Prime Minister’s Research fellow scheme

‘Prime Minister’s Research Fellows (PMRF)’ scheme aims to improve the quality of research by attracting the best talents across the country. Under this scheme, the best students who have completed or are in the final year of B.Tech or integrated M.Tech or M.Sc in science and technology streams in the IISc/IITs/NITs/IISERs/IIITs will be offered direct admission in the PhD programme in the IITs/IISc.

The fellowship scheme will be implemented for a period of seven years from 2018-19. A maximum of 3,000 fellows will be selected over first three-year period, beginning 2018-19. The students who get shortlisted through the selection process would be offered a fellowship of Rs. 70,000 per month for the first two years, Rs. 75,000 per month for the third year and Rs. 80,000 per month in the fourth and fifth years. Apart from this, a research grant of Rs.2.00 lakh will be provided to each of the fellows for a period of 5 years to cover their foreign travel expenses for presenting research papers in international conferences and seminars.

It will help in tapping the talent pool of the country for carrying out research indigenously in cutting edge science and technology domains.