भारतीय सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी अभिकल्पना एवं विनिर्माण संस्थान कर्नूल INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DESIGN AND MANUFACTURING KURNOOL

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No. IIITDMK/2025-26/PDF Notification

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

IIITDM Kurnool is inviting applications for Post-Doctoral Fellowship positions (PDF) under Visvesvaraya Ph.D. Scheme. (Electronics and IT-enabled services)

1. 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., 31.08.2025.
- **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.

2. 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

Date: 14.08.2025

- **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.

3. 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.

4. 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.

5. 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.
- **5.6** There is no provision to replace or transfer an awardee.

6. Application Procedure:

Eligible candidates are encouraged to apply for PDF by sending the scanned copies of the documents mentioned below to prakash.madduri@iiitk.ac.in (Dr. P. V. Prakash Madduri, FIC (PG & Research) and Nodal Officer-Visvesvaraya PhD Scheme of MeitY, IIITDM Kurnool) by 31/08/2025, in a zipped file titled "Application for PDF Name of the Candidate".

- 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: prakash.madduri@iiitk.ac.in or Call to: 08518-289-121/122.

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)
