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**Subject : National Fellowship for Higher Education (NFHE) of ST Students to pursue M.Phil/Ph.D. Degree**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Congratulations !! With reference to your application for the **National Fellowship for Higher Education (NFHE) of ST Students**, I am happy to inform you that based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee; the UGC has selected you for the **National Fellowship for Higher Education (NFHE)** for the year **2016-17**.

The tenure of the fellowship is for five years and it commences w.e.f. 1.4.2016 (or) from the date of Registration under M.Phil / Ph.D. (or) from the date of joining in M.Phil / Ph.D. programme, whichever is later. The other requirements and details of the Scheme is enclosed as

**Annexure-I**. The summary of the financial assistance offered under the Scheme are as follows:

S.No.	Item	Fellowship
1.	Amount of Fellowship (For All Subjects)	@ Rs.25,000/- per month for initial two years (JRF), @ Rs.28,000/- per month for the remaining tenure (SRF)
2.	Contingency (For Humanities, Social Sciences and Commerce)	@ Rs.10,000/- per annum for initial two years, @ Rs.20,500/- per annum for remaining three years.
3.	Contingency (For Sciences and Engineering & Technology)	@ Rs.12,000/- per annum for initial two years, @ Rs.25,000/- per annum for remaining three years.
4.	Escorts / Reader Assistance	@ Rs.2,000/- per month in case of physically and visually challenged candidates.
5.	HRA	As per University / Institution rules.

The awardee must registered for **regular** and **full time M.Phil / Ph.D.** course in a University / Institution which are included & declared fit to receive financial assistance under Sec. 2 (f) and 12 B of the UGC Act 1956/ICAR Norms. Kindly note that this period is not extendable under any circumstances. It may also be noted that the admission to M.Phil / Ph.D. should be taken by fulfilling the conditions of admission of the University / Institution concerned subject to the provision of the scheme as per advertisement of UGC.

It may be noted that the fellowship amount shall be disbursed through Canara Bank to the bank account of the awardee, (any bank) directly. The list of designated branches of Canara Bank is available on the UGC portal [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in). The awardee is required to approach the designated branch along with a Copy of the Award Letter and Joining Report with photograph, address and contact number in the prescribed proforma. **Annexure-II**

The awardee is also required to submit the following documents to the designated branch of the Bank at the stipulated period interval:

1. At the end of every three months a 'Continuation Certificate' in the prescribed proforma. **Annexure-III**. This will make the awardee eligible to draw the fellowship for the next three months.
2. Half yearly submission of Progress report in the prescribed proforma **Annexure-IV** along with the 'Continuation Certificate'.
3. Details of the expenditure incurred out of the contingency grant to be submitted annually in the prescribed proforma. **Annexure-V**.
4. The claim towards HRA is subject to the submission of HRA certificate in the prescribed proforma **Annexure-VI**.
5. After the completion of two years of award of fellowship an 'Upgradation Certificate' need to be submitted in the prescribed proforma **Annexure-VII** along with Progress Report and Continuation Certificate.

It may be noted that UGC has proposed to link "AADHAAR" with student's bank accounts numbers so that there can be direct cash transfer and effective disbursement of fellowship into the bank account of the student. In this regard Secretary, UGC has already requested to universities for helping the students for Aadhaar Enrolment vide his D.O. letter No.F.14-34/2011(CPP-II) dated 11-01-2013.

It may please be noted that the award is liable to be cancelled and it will also attract legal action against the awardee in the following cases:

- i) If the awardee is found to be ineligible to receive the award, at any point of time during the entire duration of the fellowship
- ii) Misconduct of Awardee
- iii) Unsatisfactory progress of research work of the awardee
- iv) Any other fellowship is drawn from other source(s).
- v) Concealment of facts and on any other ground of misconduct.

In order to provide easy accessibility, all the details of the scheme, its requirements, all the prescribed proforma for submission of the documents along with the details of the designated branches of Canara Bank are available on the UGC portal [www.ugc.ac.in/rgnfst](http://www.ugc.ac.in/rgnfst)

Yours faithfully,

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(Sunita Siwach)  
Deputy Secretary

CC: 1. The Registrar/Director/Principal (NA)  
2. The Head, Department of (Geography,NA)

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