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**Krishna Kanta Handiqui National
Fellowship, 2019**

Applications are invited for award of Krishna Kanta Handiqui National Fellowship, 2019 from the interested Scholars/Activists/Professionals/Organisations in various fields. This year, the fellowship will be given in the field of Ecology/ Environment. Fellowship consists of a maximum of Rs. 12 (twelve) Lakhs only.

Last date of submission of proposal: 30 days from the date of publication of the advertisement.

For details, log in to www.kkhsou.in or contact Dean (Academic), KKHSOU, Mobile: 7002099268.

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GUIDELINES FOR KKHSOU FELLOWSHIP

Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University (KKHSOU) has initiated providing Fellowship to interested scholars / activists/ professionals of repute to conduct studies that have the potential to contribute to theoretical and conceptual advancement in various fields/areas/subjects and which have a practical or policy orientation for the betterment of the society and humanity as a whole.

This year (2019) Fellowship will be granted on the field/area/subject of ECOLOGY/ ENVIRONMENT.

1. Eligibility :

- 1.1. The Fellowship is open to scholars / activists/ professionals who has/have significant contribution in the areas ECOLOGY/ENVIRONMENT.
- 1.2. Professionals having significant publications to their credit is/are eligible for this grant.
- 1.3. An individual applicant or a team of applicants through his's/her's/their's employer, if any should send the proposal. Subsequently, they would be required to affiliate themselves to a reputed academic institution or a university or to an active Government or Non Government Organisations (NGO). In case of NGOs, it must have to be duly registered under the State or the Central Government.
- 1.4. This grant-in-aid would normally be available only for scholars / activists/ professionals below the age of 60 years.
- 1.5. In case of a Team of Applicants, the Principal Investigator (PI) on behalf of the team should make the application.

Nature of Assistance:

- 1.6. The quantum of assistance for Fellowship is maximum **12 lakhs**.
- 1.7. The budget estimates of these proposals are required to be prepared on the basis of guidelines (**Annexure-I, Part C**)

2. Procedure for Award:

- 2.1. Research project proposals will be evaluated and shortlisted by a Committee of Experts setup for the purpose.
- 2.2. The shortlisted applicants will make a presentation followed by an interaction.
- 2.3. The recommendations of the Committee will be placed before the Search Committee of National Award and National Fellowship 2019 for final decision.
- 2.4. After finalization of selection procedure the names will be notified in the University's website and will be published in local dailies.
- 2.5. After notification the scholars / activists/ professionals will be considered as KKHSOU Fellow in Ecology/Environment

3. Guidelines for Writing Project Proposal:

- 3.1. Proposal should have a brief title to clearly indicate its subject and aim.
- 3.2. Introduction should be concise covering origin and problem of the research, interdisciplinary relevance (if any) and review of research and development in the subject.
- 3.3. Review the published works in the area with appropriate references from both the national and international journal.

- 3.4. Cite proper justification to carry out the proposed research work and explain its future scope.
- 3.5. Proposal should have a clear research methodology including universe of the study, sampling methods, sampling size, unit of observation, sources of data types, tools and techniques for collection of data, statistical methods to be used for data analysis etc.
- 3.6. Avoid repetitive research works. (Please see **Annexure-I part B**) for format of Research proposal.
- 3.7. In case of developmental interventions to be made by the fellowship grant in the area of ecology/environment, the proposal should highlight the details of proposed interventions in the light of existing credentials of conducting similar work.

4. Release Of Grant:

- 4.1. The sanctioned grant is normally released to the Fellow in **two** instalments.
 - 4.2. The first instalment (which can be up to 50% of the grant) is released after the approval of the Project and receipt of acceptance of the applicant as indicated in **Annexure III**.
 - 4.3. The Fellow is required to deliver a lecture cum presentation at the end of each year. Subsequent amount will be released on the satisfaction of the progress of the work.
5. Ten per cent (10%) of the total grant shall be payable to the institutes/organisations as laboratory charge (if applicable).

6. Duration of Project:

- 6.1. The project duration can be estimated based on the scope and size of the project but should not be more than **2 years** including preparation of schedule, pilot study (if any), data collection, data analysis, report writing etc. The University may extend the duration to **3 years** if required by the nature of the project. In case of some unwarranted situations having legal/ethical/social implications, the University reserves the right to terminate the Fellowship.

7. Submission of Reports

- 7.1. **Progress Report:** The Fellow is required to submit an Annual Progress Report including a certified statement of expenditure actually incurred and an estimate of expenditure for the next year to the University. The release of subsequent instalment is subject to satisfactory progress of the work. (Please See **Annexure II** for the format)
- 7.2. **Final Report:** The Fellow is required to submit three copies of the final report to the University along with soft copy in a CD/DVD on completion of the project. The University may, after scrutiny of the report, request the Fellow to revise the report. The Fellow is also required to submit a/an Detailed Abstract/Executive Summary of the report mentioning Purpose, Design/Methodology/Approach, Findings, Research Limitations, Practical Implications, Originality/Value, and Keywords.
- 7.2. In case of research or publication issue, the KKHSOU is bound by the rules and regulation of the research and publication ethics.

ANNEXURE-I

PART A:	Application format	
1.	Name of the Applicant/Principal Investigator(PI)	
2.	Date of birth	
3.	Date of superannuation (if Govt/private employee)	
4.	Gender	
5.	Category	
6.	Designation	
7.	Department	
8.	School/College/Institute/NGO where the Applicant/PI is employed or engaged with:	
9.	Contact no	
10.	Email Id	
11.	Teaching and Research Experience of the Applicant/PI	
12.	Name and address of the institution where the proposal will be executed	
15.	Details of awards and fellowships received earlier, if any Please attach extra sheet if required	
16.	Whether the Project or part of Project is approved by any University for the Doctoral Degrees: If Yes, give details :	
17.	Details of the Research Project and research funding (Major/Minor) received in the past and/ongoing projects. Please attach extra sheet if required	

PART B:	Research Proposal Format	
1.	Title of the Proposed Project :	
2.	Introduction in brief	
3.	Aim and Objectives of the Research	
4.	Literature search/Review of literature	
5.	Research questions	
6.	Research limitations	
7.	Research methodology	
8.	Hypothesis	
9.	Practical implication/Future prospects	
10.	Duration of the project	

PART C	Head	Amount
1.	Requirement of Investigators/Assistants/Analysts	
2.	Travel and other related expenses	
3.	Data Processing	
4.	Printing, Postage	
5.	Books, Journals, etc	
6.	Stationery	
7.	Contingency	
8.	Others: Equipment, Internet, etc	

ANNEXURE-II

1. Title of the Research project
2. Period of the Report
3. Reference
4. Work done
5. Works remain to be done
6. Statement of expenditure Incurred during the Period

Sl. no	Item	Total Amount Sanctioned	Released amount	Balance Amount	Balance grant
	Total				

7. Anticipated expenditure during the next period

Sl.no	Item	Anticipated expenditure during the next period
	Total	

Signature of the Fellow

Annexure III

Acceptance of Fellowship

I.....hereby accept with honour the KKHSOU Fellowship granted to me by the University.
I shall abide by the requirements of the Fellowship with utmost sincerity and honesty.
I request the University to release the First Instalment of the sanctioned amount for the KKHSOU Fellowship.

Name, Signature and Date