

**No. DST/INSPIRE Fellowship/2018/IF180834**  
**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

**Technology Bhawan**  
**New Mehrauli Road**  
**New Delhi-110016**  
**Dated: October 16, 2023**

**SANCTION ORDER**

Subject: INSPIRE Fellowship under INSPIRE Program – Release of 5th Installment of fellowship for student pursuing full-time doctoral (PhD) Program at Manipal Academy of Higher Education, MANIPAL, Manipal, KARNATAKA - 576104.

The President is hereby pleased to accord sanction of Rs. 741761.00/- (Rupees Seven Lakh(s) Forty-One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-One only) for the fellow as under:

<b>INSPIRE Code</b>	<b>Name, Designation</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>University/Institute /College</b>	<b>Name of Supervisor</b>	<b>Effective Date(MM/DD/YYYY)</b>
IF180834	SOUMI CHOWDHURY, SRF	Microbiology	Manipal Academy of Higher Education	Dr Chiranjay Mukhopadhyay	6/7/2019

to pursue full-time doctoral (PhD) program under the AORC scheme of the INSPIRE Program of the Department of Science & Technology (DST), New Delhi. The JRF under this scheme will be called as "INSPIRE Fellow" and the INSPIRE Fellowship will be tenable for five (5) years or completion of the PhD Program, whichever is earlier with effect from the 'Effective Date' as indicated. The students, who are availing any other fellowship currently, need to switch over to INSPIRE Fellowship in case of acceptance of this fellowship. In case of M. Phil./ M. Tech./ MS. leading to PhD degree, INSPIRE fellowship shall not be utilized during the tenure of M. Phil./ M. Tech./ MS. degree.

2. The breakup of total available funds [released amount Rs. ( 735786.00/-) + carry forward amount Rs. ( 5975/- ) ] = Rs. ( 741761.00/- ) for 12 months would be Basic Fellowship ( @ 504000/- p.y. ) + HRA ( @ 45360/-p.y. ) = Rs. ( 549360/- ) , Contingency ( @ Rs. 20000/- p.y.)= Rs.( 20000/- ) & Arrear = Rs. (172401.00/-).

3. Sanction of the President is here by also accorded to carry forward of unspent balance of Rs. ( 5975/- ) = [Fellowship + HRA = Rs. ( 0/- ) and Contingency = Rs. ( 5975/- )] which is adjusted in the present release.

4. The Fellowship under the INSPIRE Fellowship scheme shall be governed through the OM of this Ministry of number A.20020/11/97-IFD dated 6th August 2007, A.20020/11/97-IFD dated 31st March 2010, SR/S9/Z-09/2012 dated 21st October 2014 and SR/S9/Z-08/2018 dated 30th January 2019 (the revised fellowship will take effect from 01.01.2019).

5. The amount of Rs. 735786.00/- (Rupees Seven Lakh(s) Thirty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-Six only) for the fellowship of 12 months is being released by Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi through online PFMS system (<https://pfms.nic.in>) to REGISTRAR, MANIPAL ACADEMY OF HIGHER EDUCATION, MANIPAL, Manipal, KARNATAKA - 576104 in its A/c No.: 60421823600, IFSC Code: MAHB0001263 of Bank : BANK OF MAHARASHTRA for the fellowship as above.

6. Contingency grant for the INSPIRE Fellows pursuing PhD under INSPIRE Program **can not be exceed Rs.20,000 per year and Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh)** in total five years tenure. Unspent balance related to Fellowship, HRA and Contingency amount **can not** be carry forwarded to next year, it will be adjusted by DST on receipt of SE/UC.

7. The aforesaid INSPIRE Fellow of Manipal Academy of Higher Education, MANIPAL, Manipal, KARNATAKA - 576104 shall be eligible for holding One Fellowship at any time provided by any governmental/non-governmental agency and the option by student needs to be exercised in this regard. The Fellowship needs to be monitored by the host Institution/University who will also regulate the payment of Fellowship through their PhD Supervisor during the complete tenure of PhD. (please visit <http://online-inspire.gov.in/Account/FAQ#Chapter3>)

8. Host Institute Manipal Academy of Higher Education, MANIPAL, Manipal, KARNATAKA - 576104 will furnish financial records in the form of the Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate and INSPIRE Fellows needs to submit the progress report under INSPIRE Program to DST through online. After receiving these documents, DST will release the next installment amount if applicable. This is also subject to the condition of submission of the final statement of expenditure, utilization certificate and final completion report within one year from the scheduled date of completion.

9. The grantee organization will maintain separate audited account for the fellowship/project and the entire amount of grant will be kept in Zero Balance Subsidiary account. For Grants released during F.Y. 2017-18 to 2022-23 (till August 2022), all interests and other earnings against released Grant shall be remitted to Consolidated Fund of India (through Non-Tax Receipt Portal (NTRP), i.e. [www.bharatkosh.gov.in](http://www.bharatkosh.gov.in)), immediately after finalization of accounts, as it shall not be adjusted towards future release of Grant. A certificate to this effect shall have to be submitted along with Statement of Expenditure / Utilization Certificate in online INSPIRE portal for considering subsequent release of Grant/Closure of Project accounts.

10. As per rule 236(1) of GFR 2017, the accounts of Grantee Institution shall be open to inspection by the sanctioning authority and audit whenever the institute is called upon to do so.

11. The grantee organization will have to enter & upload the utilization certificate in the PFMS portal. The subsequent installment release/settlement will be done only after confirmation of the acceptance of the uploaded SE/UC of the INSPIRE Fellow in online INSPIRE portal and entry of previous UCs' by the division.

12. The host Institute should ensure that w.e.f. **1<sup>st</sup> July 2021** onwards the payment of House Rent Allowances (city classified as 'X', 'Y', 'Z' category) is made as per prevailing rate of GOI.

13. The sanction issues under the powers delegated to the Ministries and with the concurrence of the Integrated Finance Division, Department of Science & Technology vide their IFD/C/I/Dy.No IFD/C/I/200923/31/02833 in F.Y. 2023-24 dated 9/20/2023 (MM/DD/YYYY) with the E File No: E 38630.

**Dr. S.Mallikarjuna.Babu**  
**Scientist - 'C'**

To,

1. No. DST/INSPIRE Fellowship/2018/IF180834

REGISTRAR

The MANIPAL ACADEMY OF HIGHER EDUCATION

MANIPAL, Manipal, KARNATAKA - 576104

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SOUMI CHOWDHURY [DST/INSPIRE/03/2018/003582]

STREET NO 63 QRS NO 26\4B PO PS CHITTARANJAN DIST BURDWAN, WEST BENGAL, Bardhaman, 700092

### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Prepare and Submit the SE UC as and when your Fellowship amount (including HRA) balance is below Rs.40,000/-.
2. In case the Fellow stays at the Institute or University Hostel accomodation, HRA would not be claimed and shall be indicated at the "Remarks" column of the SE accordingly.
3. Presently no separate category is available for JRF-P or SRF-P w.e.f October 2014.
4. SE and UC being submitted should be properly signed, dated and stamped by the authority of institute, otherwise it will be considered as "incomplete" and rejected.
5. In case of more than one SE and UC, Please prepare/upload one single PDF file for SE and one single PDF file for UC on INSPIRE portal (<http://online-inspire.gov.in>) in such a way that the file size does not exceed 1 MB and is legible when a printout taken. And balance shown in the uploaded SE/UC should match with the manually entered balance in the online portal.
6. **Tracking of Released Fund in PFMS System (<https://pfms.nic.in>):** University/Institute concern may visit the link "<https://www.online-inspire.gov.in/Account/Notices>" available on online INSPIRE portal.
7. University/Institute shall make the fellowship payment through PFMS system (<https://pfms.nic.in>) only.
8. Candidates are **not required** to submit to DST either by post or by hand the printouts of their scan copy of SE/UC, Annual Report and Assessment Report. Documents should be submitted through online mode only.
9. There is separate link available for uploading **Assessment Report** on INSPIRE portal. Don't mix your Assessment Report with the Annual Report while uploading documents on the portal.
10. Fellowship to a few students have been made available now with old rate of fellowship. Arrears due to new rate to such students shall be provided during release of their next installment. No need to worry about this. You may indicate the amount of arrear on Fellowship+HRA (if any) at the "Remarks" column of the Statement of Expenditure/Claim Bill.
11. If your admissible HRA is not sanctioned as per current rate of the city. No need to worry, this will be adjusted at the time of next installment release. You may indicate the amount of arrear on HRA (if any) at the "Remarks" column of the Statement of Expenditure/Claim Bill.
12. Arrear due to SRF: If your installment has been released @ JRF and if you have been upgraded into SRF after the release has been made then arrear due to such rate will be adjusted at the time of next installment release. You may indicate the amount of arrear on SRF (if any) at the "Remarks" column of the Statement of Expenditure/Claim Bill. The host institute or University can disburse or adjust the released installment as per SRF category/rates if SRF Upgradation letter is issued from DST to the INSPIRE Fellow.
13. **Student needs to submit this order copy immediately to their host institute for further necessary action. No separate intimation shall be sent either to INSPIRE Fellow or Host institute.**
14. For any query please contact online suport Tel. No: 0124-6690020, 0124-6690021 & email id: [inspire.prog-dst@nic.in](mailto:inspire.prog-dst@nic.in).

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