General Guidelines for

Anand Research Fellowship

1**. Introduction:**

> RAS invites applications for research fellows from Indian nationals who have a post graduate degree in any field and would like to work with RAS on our ongoing projects. Proposals may also be submitted for studies for action research that can be done on our ongoing programs. The Fellowship may also include independent research components that focus on issues that are beneficial for the host ministry even as it benefits the Fellow. Any other proposal relevant to us may also be considered.

2. **Eligibility:**

- Any Indian citizen who holds a postgraduate degree/diploma.

- The applicant must have a good understanding and experience of research work and must have the understanding of the subject of happiness and well-being.

3. **Duration and value:**

- The fellowship period will be for a maximum of 2 years which could be extended if found necessary.

- The applicant selected for the Anand Fellowship may be provided a support sum of uptoRs 5 lakh.

- The grant assistance would be made as a monthly stipend or on the completion of the proposed target/milestone, in accordance with the format of the research proposal.

- The modalities for disbursement of grants will be clearly laid down in the acceptance letter.

4. **Procedure for Application:**

- Applications will be invited only through Rajya Anand Sansthan website and should be received before the deadline mentioned in the advertisement.

- All eligibility documents along with detailed CV should be attached to online application.

CV should be prepared as per below Format:

Your Contact Information
Name
Address
Telephone
Cell Phone
Email

Optional Personal Information
Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Gender
Marital Status
Spouse's Name

Employment History
List in chronological order, include position details and dates
Work History
Academic Positions
Research and Training

Education
Include dates, majors, and details of degrees, training and certification
High School
Graduation
Post -Graduation
Doctoral Degree
Post Doctoral Training

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- **A detailed Research Proposal & Abstract (2000 and 300 words respectively) will have to be submitted online along with the application form. It should be either in English or Hindi.**
  * Detailed Research Proposal Guidelines

> ***RESEARCH PROPOSAL FORMAT**
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>   A. A concise abstract of the research proposal (about 500 words).
>   B. A detailed research proposal (3000 words).
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> An indicative outline for the detailed research proposal is given below:
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> 1. **Title:**
>   The research proposal should have a clear, meaningful and concise title reflecting the scope of the investigation.
> 2. **Introduction and / or Statement of the Problem**
>   The research proposal should begin by clearly stating the research problem to be investigated in the light of its theoretical and/or empirical context in the relevant area.
> 3. **Aims and/or Objectives of the Study**
>   The general aim of the study as well as well as its specific objectives should be clearly stated in the proposal.
> 4. **Conceptual Framework**
>   Given the problem and the theoretical perspective for investigation of the problem, the proposal should clearly bring out the concepts to be used and demonstrate their relevance for the study. Besides, the dimension of empirical reality that needs to be explored for investigating the problem should also be specified.
> 5. **Research Question or Hypotheses**
>   Given the conceptual framework and the specification of dimension, the specific questions to be answered through the proposed research should be sharply formulated. In the case of an explanatory research design, specification of variables and positing of relationship among them through specific hypotheses must form a part of the research proposal.
> 6. **Review of Literature**
>   The proposal should summarize the current status of research in the area and major findings, including the researcher's own work in the area. Existing empirical findings may also be discussed. The overview should clearly demonstrate the relevance as well as inadequacy of existing findings or approaches and provide a rationale for the proposed study.
> 7. **Scope and Methodology**
>   The researcher must describe in detail (a) the scope and coverage of her/his study; and (b) approach and methodology with adequate justification. Emphasis should be given to bringing out innovativeness in approaches proposed to be followed. The detailing of the methodology may include research design, data to be collected and empirical and analytical methods to be used. The description of the methodology must be clearly linked to the aims of the research and the research questions/hypotheses of the study.
> 8. **Relevance, Anticipated Outcomes and Proposed Outputs from the Research**
>   The proposal should include a statement on the relevance of the study and the anticipated outcomes. It should bring out the significance of the research problem, the contribution which the proposed study is expected to make to theory and to methodology as well as its practical importance to society and policy making. It should also describe the proposed outputs from the study (Books, research papers, occasional papers with themes etc.)
> 9. **Tentative Chapterisation**
>   Details chapterisation should be clearly spelt out in the research proposal

> 10. **Time Frame**
>   The research proposal should include a phased time frame for different components of the study.
> 11. **Estimated Budget**
>   The budget for the study should be formulated for the grant sought. It should be clearly linked to other elements of the proposal and must include a detailed justification of each item that is proposed.
> 12. **Bibliography:**
>   Bibliography should be prepared in Chicago Manual Style.

5. Procedure for award:
- Applications received for awarding/assigning Anand Fellowship will be scrutinized by a committee constituted by Rajya Anand Sansthan.
- The committee will examine whether the proposed activities/research idea will help develop and enhance the understanding of the subject of happiness or not.
- For this purpose, the person concerned will be interviewed and necessary amendments may be suggested and made in the proposal sent by him.
- Decision of the selection committee shall be final.
- A maximum of 5 fellowships will be awarded each year.

Note: Last Date of Registration is 31.07.2022

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General Guidelines for

<u>Anand Research Project</u>

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1. Introduction:
   - Though happiness is the prime need of all humans, addressing it would need studies linked with various other domains which directly or indirectly impact human well being. RAS is looking for significant research which will not just lead to exploring happiness indicators but also assist in impact assessment and enhancement of happiness and thereby assist us in framing effective policies. These studies are expected to be multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary in nature for developing a deeper understanding of various aspects of happiness and wellbeing. Applications are invited from Individual researchers /organizations to submit appropriate projects.

2. Eligibility:
   - Any Indian citizen not below the age of 30 years
   - Any university, college, educational/research institute and other organizations registered under relevant statute can apply for Anand Research Project

   For Individual Applicant

   - In case of Individual Applicant, he should have at least 10 yrs of work experience, with a good understanding of research and publications preferably on the subject of happiness and wellbeing.

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   - be a PhD degree holder with a proven track record. Experience of working with a national or international organization would be desirable.
   - Individual Applicants must be affiliated or attached to some recognized university, college, educational institution or research organization or any other organization.

   For Institutional Applicant

   - In case the applicant is an institution, it must have the infrastructure needed to implement the project and shall provide names and designation of persons responsible for undertaking the proposed study.
   - The Project Director/Team lead will have to be named and his experience and educational qualifications be submitted along with application.
   - It is expected that the project director should have the at least similar qualifications as specified for individual applicant above.

3. Duration and value:
   - Project duration will be a maximum of 3 years.
   - A maximum amount of Rs.10 lakhs as research grant may be provided to a research project.
   - The grant assistance will be provided on the completion of the specified milestones complying with the stated format of the research proposal.
   - Other modalities for disbursement of grants will be laid down in the acceptance letter.

4. Procedure for Application:
   - Applications will be invited only through RajyaAnandSansthan website and should be received before the deadline mentioned in the advertisement.

- All eligibility documents along with detailed CV of individual applicant and CV's of all team members in case of institutional applicant should be attached with online application.

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5. Procedure for award:
- The applications received for Anand Research Project will be scrutinized by a committee constituted by the RajyaAnandSansthan.
- The committee will scrutinize the application / proposal on the basis of whether the proposed research by the applicant will create an environment of happiness in the state and help to develop a better understanding about happiness and augment it further.
- A maximum of 5 projects will be approved and accepted in a year.
- Decision of the selection committee shall be final.
- Committee may reject any application without assigning any reason

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General Guidelines for
<u>Anand Doctoral Fellowship</u>

1. Introduction :
   - RAS is also inviting applications for funding of PhD research from researchers who have confirmed Ph.D. registration (Research Degree Committee (RDC) approved) at any of the recognized state or central university /institutions, on the last date of application. The research topic should be relevant to happiness and wellbeing to be considered for the fellowship.

2. Eligibility :
   - The candidates must have confirmed Ph.D. registration (Research Degree Committee (RDC) approved) at any of the recognized state or central university /institutions, on the last date of application.
   - Candidates who have already availed of any other scholarship for PhD need not apply.

3. Duration and value :
   - The duration of the fellowship is for 3 years.
   - The value of the fellowship is upto 3 lakh per annum.
   - The grant assistance would be made as a monthly stipend or on the completion of the proposed target/milestone, in accordance with the format of the research proposal.
   - The modalities for disbursement of grants will be clearly laid down in the acceptance letter.

4. Procedure for Application :
   - Applications will be invited only through RajyaAnandSansthan website and should be received before the deadline mentioned in the advertisement.
   - All eligibility documents along with detailed CV will have to be attached to online application.
     * CV guidelines
   - Detailed Synopsis as approved by the RDC of registered university and an Abstract of 500 words will have to be submitted along with the application form.

5. Procedure for award:
   - Applications received for awarding/assigning Anand Fellowship will be scrutinized by a committee constituted by RajyaAnandSansthan.
   - The committee will examine whether the proposed activities/research idea will help develop and enhance the understanding of the subject of happiness or not.
   - The person concerned may be interviewed.
   - Decision of the selection committee shall be final.
   - A maximum of 5 fellowships will be awarded each year.

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