

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

**SENIOR ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIP (SAF), 2025-2026**

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

Dated: 08.09.2025

Applications are invited from eligible candidates in the prescribed form, which has to reach to the undersigned through email and registered postal service on or before **15.10.2025** for the award of Senior Academic Fellowships (SAF). 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 year 2025-2026 are 10 (Ten), 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 (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:

- i. 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).
- ii. 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 **15.10.2025**.

### 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: 15.10.2025**

**Member Secretary**

## Application form for ICHR Senior Academic Fellowship (SAF), 2025-2026

Address your application to

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

Space for passport  
size photograph

Paste a self-attested passport size photograph and attach another.

1. Name (as per SSC Certificate)

2. Gender ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Third Gender

3. Date of Birth – [DD/MM/YYYY]  
(as recorded in SSC or equivalent Certificate)

4. Name of Mother

5. Name of Father

6. Nationality

7. Address for Communication (House No)

Street/ Locality

City

State

District

Pincode

8. Permanent Address (H.No.)

Street/ Locality

City

State

District

Pincode

9. Zone : North ☐ South ☐ East ☐ West ☐ North East ☐

10. Rural ☐ Urban ☐

Class of City: X ☐ Y ☐ Z ☐

11. Email ID:

12. Contact No: Landline

Mobile

13. Category: UR ☐ SC ☐ ST ☐

PWD: (i) Visually impaired ☐ (ii) Orthopedically Challenged ☐ (iii) Cerebral Palsy ☐

(Please attach self- attested copy of the Category/Caste/ Tribe certificates from appropriate authority)

### **ACADEMIC DETAILS**

1. Subject of Doctoral work, date of award of degree, university

(i) Subject

(ii) Title

(iii) Department

(iv) Supervisor's name & designation

(v) Date of awarded Ph. D. degree

2. Other Research/ Teaching experience, if any

3. Number of book(s) published and their titled:

4. Number of Research Papers Published, titles of books, papers published

[in case the space provided is inadequate, please attach separate sheet(s)] [Enclose copies]

5. Language skills (reading, writing, speaking)

6. Topic of Research :

7. Period of Research topic: Ancient/Medieval/Modern

8. Format for submitting research proposal

- (i) Concept Note
- (ii) Note on sources
- (iii) Methodology
- (iv) Extant research on the theme proposed
- (v) A bibliographical note
- (vi) How does this project aim to make a contribution to history
- (vii) Time frame for the research in months:

Months	Work to be completed	Outcome*
0 – 6 months		
6 – 12 months		
12 – 18 months		
18 – 24 months		

\*This includes Conferences/Research papers in journals/ monographs

**FINANCIAL DETAILS**

9. Present emoluments per month. (if the scholar is retired, state the last salary drawn)

Basic salary:

Allowances:

10. (i) Scholarships/ fellowships previously received, if any, from ICHR or any other organization.

(if yes, please give the details and attach Completion Certificate\*)

Source of Scholarship/ Fellowship	Value	Period from-to	Whether the work for which fellowship/ scholarship was awarded has been completed.

(ii) Whether the applicant has/ had applied for financial support elsewhere for the same research proposal.  
If so, specify the agency approached.

(iii) Fellowship/grant previously received/receiving from ICHR or any other organizations. Yes/No  
(If yes, please give the details and attached certificate/letter)

### **Declaration**

I hereby declare that:

1. The entries made in the form above and the additional particulars furnished by me are true to the best of my knowledge
2. I have read the Revised Research Funding Rules, regarding the award of research fellowships of the Indian Council of Historical Research and I agree to abide by them, if the fellowship is awarded to me. I shall refund to the ICHR the funds made available to me, if I fail to carry out the work of research properly, or if it is not completed.
3. I am not in receipt of any other financial assistance/salary from any other source for the topic cited above.
4. If selected, I will work on a whole time basis for the Fellowship/Research Project and will not accept any other Fellowship/Research Project, financial assistance or employment except in accordance with the ICHR's Research Funding Rules.
5. If 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.

Place:

Date:

Signature of the Candidate

**Checklist of enclosures needed**

**Mark as  
(✓ / ✕)**

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| 1. Copies of certificates of educational qualifications         | <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Copies of language qualification certificates, if applicable | <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Copy of SC/ST/disability certificate, if applicable          | <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Copy of Ph.D. dissertation                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Copy of Bio Data: 2 copies                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Copies of published book(s) and articles in reputed journals | <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Detailed Proposal: 3 copies                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Note:**

- i. The scholar must send an electronic version of his/her research proposal in MS Word and PDF format along with his/her application on **ichr.saf@gmail.com** by **15.10.2025.**
- ii. The applicant is advised to include the following in his/her research proposal :
  - a) A brief description of existing research works on your topic;
  - b) The applicant is expected to provide a note explaining the significance of his/her work and its contribution to existing historical knowledge.