

## **Prime Minister's Fellowship for Doctoral Research**

This scheme encourages PhD scholars to work closely with Industry. The research scholar defines his research agenda/ topic in direct consultation with the sponsoring Industry. As a result, outcome of the research work is directly relevant to the Industry.

It helps the Industry in several ways:

- Find the most appropriate Ph D scholar for your R&D project
- Get dedicated resource
- Avail mentoring & guidance support from the attached University/Guide
- New IPR generation
- Contribute towards making academia industrially sound and encourage mutual cooperation
- Increase R&D knowledge for competitiveness
- One-to-one support from FICCI

The research scholar gets a fellowship of Rs.70000 (approx.) per month for upto 4 years. The fellowship amount is shared equally between SERB and sponsoring Industry.

The fellowship currently provides the highest amount, as compared to other available fellowships, to a research scholar.

## **Industry Relevant R&D Scheme (IRRD)**

This scheme encourages academic institutions and research labs to work on problems and issues faced by the sponsoring industry.

The industry can use this scheme to develop new products, resolve industry specific problems or get relevant research work done by collaborating academic partner. Few of the benefits of this scheme are:

- Develop Innovative technology product/process/solutions
- Solve your research challenges with university expertise
- Expand the relevance of research carried out in public institutions
- Develop solutions to problems faced by industry
- Utilise the broad-based knowledge potential of the academia
- Get efficient, trained manpower
- Avail funding from SERB (3years)
- New IPR generation
- One-to-one support from FICCI

The total project cost is shared equally between SERB and sponsoring Industry.



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## Sample Undertaking from Host Institute / University

### Undertaking from the Research Supervisor and Head of the Organization of the Institute / University

It is certified that all the above information given by the applicant \_\_\_\_\_ son / daughter of \_\_\_\_\_ is correct and that he/she is enrolled in full-time PhD program since \_\_\_\_\_.

We hereby convey our No-Objection towards his / her work under the Prime Minister's Fellowship Scheme for Doctoral Research.

We also convey our No-Objection towards the use of intellectual property rights arising out of the research, by the grant-giving company on mutually agreed terms.

Signature of Research Supervisor

Place

Date

Signature of Director/ Registrar/ Vice-Chancellor of the Institute or University

Place

Date



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## Sample Undertaking from the Industry Partner

### Undertaking from the Industry Partner in the Research Project

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ (registered name of the company) is interested in partnering with \_\_\_\_\_ (name of the PhD Fellow) who is enrolled with \_\_\_\_\_ (name of the institution) for doing research on the topic \_\_\_\_\_ (broad topic mutually identified by the candidate and industry).

The company agrees to provide a matching equivalent of SERB grant (about Rs 4 lakh per annum for this candidate for a maximum period of four years, subject to yearly evaluation) to the candidate. The designated Industry Mentor for this project from this company will be \_\_\_\_\_ (name of the Industry mentor). The Intellectual Property rights arising from this research will be on mutually agreed terms among the parties. The candidate will be allowed to attend classes and pursue academic part of the curriculum as required by the norms of the institute. He / she will be given access to the resources as deemed fit by the industry, as required for the research work. The company reserves the right to sign IPR agreement along with a non-disclosure agreement with the candidate, research guide/mentor and institute.

Signature of Industry Mentor / Authorized Signatory

Place

Date

Signature of Assigned Industry Mentor

Place

Date