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Subject: INSPIRE Fellowship Selection-2020: Provisional Offer for consideration of application at Level II of the evaluation process. [DST/INSPIRE/03/2021/001647]

Dear ATHULYA TS,

The Government of India has launched a unique Scheme "Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspired Research (INSPIRE)" with several components. One of the components:INSPIREFellowship provides fellowship in Basic and Applied Sciences.

This is with reference to your application for INSPIRE Fellowship submitted against the "Call for Applications" for award of INSPIRE Fellowship-2020. I am pleased to inform you that your application has been provisionally short-listed for evaluation at Level II of the selection process. This Provisional Offer will be valid for one year from the date of issue of this letter. The final selection for the Fellowship will be subject to 1) your gaining admission into a doctoral (Ph.D.) programme in the any recognized University/ Institute of the country within one year from the date of issue of this offer, 2) on the result of Level II evaluation of your application by domain experts which will be based on (a) academic merit, (b) research profiles of the host Department and Institution and the Research Supervisor and (c) quality of the detailed Research Proposal. For selection, an applicant has to secure a minimum of 60 out of 100 marks. Hence, it is clear that this Provisional Offer does not guarantee award of the INSPIRE Fellowship.

2. The value of the Fellowship will be at par with the Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)/ Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) of Government of India along with a Contingency grant. The Fellowship shall be tenable for a maximum period of five years or completion of the doctoral (PhD) degree programme or date of Ph.D. viva voce examination, whichever is the earlier.

- 3. After gaining admission into Ph.D. programme in any recognized University/ Institute, you need to prepare a detailed research proposal for your Ph.D. which is feasible to carry out in the given host institution. Kindly upload through your account on the online INSPIRE Portal (http://online-inspire.gov.in) the following: i) the PhD admission related documents along with Endorsement Certificate (Endorsement Certificate template is available in your dashboard on the online system), ii) your detailed Research Proposal to be pursued during the doctoral research, and iii) the CV of your proposed Research Supervisor. Please note that once you submit these documents, there will be no scope to alter the uploaded documents on the web-portal unless they are reverted/rejected by DST. Students are advised to upload these documents within **one month** of gaining their admission into the Ph.D. Degree Programme. Terms and Conditions are also available at the website http://www.inspiredst.gov.in/Fellowship_guidelines.pdf.
- 4. The Final Offer for award of INSPIRE Fellowship will only be made to you If you succeed at the Level II Evaluation to be done by Domain Experts and subject to availability of seats under the INSPIRE Fellowship Scheme in the respective year.
- 5. If you do not confirm your Ph.D. admission and not submit your research proposal within the valid period of one year (365 days) from the date of issue of this letter, the validity of this Provisional Offer will automatically get expired. On expiry of this offer, the online portal will get automatically closed and it will not be possible to upload any document. There is no scope for extending the validity period of this Provisional Offer. Documents submitted as e-mail attachments or any other mode during/after the Provisional Offer period/duration of 365 days from the date of issue of this letter shall not be entertained, as the complete process is online.
- 6. In the event of being your being found ineligible due to any reason at any stage (including unintentional computer/printer's error etc.) for award of the INSPIRE Fellowship, the Provisional Offer will stand withdrawn.

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