



### **Abstract**

Collegiate Education – Chief Minister Research Fellowship in respect of 60 students in Arts, Humanities and Social Science Stream and 60 students in Science Stream for 3 years in full time Ph.D., Programme – Enhancement of Research Scholars from 120 to 180 by including other disciplines – Amendment – Orders - Issued.

Higher Education (G1) Department

G.O.(Ms).No.175

Dated 30.09.2024

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு, 2055.

### **Read:-**

1. G.O.(Ms).No.53, Higher Education (G1) Department, dated 27.02.2023.
2. G.O.(Ms).No.56, Higher Education (G1) Department, dated 29.02.2024.
3. From the Director of Collegiate Education Letter No.45389/L/2023, dated 11.06.2024.

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### **ORDER:-**

In the Government Order 1<sup>st</sup> read above, orders were issued sanctioning an amount of Rs.12,31,80,000/- (Rupees Twelve Crore Thirty One Lakh and Eighty Thousand Only) towards Chief Minister's Research Fellowship as grant for three years in respect of 60 students in Arts, Humanities and Social Science Stream and 60 students in Science Stream by conducting State Level Qualifying Examination, Creation of a web portal etc., to provide a research platform for the meritorious poor post-graduates, under the mentorship of an established researcher.

2. In the Government Order 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, orders were issued approving the list of 120 candidates for receipt of Fellowship under the Chief Minister Research Fellowship Scheme for the year 2023-24.

3. In the letter 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the Director of Collegiate Education has sent a proposal seeking amendments to the Government Order 1<sup>st</sup> read above, based on the representations received from candidates pursuing full time research programme in various disciplines in the institutions other than Government Arts and Science Colleges and has requested to include any Government Aided UGC recognized higher educational institution offering Arts, Humanities, Social Science and Science subjects, within the state of Tamil Nadu to encourage quality research work undertaken by the scholars in Tamil Nadu.

### **Amendment 1:**

The Guidelines annexed with the G.O.(Ms). No.53 Higher Education (G1) Department, dated 27.02.2023, under Sl.No.6 the para read as:

"6. Procedure for applying for the scheme (CMRF):



Only candidates who have qualified in the CMRF test are eligible to apply (for fellowship) under the scheme. The qualified candidates have to register for Ph.D. only in the **State Universities and Government Colleges.**"

**May be amended as:**

"6. Procedure for applying for the scheme (CMRF):

Only candidates who have qualified in the CMRF test are eligible to apply (for fellowship) under the scheme. The qualified candidates have to register for Ph.D. only in the **State Universities, Government Colleges and Government Aided Colleges.**"

Further, he has also requested to rename the Committee and its role as reproduced below: -

**Amendment 2:**

The nomenclature of the Committees and role of the Committees may be modified as follows:

In Page 7, the nomenclature "**CMRF Selection cum Monitoring Committee / First Class Committee**" may be renamed as "**CMRF Selection cum Monitoring Committee.**"

**The role of CMRF Selection cum Monitoring Committee:**

1. Charting out the plan of action for CMRF scheme, devising the suitable guidelines or changes if any.
2. Selection of CMRF scholars – short listing the candidates based on the performance in the CMRF Qualifying Examination and forwarding to the Steering Committee for final approval.
3. Monitoring the performance of the CMRF Fellows and the Committee shall submit periodical review report once in 6 months (Annexure IV).
4. The progress of the CMRF scholars, periodically updated in the CMRF web portal shall be verified by Monitoring Committee.
5. On completion of phase I (end of 1<sup>st</sup> year), phase II (end of 2<sup>nd</sup> year) the progress made by the CMRF fellows will be reviewed by CMRF Monitoring Committee. Based on the recommendations of the Committee, further grant will be released.
6. If the CMRF candidates decide to resign from the CMRF fellowship scheme, the approval of the Monitoring committee is needed.

**The role of CMRF State Level Steering Committee:**

1. Final approval for selection of CMRF scholars lies with the Steering Committee.
2. Steering Committee is authorized for approving the Mode / Pattern of execution / Design of the scheme, submitted by the Monitoring Committee.
3. To orient the quality research towards themes with significant techno-social & economic impact, specific research areas and specific industrial problems that require solutions for societal demands will be posed through the web portal on suggestions from Steering Committee.



4. Composition of the Committee members, with additions from the Monitoring Committee or inclusion of academicians outside the forum lies entirely with the Steering Committee.
5. Any final decision making, in addition to the above mentioned rightfully rests with the Steering Committee.

4. The Government after careful examination, have decided to enhance the number of beneficiaries under Chief Minister Research Fellowship Scheme from 120 to 180 by including the students from other disciplines and issues the following amendments to G.O.(Ms).No.53, Higher Education (G1) Department, dated 27.02.2023 based on the proposal of Director of Collegiate Education: -

#### **Amendment**

<b>Amendment No.</b>	<b>Existing phrase/clause in the said G.O. and the guidelines appended thereto</b>	<b>The following shall be substituted / appended in the respective places</b>
1	120 scholars (60 students in Arts, Humanities and Social Science Stream and 60 students in Science stream).	180 scholars (60 students in Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Stream for full time Ph.D. in Government and Government Aided Colleges and 60 students in Sciences stream for full time Ph.D. in Government and Government Aided Colleges, 20 students in Engineering Stream in Government / Government Aided / Anna University Departments / Anna University Constituent Colleges, 20 students in Arts, Humanities Social Sciences Stream and Sciences Stream in the Departments of State Universities under Higher Education Department, 20 students in disciplines related to Agriculture, Veterinary, Fisheries, Education, Atmospheric Science, Oceanography (other than Law & Medical courses) in State Universities.
2	<p><b><u>Para 6 of annexure to the G.O.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>“6. Procedure for applying for the Scheme (CMRF):</u></b></p> <p>Only candidates who have qualified in the CMRF tests are eligible to apply (for fellowship) under the scheme. The qualified candidates have to register for Ph.D. only in the <b>State Universities and Government Colleges.</b>”</p>	<p><b><u>“6. Procedure for applying for the scheme (CMRF):</u></b></p> <p>Only candidates who have qualified in the CMRF test are eligible to apply (for fellowship) under the scheme. The qualified candidates have to register for Ph.D., only in the <b>State Universities, Government Colleges and Government Aided Colleges.</b>”</p>



3	<p><b><u>Para 6(l) (l) (i) of G.O</u></b></p> <p><b><u>CMRF Selection cum Monitoring Committee / First Class Committee</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>CMRF Selection cum Monitoring Committee.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>(i) (a) The role of CMRF Selection cum Monitoring Committee:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Charting out the plan of action for CMRF scheme, devising the suitable guidelines or changes if any.</li> <li>2. Selection of CMRF scholars – short listing the candidates based on the performance in the CMRF Qualifying Examination and forwarding to the Steering Committee for final approval.</li> <li>3. Monitoring the performance of the CMRF Fellows and the Committee shall submit periodical review report once in 6 months (Annexure IV).</li> <li>4. The progress of the CMRF scholars, periodically updated in the CMRF web portal shall be verified by Monitoring Committee.</li> <li>5. On completion of phase I (end of 1st year), phase II (end of 2nd year) the progress made by the CMRF fellows will be reviewed by CMRF Monitoring Committee. Based on the recommendations of the Committee, further grant will be released.</li> <li>6. If the CMRF candidates decide to resign from the CMRF fellowship scheme, the approval of the Monitoring committee is needed.</li> </ol>
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4	<p><b><u>Para 6 (I) (I) (ii) of G.O</u></b></p> <p><b><u>CMRF State Level Steering Committee.</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>(ii) (a) The role of CMRF State Level Steering Committee:</u></b></p> <p>Final approval for selection of CMRF scholars lies with the Steering Committee.</p> <p>1. Steering Committee is authorized for approving the Mode / Pattern of execution / Design of the scheme, submitted by the Monitoring Committee.</p> <p>2. To orient the quality research towards themes with significant techno-social &amp; economic impact, specific research areas and specific industrial problems that require solutions for societal demands will be posed through the web portal on suggestions from Steering Committee.</p> <p>3. Composition of the Committee members, with additions from the Monitoring Committee or inclusion of academicians from outside the forum lies entirely with the Steering Committee.</p> <p>Any final decision making, in addition to the above mentioned rightfully rests with the Steering Committee.</p>
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5. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department dated 27.09.2024.

(By Order of the Governor)

Pradeep Yadav  
Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To  
The Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai-15.  
The Registrars of all Universities under the aegis of  
Higher Education Department.  
The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education, Chennai – 5.  
The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Council for Technical Education, Chennai-25.  
All Regional Joint Directors (Through Director of Collegiate Education)  
The Pay and Accounts Office, Chennai / Madurai.  
The Treasury Officers concerned  
The Accountant General, Chennai – 18.



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The O/o the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chennai - 9.

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The Finance (Edn-I/ BG-I/ BG-II/ W&M-I) Department, Chennai – 9.

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