

**GUIDELINES FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FELLOWSHIP (LGSDF) FOR ENGINEERING, MANAGEMENT AND OTHER GRADUATES OF UT OF J&K.**

**1. INTRODUCTION:**

The Lieutenant Governor's Sustainable Development Fellowship (LGSDF) for Engineering, Management and other Graduates of UT of Jammu and Kashmir shall be funded by J&K Government and shall be implemented in collaboration with IIT, Jammu. The programme aims to provide a unique and exciting opportunity for young professionals from Premier Institutes of UT of J&K to work towards promoting outreach, transparency, efficiency and improving delivery of various Government Programmes. The Programme will provide a fulfilling experience to the scholars while also providing valuable insights to policy makers and implementing agencies regarding gaps in policy and implementation. The Programme will include extensive work by the scholars in field followed by use of analytical tools/brainstorming to come up with solutions under the guidance of IIT Jammu task force.

**2. OBJECTIVE:**

The objective of the programme is to provide an institutional platform for research related to enhancing delivery of Government Programmes for the graduates from Premier Institutes like IIT Jammu, IIM Jammu, NIT Srinagar and other institutes who wish to pursue a career in development sector and have an attitude of "giving back" to the society.

**3. TARGET GROUP:**

Every year 10 scholars/graduates from IT Jammu, IIM Jammu, NIT Srinagar and other National Institutes shall be selected, who have upto 3 years of work experience for fellowship for a period of 2 years extendable by 3 years (total upto 5 years).

**4. ELIGIBILITY:**

The candidates have to fulfill the following conditions to be eligible for award of this fellowship:

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- (i) Graduates from IIT Jammu, IIM Jammu, NIT Srinagar and other National Institutes, who have at least 2 years of work experience and have qualified GATE, MAT, NET examinations.
- (ii) In case sufficient number of applications are not received or otherwise, the Selection Committee can award fellowships on the recommendations of IIT and IIM Jammu also.

**5. NATURE OF ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE UNDER THE SCHEME:**

The tenure of fellowship is initially for 2 years extendable by 3 years (total upto 5 years) based on achievement of KRA with each working on "defined-projects" with specific outcomes. Before expiry of this period, the work of the Fellow will be evaluated by a Committee of three member Task Force comprising of Chief Secretary, Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor and Director, IIT Jammu.

The fellowship may be withdrawn if the work is not considered satisfactory.

**6. DISTRIBUTION OF FELLOWSHIP:**

- (i) The total number of fellowship each year will be 10.
- (ii) In case the numbers of candidates exceed the number of available slots, IIT Jammu will select the candidates for the fellowship based on the percentage of marks obtained by them in GATE, MAT, NET examinations and recommendations of the committee.
- (iii) Three member committee (Task Force) consisting of Chief Secretary, Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor and Director, IT Jammu shall identify specific departmental projects and delivery targets for each specified area for the scholars under the scheme.

**7. AMOUNT OF FELLOWSHIP:**

The rate of fellowship shall be Rs. 60,000/- per month. The field travel and other incidentals will be reimbursed as per the adopted policy.

**8. PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR THE SCHEME:**

The applications shall be invited through online mode once a year through advertisement in Leading Newspapers and Employment News from the candidates fulfilling the eligibility conditions under the scheme. Candidates have to apply strictly as per the instructions given in online application portal.

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**9. SELECTION PROCEDURE:**

The applications received will be scrutinized by a Selection Committee including representatives from IT Jammu and Hon'ble LG's office. The decision of the committee will be final. The institute (IIT Jammu) will have the right to withdraw/cancel the award without assigning any reason. Result shall be published on institute website. Award letters can be downloaded from the institute online application portal. The effective date of release of fellowship shall be 1st April of the selection year or the actual date of joining the fellowship whichever is later.

**10. JOINING OF FELLOWSHIP:**

The candidate should join the fellowship within 3 months from the date of issue of Award letter, failing which the award will be treated as cancelled.

**11. PROCEDURE FOR MONITORING THE PROGRESS OF THE SCHEME:**

If the Fellow is availing any other fellowship/project from any other organization at the time of selection, he/she shall be required to surrender one award. The scheme shall be monitored by the three member committee consisting of Chief Secretary, Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor and Director IT Jammu. The deliverables and accountability of the projects shall be clearly defined and evolved.

**12. CANCELLATION OF FELLOWSHIP:**

The fellowship is liable to cancellation, in case of:

- a) Misconduct.
- b) Unsatisfactory progress of work.
- c) Candidate is later found ineligible.
- d) Candidate is already availing scholarship/fellowship from any other sources.
- e) Any false information furnished by the applicant.

**13. FUNDING:**

Funds for implementation of the scheme shall be provided by the Government of Jammu and Kashmir through Higher Education Department.

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