



Ministry of Science & Technology Department of Science & Technology

MOBILITY SCHEME

(Addressing relocation issue of Women Scientists)

In the year 2014, Department has restructured all the women specific programmes under one umbrella known as “KIRAN” (Knowledge Involvement in Research Advancement through Nurturing). KIRAN is addressing various issues related with women scientists (e.g. unemployment, relocation etc.) and aimed to provide opportunities in research (WOS-A), technology development/demonstration (WOS-B), and self-employment (WOS-C) etc. KIRAN is also actively involved in taking proactive measures, under the name CURIE (Consolidation of University Research for Innovation and Excellence in Women Universities) to develop state-of-the-art infrastructure in women universities in order to attract, train and retain promising girls students in S&T domain.

In continuation of this, another landmark programme, named as, “Mobility Scheme” has been just launched under KIRAN which will address relocation issue of women scientists working in regular position in Government Organizations. The Mobility Scheme is aimed to provide an opportunity to women scientists who are facing difficulties in their present job due to relocation (marriage, transfer of husband to any other location within the country, attending ailing parents, and accompanying children studying in different city) and will act as filler while searching other career option at new place. The initiative intends to provide a harmonious environment during early phases of women scientists where they would like to stay active in research in addition to attending and fulfilling other responsibilities in the domestic front. It offers a contractual research award to women scientists and enables them for independent research.

Who can apply:

1. Scientists/academicians working at permanent position in any Government Institution/R&D Lab/University and willing to resign from their permanent position or take a long leave to avail the fellowship and after completion of the tenure return back to the parent organization.
2. The new place should be located beyond 500 Km from present city
3. Upper age limit is 50 years to apply.

Duration:

Total tenure will be maximum five (5) years for this award. This award will not be available for renewal after completion of 5 years duration.

Emoluments:

Awardees will receive a consolidated amount of salary per month till project duration. In addition to need based one manpower support, there will be a research grant of Rs 5.00 lac per annum that includes consumables, contingencies, travel and minor equipments in order to implement the project.

How to apply:

The applicant needs to prepare a full-fledged research proposal in the area of her expertise. Five copies of application form including general information and research proposal is to be submitted in prescribed format available at www.dst.gov.in or online-wosa.gov.in.

Where to apply:

Five (5) copies of application should be sent to Dr HB Singh, Scientist, Department of Science and Technology, Technology Bhawan, New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi-110016 by speed post. A soft copy of the proposal should also be mailed at haribsingh@nic.in. The envelope may be superscribed with "**Mobility Scheme**".

Last Date of Submission : 31st July, 2016.