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SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING RESEARCH BOARD (SERB)
(a Statutory body of the Department of Science & Technology, Government of India)

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Dated: 18th September 2017

OFFICE ORDER

Subject: - SERB Research Associates Scheme – regarding continuation of research after completion of Ramanujan Fellowship and INSPIRE faculty term.

SERB - BOARD has approved the proposal of award of National post-doc fellowship to INSPIRE faculty awardees and Ramanujan fellows to be facilitated, those who has not got permanent position or are yet to be absorbed as faculty/research position in a regular capacity, to continue their research after completion of the tenure of their respective fellowships, where these fellows shall be called as “SERB Research Associates” and the fellowship amount will be of Rs.60,000/- pm.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- (i) The scheme is open only to INSPIRE Faculty and Ramanujan Fellows.
- (ii) The applicant must be an INSPIRE Faculty or Ramanujan Fellow who are at the end of the tenure of the respective fellowship scheme, and are yet to be absorbed as faculty/research position in a regular capacity. The applicant must submit his/her application, not before six months from the date of completion of the tenure of INSPIRE Faculty/Ramanujan Fellowship scheme.
- (iii) The upper age limit is 40 years at the time of the submission of application.

3. DURATION & NATURE OF SUPPORT

- (i) The SERB – Research Associateship can be implemented in academic Institutions, research establishments including those of CSIR/DST/DBT/ICMR/IARI and recognized R&D institutions. The host institution should provide necessary administrative and infrastructural support.
- (ii) The SERB Research Associateship is tenable initially for a period of 2 years. It is extendable for one more year, subject to satisfactory performance. The associateship is not a regular appointment, but provides an opportunity to explore for a regular academic/research position during the intervening period. There is no provision for extension beyond three years in any case.

- (iii) Those selected as SERB Research Associate will be entitled to receive grants under the following budget heads.

Sl. No.	Budget Head	Amount
1.	Fellowship	Rs. 60,000/- per month (consolidated)
2.	Consumables, Contingency & Travel	Rs. 2,00,000/- per annum
3.	Overheads	Rs. 1,00,000/- per annum

- (iv) The associateship is a one-time award and the associates are not eligible to receive both fellowship & salary from any Government or Non-Governmental source during the tenure of the SERB Research Associateship.
- (v) Mode of application will be online at www.serbonline.in and selection based on the recommendations of the expert committee, of relevant areas of NPDP scheme of SERB and will be implemented by respective NPDP programme officers.
4. The other norms and guidelines will remain the same as per the OM No SB/S9/Z-13/2015, dated 16.12.2016 as specified for N-PDF scheme.
5. This issues with the approval of Secretary, SERB vide his Diary No. 152, dated 29.08.2017.


(Pravakar Mohanty)
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