CSIR'S JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP (JRF) – GATE SCHEME

INTRODUCTION

To promote academic excellence in CSIR labs and to generate high level science, CSIR's JRF-GATE Scheme was introduced in 2002 for GATE qualified **engineering** and **pharmaceutical** graduates to pursue research through a suitable Ph.D programme. These fellowships are tenable only at CSIR laboratories and JRFs selected under this scheme will have excellent opportunity to work with CSIR Scientists with state-of-art R&D facilities.

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE

BE/B. Tech degree holders in engineering discipline with valid GATE score

OR

Candidates with B. Pharm degree and having qualified GPAT

OR

Candidates with B.Tech in Biotechnology with valid GATE score and subject to securing a minimum 85.00 percentile in GATE.

Candidates selected for the award of JRF-GATE will be eligible for fellowship subject to getting registered/enrolled for PhD/Integrated PhD program.

WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE

Candidates with ME/M. Tech degree;

All those eligible for direct CSIR SRF are not eligible to apply for JRF-GATE.

AGE LIMIT

The upper age limit for JRF shall be 28 years which is relaxable upto 5 years in case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, OBC, women and physically handicapped applicants.

STIPEND & TENURE

The fellowship amount is Rs 16000/-per month plus HRA. In addition, contingency grant of Rs.20,000/- per annum (calculated on pro rata basis for fraction of a year) is also provided.

Further on completion of two years as JRF-GATE, the fellowship may be upgraded to SRF-GATE and stipend may be increased to Rs. 18000/- per month in the subsequent years on the basis of assessment as per CSIR JRF-NET guidelines.

The total duration of fellowship is five years within which the candidate is expected to complete the PhD degree.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Each CSIR laboratory can have a maximum of two (2) research scholars each year subject to the ceiling limit of 10 research fellows at any given time under the CSIR JRF-GATE scheme.

No candidate should be offered fellowship under JRF-GATE scheme without seeking prior approval from HRDG (CSIR).

Selection of JRF-GATE will be done by CSIR laboratories by following selection procedure guidelines of advertising and interview by Committee duly constituted by the Director. The recommendations duly approved by Director are to be forwarded to Head, HRDG, along with all necessary supporting documents. A formal award letter will then be issued by CSIR-HRDG after scrutinizing and verifying the relevant documents.

IMPORTANT POINTS TO BE NOTED

JRF-GATE are not to be deployed in any sponsored project.

JRF-GATE will be governed by terms and conditions of CSIR JRF-NET.