

Right To Information Fellowship

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Benefits (Right To Information Fellowship)

- Stipend A stipend of ■ 50,000/
- per month for three months. (subject to tax deduction at source) ■ Additional Grant ■ 50,000/
- for books, research material, travel, printing, production of creatives etc., sanctioned on the basis of the research proposal and released on production of actual bills.

Eligibility (Right To Information Fellowship)

- The applicant should be a professional in the field of journalism (newspaper/ magazine/ radio/ TV), Civil Society and research and training in the field of RTI.
- The applicant should be between 25 and 40 years of age.
- The applicant should have proven credentials in his / her professional area.
- The applicant should have some prior experience of work relating to the Right to Information.
- The applicant should have an aptitude for research.

Application Process (Right To Information Fellowship)

- Five sets of the application with enclosures in the prescribed proforma may be sent by post to: Under Secretary (IR), Department of Personnel and Training, Government of India, North Block, New Delhi - 110 001

Documents Required (Right To Information Fellowship)

- A comprehensive proposal (not more than 6-8 A4 size pages) outlining the subject to be researched
- the research plan and final deliverable. Curriculum vitae (no more than 3 A4 sheets) along with a photograph. A brief statement of work done in the field of RTI. Two references from professionals familiar with the applicant's work from his /her professional field. A no-objection from the present employer. Passport Sized Photograph. ■ NOTE: The proposal should clearly indicate the output that

will be delivered at the end of the fellowship. It could be in the nature of a monograph of 10

- 000 words which is ready for publication
- or features/news stories /investigative stories that could be printed / published as a journalistic piece in national /international media or
- in the case of professionals from the field of audio-video media
- it could even be short video films or stories.

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