North-Eastern Region) for the year 2010-11. The fellowships will be equally distributed among the three languages viz., Hindi, Tamil, and Urdu.

This is initiated with a view to promote research in the interdisciplinary areas of testing and evaluation. The research topic may be in any discipline but with a component on testing and evaluation.

The applicant should have studied one of the above 3 languages under Part I / Part II upto the graduate level. If the applicants are from other disciplines such as engineering, medicine, agriculture, management, etc., they should have studied one of these languages upto Higher Secondary level.

The value of fellowship for doctoral research is Rs. 10,000/- per month with a contingency of Rs. 20,000/- per annum; for post doctoral research Rs. 12,000/- per month with a contingency of Rs.30,000/- per annum. The period of the fellowship is 2 years and may be extended by one more year based on a strict assessment procedure in deserving cases when the need arises.



For prescribed application format, terms and conditions, operational details etc. please logon to [www.ciil-ntsindia.net](http://www.ciil-ntsindia.net), [www.ciil-miles.net](http://www.ciil-miles.net), and look for **ANNOUNCEMENT (NEW)**. The duly filled in applications in the prescribed format should reach the Head, NTS-India, CIIL, Mysore - 570 006, within 21 days of the date of publication of this advertisement (28 days for the candidates from North-East region only).

Director, CIIL

### ♦ Objectives

- (i) To promote advanced studies in the multidisciplinary area of testing and evaluation.
- (ii) To extend financial support and to create a band of specialized manpower in every discipline, and in every region of the country to meet the shortage of trained manpower.
- (iii) To evolve a system of eclectic intelligentsia by pooling together the potentials available across the disciplines.

### ♦ General Eligibility

- (i) Anyone with first or high second class master-degree in any discipline (language, humanities, science, technology, medicine, management, law, etc.) is eligible to apply.
- (ii) In addition to the master-degree in any of the discipline, a degree in education will have an added advantage.
- (iii) The applicants are expected to be within the prescribed age limit which will be notified at the time of releasing the advertisement.
- (iv) The scholar could work on a topic in any discipline of study (involving evaluation principles) under the supervision of an approved guide in any recognized university of the country.
- (v) At present, the number of doctoral research fellowship is 30 and post doctoral fellowship is 15 per annum. The number is likely to vary depending on the extent of requirement from time to time.
- (vi) There will be a special quota for north eastern region, apart from the other statutory quota facility.

## Terms & Conditions (Updated on 14/11/11)

### ◆ *Value & duration of fellowships*

| Doctoral Fellowship                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Post Doctoral Fellowship                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| (i) Rs.10, 000/-per month (subject to any revision by the Ministry of HRD) initially for a period of 3 years and may be extended (on year to year basis) for a maximum period of 1 more year <i>based on a strict assessment procedure</i> | (ii) Rs.12, 000/- per month (subject to any revision by the Ministry of HRD) initially for a period of 2 years and may be extended by one more year <i>based on a strict assessment procedure</i> . |
| (i) A contingency grant of Rs.20,000/- per annum will also be provided to meet other related expenses such as field study / data collection, purchase of equipments, stationery, etc.                                                      | (ii) A contingency grant of Rs.30,000/- per annum will also be provided to meet other related expenses such as field study / data collection, purchase of equipments, stationery, etc.              |

### ◆ *Facilities such as leave, etc.*

- (i) Both doctoral and post doctoral candidates shall be entitled for a maximum period of 30 days of leave in a year in addition to public holidays. They will not be entitled for any other type of leave. This can be monitored by the Guide and the HOD and the same may be informed to NTS.
- (ii) Women candidates may however be eligible for maternity leave of 3 months at full rates of fellowships only once during the whole tenure of the award of the fellowship.
- (iii) In exceptional cases, the leave without fellowship shall be allowed but restricted to a maximum period of 3 months only once during the entire tenure of the fellowship.
- (iv) The candidates while seeking any such leave shall have to apply through proper channel well in advance with supporting documents (such as medical certificates, appointment letters) for approval of the competent authority at the NTS head quarters.

**Note : The respective guides / supervisors are requested to inform the NTS, if the scholar under them takes extraordinary leave other than the leave prescribed under para (i) to (iv)].**

### ◆ *Procedure for release of the fellowship*

The effective date of commencement of fellowship & its continuation will be decided by the competent authority based on the following:

- (i) The joining / acceptance report.
- (ii) Verification of documents / certificates, etc.
- (iii) Confirmation of Doctoral / Post Doctoral Fellowships registration.
- (iv) The progress report of the work in every quarter duly signed by the supervisor/guide, and countersigned by the Head of the department (Academic) or a concerned designate for such certification of the university / college / institute of higher learning.

### ◆ *General*

- (i) The research scholar shall devote his/her full time to the research for which they have been awarded the Doctoral / Post-Doctoral fellowship and shall not do any other paid work or receive another scholarship or any grant from any other source during the tenure of this fellowship. They shall not pursue any course of study other than for which they have been awarded the NTS-I, fellowship.
- (ii) The research scholar shall not accept any honorarium or financial assistance from any agency or source without the prior written permission of the NTS-I. If at any time the NTS-I decides to give such

permission the scholar shall not hesitate to surrender the whole or part of any such honorarium or money received by them to the NTS-I, if required by the NTS-I to do so.

- (iii) The continuance of the fellowship is subject to satisfactory progress being made by the research scholar in the studies. If there is any adverse report from an authority either in respect of the studies or conduct or behavior of the scholar or if he/she abstains from the studies for a considerable time, the NTS-I can cancel the fellowship and also recover the amount already spent on him/her.
- (iv) The NTS-I has the right to change the terms and conditions of the fellowship scheme at any time whenever it feels necessary to do so and the research scholars shall abide by the decision of the NTS-I (in the terms and conditions of the scheme).

The scholar shall continue to remain in touch with the NTS-I during the fellowship period and shall keep NTS-I informed of the following:

- (a) any change in the address even if it is only temporary.
- (b) any injury, illness, loss or damage to the person or property of the research scholar.
- (c) any legal proceedings involving the research scholar.

#### ◆ *Monitoring of the Progress*

- (i) The performance of the candidates (both for doctoral and post doctoral fellowship) shall be regularly monitored by a designated committee as per the procedures established at the NTS.
- (ii) The candidate will not be permitted to accept or hold any position paid or unpaid or receive emoluments / salary or stipends etc. from other sources during the tenure of the fellowship awarded by the NTS-India.
- (iii) The fellowship may be terminated at any time during the tenure of its award, if the candidate:
  - (a) Has not shown adequate progress after initiating the research.
  - (b) Found involved in any activity detrimental to the NTS, or Govt. of India.
  - (c) Found violating any of the terms & conditions of NTS fellowships.
- (iv) Any additional claim after the actual tenure of fellowship shall be treated as illegal and in such case, the candidate is liable to face disciplinary action.
- (v) The candidates will have to be available for discussion / orientation at the NTS Head Quarters, CIIL, Mysore for 60 days in a year during the fellowship period failing which their fellowship will be withheld. The period of 60 days can be spent at NTS Head Quarters in a maximum of three spells. Any kind of leave during the period will not be entertained (except under extraordinary circumstances).
- (vi) Within the specified period, the candidate has to submit his/her thesis to the University / Institution concerned and a copy of the same to the NTS-India at CIIL, Mysore. Failure to send a copy of the research work shall lead to the legal proceedings for the recovery of the amount spent on him/her by NTS-I.

#### ◆ *Conditions related to publication of research papers*

- (i) The candidates can write research papers / articles for seminars and journals, for publication with an intimation to Head, NTS.
- (ii) Shifting of the place of work including transfer from one institution to another (in unavoidable circumstances) will be considered with prior permission from the competent authority of the NTS, CIIL.

**Note:** 1) The above terms & conditions will equally be binding upon the candidates of the North-East Region.

2) This will however be amended as and when required and as per directives of the PAC of NTS / Ministry, which will be binding on the awardees.

## Utilization of Contingent Grants

1. A contingency grant of Rs. 20, 000/- (for doctoral research Scholars) and Rs. 30, 000/- (for Post Doctoral Research Scholars) is admissible per annum payable once in 6 months (calculated from the months of commencement of the fellowship).
2. The grant may be utilized for the following items with the approval of the Supervisor and the Head, National Testing Service-India.
  - a. Purchase of books, journals, apparatus, chemicals, equipments, etc., needed for the approved research.
  - b. Cost of Xeroxing, typing (including thesis), stationery, postage and clerical or other assistance.
  - c. Expenditure incurred on field work / travel expenses.
3. On termination of the scholarship, the apparatus and other non-consumable articles purchased out of the contingency grant will become the property of the institution where the researcher works. A scholar may, retain with him the books purchased out of the contingency grant, with the permission of the Head, NTS.
4. The Contingency grant is not intended for meeting expenditure on furniture items normally provided by the University / College / Institute and payment of examination or other fees.
5. For all expenditure out of the contingency grant, a certificate from the Supervisor to the effect that the expenditure incurred was in furtherance of the approved research work will be necessary.
6. The travel expenses for field work / travel undertaken by a scholar in connection with the approved research work will be admissible. The travel cost will be limited to the II sleeper class. The daily allowance of Rs. 100/- will be admissible during the travel period as incidental charges.

**Note:** Fellowship will be released to the researcher directly with a copy marked to the supervisor, on receipt of pre-receipted bills duly signed by the researcher and countersigned by the supervisor.

[Download](#) **Terms & Conditions, Utilization of Contingent Grants**

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Image of the Prescribed Application Format



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**Central Institute of Indian Languages**

(Ministry of HRD, Government of India)

**MYSORE - 570 006**

## Application for Award of Doctoral / Post-Doctoral Fellowship

*(Format of prescribed Application Form)*

1. Name and Address :

*(with district, state, & pincode)*

*- all in block letters)*

E-mail :

STD Code Telephone No.

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Mobile :

2. Sex, Age, & Date of Birth :

3. Name of Father / Mother / Guardian :

4. Nationality and Religion :

5. Languages known :

*(Mother tongue to be underlined)*

6. If reservation is claimed, indicate the category :

*(enclose supporting document)*

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|-----|-----|-----|---------|
| SC  | ST  | OBC | General |
| PHC | PHC | PHC | PHC     |

\* PHC-Physically handicapped

7. Educational Qualifications

| Year | Course & subjects studied / specialisation | Institution | Percentage of marks obtained |
|------|--------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
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*(Enclose photo copies of all the mark sheets, certificates from matriculation onwards.)*

8. Experience (Teaching and/or Research)

| Year | Particulars of teaching / research experience | Institution | Remarks |
|------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|---------|
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9. Details of prior knowledge of Evaluation and Testing, if any

(attach separate sheet, if required).

**10. A. For Doctoral\***

- (a) Topic of research\*\*  
*(enclose the synopsis)*
- (b). Name & Designation of the Guide
- (c). Name of the University where the applicant has registered or proposes to register
- (d) Date of joining, if registered.

**B. For Post-Doctoral\***

- (a) Topic of doctoral dissertation.  
*(enclose summary in 500 words, specifying the objectives, methodology and findings / outcome of the study. Particulars of the guide, university, etc., also may be furnished)*
- (b) Topic of post-doctoral research\*\*  
*(enclose synopsis specifying the objectives, methodology, chapterization, expected outcome, etc.)*
- (c) Name of the University where the applicant has registered or proposes to register for research.
- (d) Date of joining, if registered :

The information provided is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Place : (Signature of Applicant)

Date :

Name and Signature of the Guide  
(with office seal)

Signature of the Forwarding Authority  
(with office seal)

\* Strike off the non applicable one

\*\* For details of research problems please see our website : [www.ciiil-miles.net](http://www.ciiil-miles.net); click the link 'Announcement' and look for Module Developers / Training Modules.