Notification for Post-Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) at IIITDM Kurnool Under Visvesvaraya Ph.D. Scheme for Electronics and IT (Phase-II)

Indian Institute of Information Technology Design and Manufacturing Kurnool

(An Institute of National Importance under the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

Kurnool – 518008, Andhra Pradesh, India



1. ABOUT IIITDM KURNOOL:

Indian Institute of Information Technology Design and Manufacturing (IIITDM) Kurnool is an Institute of National Importance under the Ministry of Education, Government of India. It is established in 2015 and aimed to become a Centre of Excellence for pursuing Design and Manufacturing oriented Engineering Education and Research domains.

Currently, the Institute is offering four (4) B. Tech. programs in Computer Science and Engineering (CSE), Artificial Intelligence and Data Science (AI&DS), Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE), and Mechanical Engineering (ME) and Eight (8) M. Tech. programs in Departments of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE), Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE), and Mechanical Engineering (ME). **Ph.D. programs in Science and Engineering departments are being offered, in frontier research areas under the guidance of experienced faculty.**

2. ELIGIBILITY AND OTHER DETAILS:

1. The PDF applicant must have obtained a PhD degree from a recognized University with first class (in terms of grades, etc.) in all preceding levels and a good academic record throughout.
2. The PDF applicant should have completed a PhD within the past 5 years on the last date of submission of the application, i.e., **18.10.2026**.
3. PDF applicants should not have completed their PhD at the same institution (host institution) where the PDF fellowship is to be awarded.
4. The upper age limit for the fellowship is 40 years on the last date of submission of the application to the participating institution (host institution).
5. The PDF applicant must have a proven academic record, including peer-reviewed publications and recognitions.
6. The PDF applicant should submit a research proposal (as per the given format –Annexure I) to the host institution, and should define clear objectives, outcomes and deliverables against the award.
7. Preference would be given to the PDF applicants who have active industry linkages and their research proposal is directed towards industry-specific problems.
8. The PDF applicant should be an Indian citizen.
9. PDF applicants currently in regular employment will not be considered. However, scientists or researchers with temporary positions in academia or research institutions would be considered, but they would be required to relinquish their current roles if selected for the fellowship.
10. The fellowship is valid for 1 year.
11. It is a full-time, non-transferable, temporary position tenable in India only.
12. The Institute identifies a suitable Mentor/Guide, under whom the proposed research would be carried out.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF PDF AWARDEE:

2.1 In addition to the research work, the PDF awardees need to participate in activities under the Visvesvaraya PhD Scheme as assigned by the Mentor/Department/Institute/PhD Cell-DIC-MeitY, such as

- Evaluation of research work of PhD Candidates
- Mentoring of PhD candidates

- Participation in collaborative research under the Visvesvaraya Ph.D. scheme
- Participation in workshops and events
- Any other assignments by the Mentor/Department/Institute/ Ph.D. Cell-DIC-MeitY

2.2 Provide research proposals, including specific timelines, deliverables, etc. and monthly progress reports.

2.3 Report significant achievements during the tenure

2.4 Promptly follow the directions of Mentor/Department/Institute/ Ph.D. Cell-DIC-MeitY.

2.5 Acknowledge the scheme at all significant forums, including publications/achievements/recognitions, etc., using the following template:

"This publication/achievement/recognition is an outcome of the R&D work undertaken during the tenure of PDF award under the Visvesvaraya PhD Scheme, being implemented by PhD Cell, Digital India Corporation, MeitY."

2.6 Inform the PhD Cell at least one month in advance of any long-term leave (e.g., study leave, sabbatical, etc.).

2.7 Must not receive any other fellowship during the award period.

2.8 If any awardee wishes to discontinue the fellowship, the institution should inform PhD Cell-DIC-MeitY immediately. One month's notice is to be given by the institution before the date of discontinuation.

4. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

3.1 Fellowship: ₹1,08,393/month

3.2 Contingency Grant: ₹1,00,000/year (disbursed on a pro-rata basis, e.g. ₹25,000/quarter)

3.3 Contingency Grant usage is restricted to:

- Minor equipment
- Consumables
- Research-related items

3.4 No provision for hiring research staff.

3.5 The institution will provide administrative/infrastructural support as per the institute rules.

5. APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

Interested and eligible candidates shall submit their application through the Google Form link available on the Institute website (**www.iiitk.ac.in**). The Google Form link is provided on **Page 05** of the brochure. PDF applicants are required to submit the NOC (as per ***Annexure-II***) in support of application. In case, NOC is not enclosed at the time of online submission, a duly-signed self-declaration form should be uploaded by the candidate stating that NOC will be submitted at the time of interview.

Application Fee:

Candidates need to pay application fee.

Gen/OBC/EWS candidates:
Rs.500/- SC/ST/PwD candidates:
Rs.250/-

Bank Account Details: Account Name: IIIT DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING
Account Number: 37806955974
IFSC Code: SBIN0064655
Branch: IIITDM KURNOOL CAMPUS.

Payment QR Code:

Account Name: IIIT DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING
Account Number: 37806955974
IFSC Code: SBIN0064655
Branch: IIITDM KURNOOL CAMPUS.



Note: It is instructed to keep one copy of payment proof for future reference.

Shortlisted candidates qualified for the Written test/Interview need to submit the following self-attested documents.

6. Performance Review and Monitoring

Performance of the PDF awardee will be periodically reviewed by the Institute and the PhD Cell-DIC-MeitY via:

4.1 Reports
4.2 Experts visits
4.3 Workshops and interactions
4.4 Any other method as deemed appropriate by the PhD Cell-DIC-MeitY.

7. Discontinuation and Termination

5.1 If PDF wishes to discontinue the fellowship, the institution should be informed at least, one month before the planned date of discontinuation.

5.2 In case the post-doctoral fellow undertakes any full/part-time assignment, his/her PDF award under the scheme would be discontinued.

5.3 The host, institute and Ph.D. Cell-DIC-MeitY reserves the right to hold/ stop/ discontinue the fellowship at any stage, if

- Appropriate progress is not being made.
- The grant is not being utilized properly.
- Reports/responses/details etc. are not submitted timely and in the prescribed format or directions of PhD Cell are not followed.
- Violation/ Non-compliance of guidelines.
- Any other reason, which is deemed appropriate by PhD Cell-DIC-MeitY.

5.4 In cases of dropouts or termination of PDF awards:

- The PDF awardee must not include further expenditure, beyond the last working day.

- Close the accounts with all required formalities including submission of Utilization Certificates (UCs), Statement of Accounts (SoA), completion report and other required documents.
- Return unspent balances, if any, to the Institute.

5.5 There is no provision to replace or transfer an awardee.

8. Fill out the Google Form using the link provided below.

Kindly fill out the Google Form using the link provided:

https://forms.gle/bGVRwXC92rqTpsat6

1. Document for Proof of date of birth: Class X mark sheet/ certificate issued by the school last attended/ Recognized educational board containing the date of birth of the applicant / Any other Government issued document containing date of birth of the applicant, name and Parent's name such as Passport/ Aadhaar Card/ Driving License/ Voter ID Card/ PAN Card/ Birth Certificate issued by Municipal Corporation/authority empowered to register the birth.
2. Photo ID proof as per Govt. of India norms.
3. Mark sheets of Class X
4. Mark sheets of Class XII
5. UG Mark sheets and Original Degree Certificate
6. PG Mark sheets and Original Degree Certificate
7. Ph.D. Degree Certificate
8. Original Migration certificate of the Institute
9. Original Conduct Certificate from the Institute
10. Original Transfer certificate from the Institute
11. Research Proposal (As per the Annexure-I, see next page)
12. CV/Bio-Data
13. Copies of the three best Publications.
14. Recommendation Letter from the PhD supervisor
15. GATE/CSIR-UGC NET qualified certificate (If any)

Note: Eligible candidates will be called for an interview and shortlisting will be based on performance in the interview and the Recommendation of the selection committee.

For Any queries, the applicants can send an email to: fic_pgr@iiitk.ac.in or **Call to: 08518-289-121/111.**

Important Dates:

Web notification of the Ph.D. Advertisement	07-10-2026
Online application registration process start date	07-10-2026
Last date for the submission of online Application form	18-10-2026
Notification of shortlisted candidates for Interview	28-10-2026
Publication of Final Results	29-11-2026
Last date for seat acceptance and fee payment	05-12-2026
Reporting to the Institute	14-12-2026

"Tentative Schedule for Interview on *13th November 2026*"

For any queries regarding Ph.D. admissions, applicants may contact the admissions office by email at **phdadmissions@iiitk.ac.in.**

Convener/Coordinator – Ph.D. Admissions:

FIC (PG & R), Phone: 08518-289100 (Ext. 111)

Annexure-I

Research Proposal for PDF under Visvesvaraya Scheme

(Please don't change the format)

1. **Title: (max. 2 Lines)**

2. **Brief introduction and origin of the proposal (max. 600 Words):**

3. **Novelty: (max. 100 Words)**

4. **Objectives (5 in No. & 100 Words)**

5. **Methodology (in points, max. 200 Words)**

6. **References (max. 10 in No.)**

7. **Relevant publications of the applicant in the proposed area**

8. **Name, Designation, and Department of the proposed mentor at IIITDM Kurnool.**

(Note: The applicant's research area and proposal must align with the mentor's field of expertise)

*****

Annexure-II

NO OBJECTION CERTIFICATE

(for Post-Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) applicants only)

This is to certify that Dr. _____, Employee ID _____, is working as _____ in the Department of _____ at _____.

The Institute/Organization has no objection to Dr. _____ applying for and undertaking a Post-Doctoral Fellowship at Indian Institute of Information Technology Design and Manufacturing Kurnool (IIITDM Kurnool).

If selected for the fellowship, Dr. _____ will be permitted to join and pursue the **Post-Doctoral Fellowship** as per the terms and conditions of the fellowship and the rules and regulations of the parent Institute/Organization.

This certificate is issued upon the request of the employee for the purpose of applying for the **Post-Doctoral Fellowship.**

Date: _____

Place: _____

Signature of the Head of the Institution/Organization

Name: _____

Designation: _____

Department: _____

Official Seal/Stamp





