

**Dr. D.S. Kothari Research Grant For Newly Recruited Faculty Members** Are you sure you want to sign out? Cancel Sign Out English / हिन्दी Sign In Back Details Benefits Eligibility Application Process Documents Required Frequently Asked Questions Sources And References Feedback Something went wrong. Please try again later. Ok You need to sign in before applying for schemes Cancel Sign In Something went wrong. Please try again later. Ok It seems you have already initiated your application earlier. To know more please visit Cancel Apply Now Check Eligibility Ministry of Education Dr. D.S. Kothari Research Grant For Newly Recruited Faculty Members Faculty Research Details The scheme "Dr. D.S. Kothari Research Grant for Newly Recruited Faculty Members" is a research grant scheme by the University Grants Commission (UGC), Department of Higher Education (DoHE). The purpose of the research grant is to provide opportunities to regularly appointed faculty members of Universities/ Institutes/ Colleges to pursue research in their area(s). All teachers who are newly appointed at the level of Assistant Professor against permanent posts in the university shall be eligible to receive financial support under the scheme. The Assistant professor should possess a Ph.D. degree with a minimum of five (5) research papers to his / her credit, published in journals of international repute. There are 132 slots, and the tenure is 2 years. The quantum of support under the scheme is ₹ 10,00,000.

**Benefits Tenure and Slots** Tenure: 2 years; Slots: 132

**Financial Assistance** The quantum of support under the scheme is ₹ 10,00,000. The grant can be utilized for purchasing items like minor equipment, consumables, contingencies, fieldwork, travel, etc. The items/equipment purchased from this grant shall be the property of the University.

**Note 1:** The grant cannot be used for international travel, purchasing furniture items or for appointing a project assistant or research fellow.

**Note 2:** The quantum of funds under these heads can be decided by the recipient depending on his / her needs.

**Eligibility**

(i) Faculty members regularly appointed and working in the following institutions: a) Universities (including constituent and affiliated colleges/institutions) are included under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956, and have valid accreditation from NAAC. b) deemed-to-be-universities under Section 3 of the UGC Act 1956 and having valid accreditation from NAAC. c) Institutions fully funded by Central or State Governments and empowered to award Degrees. d) Institutions of National Importance.

(ii) All newly appointed teachers at the level of Assistant Professor against permanent posts in the university shall be eligible to receive financial support under the scheme.

(iii) The Assistant professor should possess a Ph.D. degree with a minimum of five (5) research papers to his / her credit, published in journals of international repute.

(iv) The Assistant Professor should apply for the grant within a period of two years from the date of joining the post in the Department / University.

**Application Process** Online Applications are invited through online mode once a year through advertisements in leading newspapers & employment news. Short notification is also uploaded to the UGC website i.e. www.ugc.ac.in

**Step 1: Read the Guidelines** This is the home page of the website: https://frg.ugc.ac.in

— 5 schemes are displayed on the Homepage.

— Under each scheme, UGC guidelines are available. Before applying, kindly read the guidelines carefully and ensure your eligibility.

**Step 2: Registration**

— On the homepage, for registration, click on "New User"

for the scheme you need to apply.

— Here, you need to fill in all the details for registration and provide an email address that will be used for all future correspondence.

— Please keep ready a scanned copy of your passport-size photograph and signature (size upto 1MB, format: jpg), before registration.

— The details provided at the registration stage will not be modified, after submission. It will be reflected in the Profile.

— Click on the "Submit" button, after filling in all details.

**Step 3: Login**

— After registration, you will receive an email from ugchelp@mail.inflibnet.ac.in with the Scheme Login Credentials to fill out the application form.

— You need to fill in the received login credentials

— Please change the password while logging in for the first time. Remember the new password, thereafter.

**Step 4: Dashboard**

— The details provided by you during Registration are now available in Profile.

— Various icons displayed here will be shown in red color before complete details are entered. Once all details are filled in and submitted, the color of the icons will change to green.

— Here, you need to click on the "Eligibility Criteria" button.

**Step 5: Eligibility alert**

— Read all the criteria and click on the check box next to UGC guidelines.

**Step 6: Eligibility**

— Please provide all the required details here.

— Kindly note that, once submitted, the eligibility form will not be modified.

— And Click on the "Submit" button.

**Step 7: Data Capturing Format** After that, you click on the "Apply Now" box (see on rectangle)

Here, Data Capturing Dashboard will display where you need to fill in PG and Ph.D. details

Click on the PG Educational Qualification box

**Step 8: PG details**

— Provide PG details

— And Click on the "Submit" button

**Step 9: Ph.D. Details**

— Provide Ph.D.-related details and upload the required documents

— And Click on the "Submit" button

**Step 10: Declaration**

— Please read the declaration carefully.

— If you agree with the declaration, click on the check box next to "I Agree with above"

— And Click on the "Submit" button.

Please save your application for future use.

**Note:** No hard copies of the application form will be accepted or entertained at any point of time.

**Selection Process**

**Step 1:** The applications will be evaluated by a minimum of three referees assigned by the UGC as per the area of research proposed by the applicant. The evaluation includes the merit of the proposed project, the professional standing of the candidate, and the institution where the research is to be carried out.

**Step 2:** On the basis of the score received from the referees, the final merit list will be generated. The result shall be declared on the UGC website (www.ugc.ac.in). Selected candidates can download their award letters through the UGC website.

**Note:** The whole process would be akin to that employed for manuscript handling and evaluation by leading international journals and will be a paperless exercise. No interim queries will be entertained. The Commission reserves the right to withdraw/cancel the award of the Research Grant without assigning any reason.

**Documents Required** Scanned copy of your passport-size photograph and signature (size upto 1 MB, format: jpg). Complete Research proposal (size upto 5 MB) and an abstract (size upto 1 MB)

After filling out the application form, an auto-generated form will be displayed on your screen. Please take the print out of the same, get it signed by the HoD/Registrar, and upload the same before the submission of the application form.

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**What Is Meant By "Aadhaar Seeding"?** The fellowship is directly paid to the research scholars in their bank accounts. For this, the bank account numbers of the scholars are required to be Aadhaar linked and verified. This process is called "Aadhaar Seeding". As per the instructions of the Government of India, the Aadhaar has been made mandatory for the disbursement of all Government subsidies/Scholarships/Fellowships which are disbursed directly into the beneficiary's account. Accordingly, Aadhaar will be used as an Identifier for the release of grants under these schemes.

**Does Only The Submission Of An Application Form Guarantee The Award Of A Fellowship And Research Grant?** No, mere submission of an application form does not guarantee the award of a Fellowship and Research Grant.

**Who Shall Be Held Responsible If The Applicant Furnishes Incorrect/Incomplete Information That Results In The Cancellation Of His/Her Candidature?** It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide correct information, failing which he/she will be solely responsible for the cancellation for his/her candidature.

**Can I Apply Offline For The Research Grant?** No. You need to visit the official website to apply.

**Is There Any Application Fee?** No. The entire application process is completely free of cost.

**How Do I Know If A Field In The Application Form Is Mandatory?** The mandatory fields have a red asterisk (\*) mark at the end.

**What Shall Be The Tenure Of The Research Grant?** The tenure of the research grant shall be 2 years.

**What Will Be The Amount Of Financial Assistance Provided In This Scheme?** The quantum of support under the scheme is ₹ 10,00,000.

**Can The Grant Be Utilized For Fieldwork, Travel, Etc?** Yes, the grant can be utilized for purchasing items like minor equipment, consumables, contingencies, fieldwork, travel, etc. The items/equipment purchased from this grant shall be the property of the University.

**Can The Grant Be Used For International Travel?** No, the grant cannot be used for international travel, purchasing furniture items, or for appointing a project assistant or research fellow.

**Can The Faculties From "Deemed-To-Be-Universities" Also Apply To This Scheme?** Yes, the Faculty members regularly appointed and

working in the following institutions: a) Universities (including constituent and affiliated colleges/institutions) are included under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956, and have valid accreditation from NAAC. b) deemed-to-be-universities under Section 3 of the UGC Act 1956 and having valid accreditation from NAAC. c) Institutions fully funded by Central or State Governments and empowered to award Degrees. d) Institutions of National Importance.

**Is It Mandatory For The Assistant Professor Should Possess A Ph.D. Degree In Order To Apply For The Research Grant?** Yes, the Assistant Professor should possess a Ph.D. degree with a minimum of five (5) research papers to his / her credit, published in journals of international repute.

**Can The Assistant Professor Apply For The Grant After One Year From The Date Of Joining The Post In The Department / University?** Yes, the Assistant Professor should apply for the grant within a period of two years from the date of joining the post in the Department / University.

**What Documents Are Required To Be Uploaded In Order To Apply?** Scanned copy of your passport-size photograph and signature (size upto 1 MB, format: jpg). Complete Research proposal (size upto 5 MB) and an abstract (size upto 1 MB). After filling out the application form, an auto-generated form will be displayed on your screen. Please take the printout of the same, get it signed by the HoD/Registrar, and upload the same before the submission of the application form.

**Can The Applicant Submit A Hard Copy Of The Application Form?** No hard copies of the application form will be accepted or entertained at any point of time.

**Can The Applicant Modify The Application Once It Is Submitted?** No, please fill all your details carefully while filling the application form, once submitted, it will not be modified. No queries will be entertained for the same.

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