



## INDIAN COUNCIL OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH

35, Ferozeshah Road, New Delhi-110001

### SENIOR ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIP (SAF)

Session : 2024-25 & 2025-26

**SC, ST & PWD backlog seats**

Advertisement/Notification No: 01/2025/ICHR/SAF (Notification 2024-25 & 2025-26)

Dated:

Applications are invited for Senior Academic Fellowships (SAF) from SC/ST/PWD candidates as part of the special drive to fill the backlog fellowship seats. The eligible candidates in the prescribed form, which should reach to ICHR through email and registered postal service on or before **20.04.2026** The value of fellowship is Rs. 44,000/- per month with a contingency grant of Rs. 44,000/- per annum for a period of two years.

- A. The maximum number of fellowships available for the financial year 2024--2025 are as follows:

Session	Scheduled Caste (SC)	Scheduled Tribe (ST)	Person with Disability (PWD)	Total
SAF 2024-25	01	01	01	03

For the financial year 2025-2026 the details of the available seats are as follows:

Session	Scheduled Caste (SC)	Scheduled Tribe (ST)	Person with Disability (PWD)	Total
SAF 2025-26	02	01	01	04

- B. The Fellowship shall be a whole-time engagement for research work and cannot be combined with any other whole-time or part-time work (for details see Terms and Conditions in the ICHR Research Funding Rules (RFR) booklet, that is available on our official website i.e. [www.ichr.ac.in](http://www.ichr.ac.in))
- C. The period of the Fellowship shall be for **Two years** extendable up to a maximum of one more year **without any financial commitment** under special circumstances.
- D. The award of SAF will be through personal interaction.

#### 1. MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY:

Minimum Age : **50 years**

Minimum teaching/research experience : **15 years**

Minimum number of publications:

- Research articles in peer reviewed/acclaimed journals: **10** (out of these, the applicants need to send 5 of his/her best articles along with application).
- One standard book/experience of successfully completing two research projects.

## 2. SELECTION PROCEDURE:

- On the basis of the experts' assessment (if recommended), shortlisted candidates shall be required to make a presentation/ personal interaction on their proposed subject of research.
- The award of the Fellowship will be decided by a Committee of subject experts, on the basis of the experts' evaluation of the proposal and the presentation made by the candidate.
- The decision of the Committee shall be treated as final and shall not be called into question by anyone for whatever reasons.
- The personal interaction will be held at the ICHR's offices through online/ offline/ hybrid mode.
- Date, Venue and mode of interaction will be announced on the ICHR's website in due course of time. Please keep visiting the ICHR's website [www.ichr.ac.in](http://www.ichr.ac.in) for updates.

## 3. NOTE:

The SC,ST and PWD candidates who are shortlisted to make presentation or appear for interviews will be reimbursed their travel charges to the extent of 3AC railway fare chargeable by the shortest routes from railway station nearest to their normal place of residence or from where they actually perform the journey on production of ticket(s).

**Application form can be downloaded from the website of the ICHR: [www.ichr.ac.in](http://www.ichr.ac.in)**

Hard copy should be submitted to the Member Secretary and the electronic copy should be emailed on, [ichr.saf@gmail.com](mailto:ichr.saf@gmail.com) by **20.04.2026**.

### **General conditions:**

- 1) Indian Council of Historical Research reserves the right:**
  - a. to fix criteria for screening the applications so as to shortlist candidates to be called for presentation.
  - b. to increase/decrease the number of Fellowship on its own discretion.
  - c. not to award any of the advertised fellowships.
- 2) Application of Reservation rules in the award of Fellowships is subject to certain clarifications to be received from the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India.**
- 3) In the Application form the section for categories is for Administrative purposes (e.g. preparation of statistical data).**
- 4) The Research Project Committee (RPC) or any other Committee empowered to take any decision or make any recommendation under these Rules, may by a decision, duly recorded in its minutes, delegate any of its powers in a specific case or set of cases to the Chairman or Member Secretary, ICHR.**

- 5) A Post-Doctoral Fellows and Senior Academic Fellow is not eligible to apply for SAF, Research Projects and Foreign Travel Grant (FTG) within three years of completion of his Post Doctoral Fellowship (PDF)/ Senior Academic Fellowship (SAF). However, a Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) scholar can apply for PDF immediately after having completed his/ her Ph.D. research work and fulfilling all conditions under which JRF was awarded.
- 6) The ICHR does *not protect pay* of any candidate selected for the PDF. They are eligible only for fellowship grant only on whole time award.
- 7) Incomplete applications as well as applications received after the prescribed date will not be considered.

Eligible and interested scholars may apply along with self attested copies of the requisite documents by post to the **Member Secretary, Indian Council of Historical Research, 35, Ferozeshah Road, New Delhi- 110 001** and electronically on the above mentioned email id.

**Last date: 20.04.2026**

**Member Secretary**