Department of Science & Technology

RAMANUJAN FELLOWSHIPS

Nominations are invited for the ‘Ramanujan Fellowships’ recently instituted by the Government of India. The fellowship is meant for brilliant scientists and engineers from all over the world to take up scientific research positions in India, especially those scientists who want to return to India from abroad. The fellowships are scientist-specific and very selective. The Ramanujan Fellows could work in any of the scientific institutions and universities in the country and they would be eligible for receiving regular research grants through the extramural funding schemes of various S&T agencies of the Government of India.

SCOPE

All areas of science (in the broadest terms) will be covered by this fellowship.

ELIGIBILITY

(i) The fellowship is open to brilliant scientists and engineers from all over the world who are below the age of 60 years.

(ii) The applicant should possess a higher degree or equivalent, such as Ph.D. in Science/Engineering, Masters in Engineering or Technology/MD in Medicine, etc. and have adequate professional experience.

(iii) These Fellowships are very selective and only those who have a proven/outstanding tract-record as evident from their research publications and recognitions would be eligible.

(iv) The candidate has to opt for either this fellowship or his present position/fellowship, if any.

DURATION

The duration of the fellowship will be initially for five years.

NATURE OF SUPPORT

- The value of the fellowship will be Rs 50,000 per month for the first 3 years of the fellowship and will be increased to Rs 60,000 per month during the last two years.

- Each Fellow will, in addition, receive a contingency of Rs 5.00 lakh per annum for conferences and other expenses.

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METHODOLOGY FOR SELECTION

- The scientists can choose to work at any S&T institution including University Departments or other academic institutions and National Laboratories in India, provided the institution at which they wish to pursue research is willing to provide the necessary R&D, administrative and basic infrastructural support to facilitate research.

- The availability of Ramanujan Fellowships will be advertised by various academic and research Institutions on their websites in order to receive applications from interested scientists and technologists. The Institutions will subsequently submit their recommended nominations to the Department of Science & Technology. Institutions may consider setting up appropriate mechanisms to scrutinize and recommend the nominations.

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• Individual scientists and technologists can also approach the institutions for hosting them for the Fellowship and forwarding their nominations to DST for the Fellowship.

• Selection of Ramanujan Fellows will be made periodically by an empowered Search-cum-Selection Committee specially appointed for the purpose.

• The nominations of scientists and technologists by the Institutions would be received throughout the year. There is, thus, no last date for this scheme.

All nominations may be sent to:
Dr Praveer Asthana
Scientist G
Department of Science & Technology
Technology Bhavan
New Mehrauli Road
New Delhi 110 016

This advertisement is also available on the Internet at http://www.dst.gov.in and http://www.serc-dst.org

FORMAT FOR NOMINATION FOR RAMANUJAN FELLOWSHIPS

1. Broad subject area (Life Sciences, Physical Sciences, Chemical Sciences, Earth & Atmospheric Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Engineering Sciences)

2. Area of specialization

3. Name of the candidate

4. Mailing address (must indicate Telephone, Fax and e-mail address)

5. Date of birth

6. Educational qualifications:
   (From Bachelor’s degree onwards)

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7. (a) Details of professional training and research experience, specifying period.
   (b) List of significant publications during the last 5 years.

8. Details of employment.

9. Professional recognitions, awards, fellowships received.

10. Proposed area of research and brief outline of proposal (specify the research work at present engaged in, future plans, prospects after the fellowship, how will the work strengthen basic research in the country, etc. – not more than 5 pages).

11. Name of the institutions where the fellowship will be availed.

12. Institution’s recommendations: