

## **CSIR SHYAMA PRASAD MUKHERJEE FELLOWSHIP**

To commemorate the birth centenary year (2000) of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee, who was the first Vice-President of CSIR in the Independent India, CSIR has instituted a special fellowship, namely, "DR. SHYAMA PRASAD MUKHERJEE (SPM) FELLOWSHIP" open to toppers of CSIR-UGC JRF (NET) awardees and few other selective categories.

### **Objective:**

To nurture the budding scientific talent and to nourish the objective of pursuit of scientific research.

### **Scope:**

Pursuing PhD programme with a special fellowship in CSIR Labs/other specialized R & D institutions/universities.

### **Nature of Fellowship:**

Stipend: Rs.20,000/- + HRA per month during the first two years of the fellowship and a Contingency grant of Rs.70,000/- p.a. May be raised to Rs.24,000/- + HRA per month from third year onwards on the basis of review/satisfactory progress. May be reverted to JRF (NET), if performance is not found satisfactory.

**Duration:** Initially for 2 years. Extendable as per normal rules for CSIR JRF (NET) Programmes; maximum up to 5 years.

Guidelines for utilization of contingent grant are given in Annexure-I below:

### **Annexure-I**

Guidelines for utilization of contingent grant for Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Fellows:

Contingency grant can be used for:

- Purchasing books etc. relevant to research topic.
- Meeting train fare (AC III tier) and DA in case the fellow needs to travel in pursuit of research of presenting paper in the conference.
- Registration of PhD & submission of thesis.
- Registration fee for attending conference in India & abroad.
- Buying chemicals/ consumable items/ equipment.
- Reprints of research papers.
- Contingency grant may be utilized for specific items such as purchasing laptop/desktop computer once in the whole tenure, on recommendation of the supervisor.
- For attending conferences abroad, SPM Fellows should apply in the travel grant scheme of HRDG where partial/ full air fare is given to research scholars for presenting their research-papers. However, once in the entire tenure, per diem expenditure for the conference period can be claimed from contingency grant as per host institute's rule.

**Eligibility criteria and selection process will be uploaded soon.**