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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: National Postdoctoral Fellowship (NPDF) of Science and Engineering Research Board – Extension of Fellowship of 2018 Batch NPDFs due to COVID 19 Impact

Attention is invited to the Office Memorandum (O.M.) of even no. dated 3 July 2020 issued by the Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) on extension of Fellowship due to lockdown. The matter has been further considered and taking note of the impact of COVID-19 on the planned research work of National Postdoctoral Fellows (NPDFs), SERB has approved extension of the tenure of the Fellowship of 2018 Batch for a period up-to six months with fellowship. The extension will allow the NPDFs to complete the work as originally planned and suffered due to lockdown.

2. The extension is applicable to NPDFs who were selected through the call for applications made in the year 2018 (2018 Batch of NPDFs) in all disciplines. The Fellows who fall in the above-mentioned category and desire to seek extension should provide the details of research work which specifically got affected due to lockdown. The extension request along with recommendations of the mentor should be endorsed by the host institution. Fellowship at the existing rate will be given to the fellows but no additional research grant or overhead charges will be provided during the extended period.

3. This issues with the approval of SERB Board which met on 24 March 2021 and further by Chairman, SERB vide e-note dated 08.04.2021.



(Handwritten Signature)

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