

LIST OF CANDIDATES RECOMMENDED TO RECEIVE PRIME MINISTER'S FELLOWSHIP FOR DOCTORAL RESEARCH
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The following candidates have been recommended to receive the Prime Minister's Fellowship for Doctoral Research, as per the 22nd meeting of the Apex Council held on 22 November 2025. Their final selection will be subject to fulfillment of the Terms and Conditions appended below.

Life Science

SN	Name	Institute / University	Partner Company	Status
1	Tejal Chandrakant Patil	Poona College of Pharmacy, Pune	Cleanchem Laboratories LLP	Recommended
2	Uday Kumar B V	School of Agricultural Biotechnology, PAU	Star Agriseeds Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
3	Ravikumara M Y	JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru, Karnataka	Indo-American Hybrid Seeds (India) Pvt. Ltd.,	Recommended
4	Ramendlawar Nilesh Kumar	Sher-E-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology	Nano Ram Technologies	Recommended
5	Komal	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana	Savannah Seeds Pvt. Ltd	Recommended
6	Arti Gupta	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana	Neva Plantations Llp	Recommended
7	Gurpreet Kaur	College of Horticulture and Forestry, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana	Onkar Seeds Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
8	Sutej Singh Bains	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana	Rasi Seeds Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
9	Aachal Mahadevrao Futane	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana	Goldking Biogene Pvt Ltd	Recommended
10	Tarun Kumar Meena	Punjab Agriculture University, Ludhiana	IFSA Seeds Pvt Ltd	Recommended
11	Gaurav Augustine	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana	Prasad Seeds Private Limited	Recommended
12	Saumya Tripathi	BITS, Pilani, Goa	Questt	Recommended
13	Dilpreet Kaur Mangat	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana	Aquamasters	Recommended
14	Disha S K	College of Horticulture, Bengaluru	Capsber Global Agro Private Limited	Recommended

15	Lakshmi Gangal	College of Horticulture, Bagalkot, University of Horticultural Sciences	Elite Vintage Winery India Pvt. Ltd.	Recommended
16	Riyaben Alpeshkumar Patel	B. A. College of Agriculture, AAU, Anand.	Goldking Biogene Private Limited	Recommended
17	Divijkumar Rajeshbhai Vaghasiya	College of Agriculture, Junagadh Agricultural University	Solar Agrotech Private Limited	Recommended
18	Chinmay M Oshimath	College of Agriculture, GKVK, Bengaluru	Bionivid Technology Private Limited	Recommended
19	Varsha K	Indian Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi	Aquagri Processing Private Limited	Recommended
20	Hari Gopala Krishna Chanumolu	The Graduate School, Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa	Indogulf Crop Sciences Limited	Recommended
21	Arprita	Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar, Punjab	Bioplus Life Sciences Pvt. Ltd	Recommended

Engineering

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22	Ananya Payal	IIT, Tirupati	Britannia Industries Ltd	Recommended
23	Deepak Pandey	IIT, Kanpur	Veol Medical Technologies Pvt Ltd	Recommended
24	Dibyendu Dey	IIT Kharagpur	CEAT Ltd	Recommended
25	Harikrishnan K J	Indian Institute of Science (IISc)	Nunam Technologies India Pvt Ltd	Recommended
26	Prasanna Perumal	IIT, Tirupati	Labkart India Pvt Ltd.	Recommended
27	Rahul Kumar	Plaksha University	TCS	Recommended
28	Sanjibonny Buragohain	IIT, Bombay	TATA Autocomp Systems Limited	Recommended
29	Priyankaben Babubhai Shivde	Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai	Aether Industries Ltd	Recommended

Science

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30	Suman Das	IIT, Mandi	Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited	Recommended
31	Neelanjana Ghosh	Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines), Dhanbad	Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited	Recommended

32	Vidhi Singh	Sardar Patel University, Gujarat	A-Sky Instruments	Recommended
33	Sourabh Suman	ICAR- Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Pusa	Rallis India Limited	Recommended
34	Charvi Singhvi	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai	Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd.	Recommended
35	Srishti Gautam	Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Kolkata	Unilever Industries Private Limited	Recommended
36	Durga Jana	IIT, Kharagpur	Asian Paints Limited	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 ANRF-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 ANRF.
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 ANRF, 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.
11. The list has applications received till **12 November 2025**.

Transfer to other Institute

12. 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

13. 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.
14. 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.
15. 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.
16. 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.
17. 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.
18. Good practices will be observed in relation to data management, protection and security.
19. It is the responsibility of the Fellow to inform CII of any change of address, telephone, email or bank detail within two weeks of any such change.
20. ANRF and CII reserve the right to revise the Terms and Conditions of this scheme at any time.
21. Neither ANRF, 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

22. 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.
23. The scholarship payment will commence only when complete payment for full-year has been made by the partner company.
24. The Fellow will be required to submit Progress Report every year duly authenticated by the concerned guide and industry mentor.
