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UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG,

NEW DELHI-110002

February, 2015

Subject : Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST Candidates to pursue M.Phil/Ph.D. Degree

Dear Sir/Madam,

Congratulations !! With reference to your application for the **Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST Candidates**, I am happy to inform you that based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee; the UGC has selected you for the **Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST Candidates**, for the year **2014-15**.

The tenure of the fellowship is for five years and it commences w.e.f. 1.4.2014 (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 |
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| 1. | Amount of Fellowship (For All Subjects) | @ Rs.16,000/- per month for initial two years (JRF), @ Rs.18,000/- 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 is required to get admission and registration for **regular and full time M.Phil / Ph.D.** course in a University / Institution recognized by the UGC at the first available opportunity but not later than two years from the date of issue of this award letter. 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 Bank to be identified/notified by Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi to the bank account of the awardee, (any bank) directly. The list of designated branches of Bank will be available on the ministry's portal. 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 no. 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