

**LIST OF CANDIDATES PROVISIONALLY RECOMMENDED TO RECEIVE
PRIME MINISTER'S FELLOWSHIP FOR DOCTORAL RESEARCH**

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Following candidates have been provisionally recommended to receive the Prime Minister's Fellowship for Doctoral Research, as per the meeting of the Apex Council held on 28th September and 5th October 2021. Their final selection will be subject to fulfillment of the Terms and Conditions appended below.

S.No	Candidate Name	Name of Partner Company	Comments
1.	Mr Aditya Abhijit Upasani <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru	Hindustan Unilever Limited	Recommended
2.	Mr Ankan Karmakar <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay	SoftTech Engineers Limited	Recommended
3.	Mr Dilipkumar Pregnapuram <i>Research Scholar at</i> National Institute of Technology, Warangal	Manideep Techno Coats	Recommended
4.	Ms Divya Singh <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Technology, Patna	Immergro Technologies Pvt. Ltd. (Digiledge)	Recommended
5.	Mr Guguloth Venkanna <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi	Tata Steel Limited	Recommended
6.	Mr Nikhil Kishor Gor <i>Research Scholar at</i> Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai	Reliance Industries Limited	Recommended
7.	Mr Nipun Shashank Kothare <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay	Tata Motors Ltd.	Recommended
8.	Mr Prasang Harji Rank <i>Research Scholar at</i> College of Agricultural Engineering and Technology, Junagadh Agricultural University	Solar Agrotech Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended

9.	Ms Shruti Sinha <i>Research Scholar at</i> Department of Technology, Savitribai Phule Pune University	Praj Industries	Recommended
10.	Mr Siddharth Shukla <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi	Elofic Industries Limited	Recommended
11.	Ms Sravanti Addepalli <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru	Google India Private Limited	Recommended
12.	Mr Sriram Rajendra Rajendran <i>Research Scholar at</i> CSIR - National Chemical Laboratory	Alps Chemicals Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
13.	Mr Vihari Piratla <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay	Google India Private Limited	Recommended
14.	Ms Vishakha Patil <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru	Google India Private Limited	Recommended
15.	Mr Vishal Dattatray Khomane <i>Research Scholar at</i> Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai	Reliance Industries Limited	Recommended
16.	Mr Yaman Kumar <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Delhi	Google India Private Limited	Recommended
17.	Mr Prasanth P P <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Technology Madras	Sterlite Technologies Ltd.	Recommended
18.	Ms Prashasti <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology, Delhi	ST Microelectronics	Recommended

19.	Mr Avinash Bhavarlal Barchha <i>Research Scholar at</i> Bombay College of Pharmacy, University of Mumbai	Bliss GVS Pharma Limited	Recommended
20.	Ms Dimple Vasant Gor <i>Research Scholar at</i> B. A. College of Agriculture, Anand Agricultural University	VNR Seeds Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
21.	Ms Hiralben Lavjibhai Lakhani <i>Research Scholar at</i> Department of Biotechnology, Panjab University	Solar Agrotech Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
22.	Mr Karan Divyesh Joshi <i>Research Scholar at</i> The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda	Megafine Pharma (P) Ltd.	Recommended
23.	Mr Keerthiraj B <i>Research Scholar at</i> University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga	Monsanto Holdings Private Limited	Recommended
24.	Ms Khyati Rasikbhai Savani <i>Research Scholar at</i> College of Agriculture, Junagadh Agricultural University	Solar Agrotech Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
25.	Ms Medha Karnik S R <i>Research Scholar at</i> JSS Medical College, JSS AHER, Mysuru	Novick Bio Sciences Private Limited	Recommended
26.	Ms Oshin Bhargav <i>Research Scholar at</i> Punjab Agricultural University Ludhiana	FMC Corporation	Recommended
27.	Ms Pankti Ashwin Ganatra <i>Research Scholar at</i> Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai	Avay Biosciences Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
28.	Mr Pradeep D <i>Research Scholar at</i> Tamil Nadu Agricultural University	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd.	Recommended

29.	Ms Pydi Roshni <i>Research Scholar at</i> ICAR-Indian Institute of Horticultural Research	VNR Seeds Private Limited	Recommended
30.	Ms Ramandeep Kaur <i>Research Scholar at</i> Punjab Agricultural University	Shakti Vardhak Hybrid Seeds Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
31.	Mr Randeep Kumar <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Agricultural Research Institute	UPL Ltd.	Recommended
32.	Mr Sandipan Sarkar <i>Research Scholar at</i> Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya	Tata Steel Ltd.	Recommended
33.	Ms Sarika Anand Jadhav <i>Research Scholar at</i> Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai	Sahajanand Medical Technologies Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
34.	Ms Shanmugapriya S <i>Research Scholar at</i> Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore	Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Ltd. (IFFCO)	Recommended
35.	Mr Thesiya Mayur Rajeshbhai <i>Research Scholar at</i> Punjab Agricultural University	Solar Agrotech Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
36.	Mr Yathish VC <i>Research Scholar at</i> ICAR-Indian Institute of Horticultural Research	Nunhems India Private Limited	Recommended
37.	Mr T M Tejas <i>Research Scholar at</i> Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Thiruvananthapuram (IISER- TVM)	Rallis India Limited	Recommended
38.	Ms Nikitra Gupta <i>Research Scholar at</i> CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory	Planet Technologies	Recommended

Terms and Conditions

Eligibility

1. Candidates should have taken admission in full-time PhD course, for not more than 14 months from the date of application on the SERB-CII PM Fellowship portal, in Science / Technology / Engineering / Agriculture / Medicine stream in any recognized Indian university or institute or research laboratory in India.
2. They should also have identified an industry partner who is willing to support their research with scholarship amount equivalent to that being provided by SERB.
3. The proposed research topic should qualify on criteria of industrial relevance.
4. The candidate should be willing to work in / with industry on specific projects.
5. The selected Fellow will cease to receive any other scholarship or salary from any source which he / she may be receiving before the award of the Prime Minister's Fellowship.

Intellectual Property Rights

6. All issues pertaining to IP arising out of the research project will be decided mutually by the industry partner, institute and the researcher. They will be required to sign an agreement on plain paper listing out the timelines for the researcher and the sharing of intellectual property.
7. All publications / patents by the Fellow, arising from the work under this Fellowship must contain an acknowledgement of funding from SERB, Industry and CII.

Review Process

8. The Fellow will be required to submit a written progress report to the Apex Council every academic year.
9. Based on this, there will be an annual review of the progress made.
10. Subsequent release of funds will be based on the satisfactory progress of the work done and letters of recommendation from research guide and industry mentor / guide.

Transfer to other Institute

11. Once accepted, the offer for implementing the Prime Minister's Fellowship at a particular university / institute / laboratory in the country will not be allowed to be transferred to any other university / institute / laboratory.

General Terms

12. The Prime Minister's Fellowship shall be tenable for a maximum period of four years or completion of the PhD programmes (i.e. till the final defence of the PhD thesis), whichever is earlier.

13. It will be the responsibility of the Fellow's guide and the host institute to ensure that if the Fellow leaves his / her institution, or is not dedicating sufficient time or effort to the project, the industry partner, industry mentor and CII will be informed immediately.
14. If the host institute recognizes that for personal, professional or other reasons the researcher wishes to terminate his / her Fellowship prematurely, then this action should be taken in consultation with CII.
15. Should the Fellow be unable for medical reasons to pursue his / her studies in accordance with the Terms and Conditions of the Fellowship, he / she must inform CII within two weeks of such a situation coming to his / her attention. In such situations, CII will have the right to defer (for a maximum period of nine months) or close the Fellowship.
16. These Terms and Conditions will be governed by and construed in accordance with the Indian Penal Code and all parties will expressly and irrevocably submit to the word of the Apex Council in case of any dispute. If the dispute remains unresolved, then final arbitration will rest with Secretary, DST.
17. Good practices will be observed in relation to data management, protection and security.
18. It is the responsibility of the Fellow to inform CII of any change of address, telephone, or e-mail within two weeks of any such change.
19. SERB and CII reserve the right to revise the Terms and Conditions of this scheme at any time.
20. Neither SERB, nor CII or Apex Council or the Government of India can be held legally liable for breach of trust by candidates, host institute or industry partner.

Finance / Payment of Fellowship

21. Payment of fellowship is subject to the compliance of the host institute with these terms and conditions and to the receipt by CII of satisfactory reports on the progress of the Fellowship. The Fellowship will be paid to the candidate directly every month by CII.
22. The scholarship payment will commence only when complete payment for full-year has been made by the partner company
23. The Fellow will be required to submit Progress Report every year duly authenticated by the concerned guide and industry mentor.