

**INDIAN COUNCIL OF HISTORICAL RESEARCH  
35, Ferozeshah Road, New Delhi-110001**

**POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (PDF), 2025-2026**

Advertisement/Notification No: 01/2025/ICHR/PDF (Notification 2025-2026)

Date: 08.09.2025

Applications are invited from the eligible candidates for the Post-Doctoral Fellowships of ICHR. Duly filled application form should reach the undersigned on or before **15.10.2025**. The selected fellows will be awarded fellowship of Rs.30800/- per month and contingency grant of Rs.22000/- per annum for a period of two years.

- A. The maximum number of Post-Doctoral Fellowships (PDF) available for the year 2025-2026 are 10 (ten) only, applying the usual reservation for SC, ST & PWD.
- 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 booklet, which is available in 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 PDF will be through presentation-cum-interview.

**1. ELIGIBILITY:**

Scholars who have shown significant competence in research work, having been awarded their PhD or have done equivalent research work of merit in History or its allied subjects, and desire to work on approved research themes at recognized Institutions of Research or Universities under the guidance of a Senior Scholar. The applicants for the Fellowship should be affiliated with a University or a research institute of repute.

**2. HOW TO APPLY:**

- Eligible and interested scholars may apply in prescribed application form. The candidates are requested to download the application form from our website (i.e. [www.ichr.ac.in](http://www.ichr.ac.in)).
- A detailed synopsis (**Five copies**) on the proposed research topic should be submitted (both soft copy & hard copy) along with the application and requisite documents/certificates.
- The applicant should attach self attested copies of the certificates of educational qualifications, date of birth, research experience and signed copy of check list etc., and to be sent by post to the following address:

Member Secretary  
Indian Council of Historical Research  
35, Ferozeshah Road,  
New Delhi - 110001.

- And also, soft copy / electronic copy should be sent on email, [dd.pdf@ichr.ac.in](mailto:dd.pdf@ichr.ac.in) by 15.10.2025
- Fee: An application fee of Rs. 600/- (Rupees six hundred only) shall be paid in the form of a Demand Draft drawn in favour of the DDO, ICHR, payable at Delhi; [candidates belonging to SC/ST/Persons with Disability (PWD) category are exempted from payment of the fee].

## 2. MODE OF SELECTION:

- On the basis of the experts' assessment (if recommended), selected candidates shall be required to make a presentation on the proposed subject of research, before the selection Committee.
- The award of the Fellowship will be decided by a Committee of specialists, on the basis of the experts' evaluation of the proposal and the presentation made by the candidate.
- The award of PDF will be through a presentation followed by interview to be held at ICHR office, (through online/offline / hybrid mode). The date & venue will be announced in the website. Please visit/check the ICHR website i.e. [www.ichr.ac.in](http://www.ichr.ac.in) for further update.

## 3. NOTE:

3AC Railway or bus fare chargeable by the shortest routes from Railway Station/Bus Stand nearest to their normal place of residence or from where they actually perform the journey, whichever is nearer to the place of presentation & interview will be reimbursed only to the SC, ST and PWD candidates on production of ticket(s), provided the distance travelled is not less than 30 kms.

### General conditions:

- i. 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 interview;
  - b. to increase/decrease the number of fellowships on its own discretion.
  - c. not to award any of the advertised fellowships.
- ii. 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.
- iii. 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.
- iv. Applications for PDF should be submitted along with non-refundable fee of Rs.600/- (Rupees Six Hundred only) in the form of a *Demand Draft* drawn in favour of "DDO, ICHR" payable at Delhi. (Please note - *Any deviation from the prescribed mode of payment will not be acceptable*).

- v. 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.
- vi. The decision of the Committee shall be treated as final and shall not be called into question by anyone for whatever reasons.
- vii. A Post-Doctoral Fellows and Senior Academic Fellow is not eligible to apply for Senior Academic Fellowship (SAF), Research Projects and Foreign Travel Grant (FTG) within three years of completion of his PDF/ 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.
- viii. Incomplete applications as well as applications received after the prescribed date will be rejected.

**Last date: 15.10.2025**

**Member Secretary**

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## Application Form

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Address your application to:

To,  
**The Member Secretary,  
Indian Council of Historical Research,  
35, Ferozeshah Road,  
New Delhi - 110 001**

Affix your latest  
self attested  
Photograph and  
attach another  
with application  
form.

### A. PAYMENTINFORMATION:

Demand Draft No*.	Amount *	Issuing Bank *	Branch *	Date *

### B. PERSONALDETAILS:

- Name** (in capital Letters)\*:  
(As per SSC Certificate)
- Gender** \*: Male/Female/Third Gender
- Date of Birth** \*: DD / MM / YYYY  
(As per SSC Certificate)
- Name of Father** \*:
- Name of Mother** \*:
- Nationality** \*:
- Address for Communication** \*:  

HouseNo:	Street/Locality*:	Landmark*:
City*:	State*:	Pin Code*:
- Permanent Address** \*:  

HouseNo:	Street/Locality*:	Landmark*:
City*:	State*:	Pin Code*:
- Email ID** \*:
- Contact No**: Landline:                      Mobile\*:
- Do you belong to SC/ST Category** \*:  
If yes, please specify the Category:  
(Please attach self-attested copy of the Category/Caste/Tribe Certificates from appropriate authority\*)  
Yes/No

12. **Are you Physically Challenged?\***:

Yes/No

If yes, please specify: (i) Visually Impaired ii .Cerebral Palsy iii. Orthopedically Challenged  
(Please attach self-attested copy of the Certificates from appropriate authority\*)

13. **Language Skills;** Reading, Writing/Speaking:

14. **Present Occupation:**

If employed, give the details:

Present Position Held	Organization	Nature of Employment (Permanent/Temporary/Part Time/Contractual)	From (date)	Basic Salary

**C. ACADEMIC DETAILS:**

15. **Details of Ph. D. Degree:**

Title	Date of award of degree	Name & designation of the Supervisor	Name of the University with related state/UT

*Note: The candidate shall carry a copy of Ph.D. thesis at the time of Presentation-cum-Interview.*

16. **Other Research/Teaching Experiences**, if any:

17. **No. of Published Research Papers**, if any:

*Note: Please attach Published Research Papers and their details along with title in separate sheet with application form.*

**D. PROPOSAL DETAILS FOR POST DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (PDF):**

Title (Please attach five copies of synopsis*)	Specialization (Ancient/Medieval/ Modern)	Name and Designation of the Supervisor (Please attach Recommendation/consent Letter)	Name of the Institution of Affiliation (Please attach Affiliation Letter)

**Note: Submit a detailed proposal in the following format:**

- *Statement of the Problem*
- *State of Knowledge in the Field*
- *Review of other related works done on the subject*
- *Research Questions*
- *Research Objectives*
- *Research Methodology*
- *A tentative chapter design*
- *Bibliographical note with a list of primary sources to be consulted*
- *Knowledge of Language(s) of the sources*

#### E. OTHER DETAILS:

18. Whether the applicant has/had applied for financial support elsewhere for the same Research Proposal: YES / NO  
(If yes, specify the funding agency approached\*)

19. Details of financial assistance received for the present research work from ICHR or any other sources:

20. Scholarship/fellowship previously received/receiving (if any) from ICHR or any other organizations: YES / NO  
(If yes, please give the details and attach Completion Certificate\*)

Name of Scholarship/Fellowship with File Number	Value/Grant	Whether the work for which fellowship/ scholarship was awarded has been completed

#### I DECLARE THAT:

- The statements made by me in this form and the documents that are attached are true to the best of my knowledge.
- I have read the rules concerning the award of research fellowships of the Indian Council of Historical Research and I agree to abide by them, if a fellowship is awarded to me. I shall refund to the ICHR the funds made available to me, if I fail to report the progress of my work every 6 months, or if I fail to carry out the work of research properly or if it is not completed.
- I am not in receipt of any other financial assistance/salary from any other source for the topic cited above.
- If selected, I will work on a whole-time basis for the Fellowship, submit 6 monthly progress reports and will not accept any other fellow ship or financial assistance or employment.
- Should I decide to discontinue the fellowship without completing the Research work I shall refund the entire amount (fellowship plus contingency grant) received for the purpose.

Date:

Signature

Place :

**Enclosure's Check List:** (Please mark /tick to given below checklist)

1. *Ph.D. Award Letter / Certificate*
2. *Date of Birth Certificate*
3. *Category Certificate*
4. *Bio-Data*
5. *Supervisor Recommendation Letter*
6. *University/Institution Affiliation Letter*
7. *Research Proposal/Synopsis for PDF (in five copies) as per notification*
8. *Copy of Ph.D. thesis/dissertation*

Note:

- The scholar must send an electronic version of his/her research proposal in MS Word and PDF format along with his/her application, on [dd.pdf@ichr.ac.in](mailto:dd.pdf@ichr.ac.in) before **15.10.2025**.