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Dated: January 20, 2026

From: Office of the Head ISTAD CSIR HQ

To : The Directors of all CSIR National Labs/Instts/Heads of all CSIR HQ units.

Subject: Recognition of Fellowships/Scholarships as Prestigious by CSIR under Para 7.2.14 of CSIR Foreign Deputation Guidelines (CSIR FDG) – reg

Sir/Madam,

In continuation of this office circular letter of even number dated 07 July 2025 on the subject cited above, I am directed to request you to submit proposals of distinguished International Fellowships/Scholarships that are **presently not recognised as Prestigious Fellowships by CSIR** but are being offered by international agencies/organisations through **global section and following stringent selection criteria**. Such Fellowships/Scholarships should be of direct relevance to the domain area of the concerned CSIR Lab/Instt.

Such proposals would be considered by the Competent Authority for recognising them as prestigious after following due diligence. The above proposals with complete information and documents as per the enclosed Annexure-1 of earlier circular letter dated 07.07.2025 (copy enclosed) may be forwarded to the Head ISTAD through e-office latest by February 15, 2026.

Yours faithfully,

Vandana
20/1/2026
(Vandana Digvijay Singh)
Deputy Secretary ISTAD

Enclosed : as above

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Sub: Recognition of Fellowships/Scholarships as Prestigious -reg.

Sir / Madam,

I am direct to inform you that the Competent Authority has decided that **deputation benefits under Para 7.2 of CSIR Foreign Deputation Guidelines shall be extended only in cases where the fellowship has been duly recognized by CSIR as prestigious under Para 7.2 before applying for such fellowships.**

In this regard, Directors of CSIR Labs/Institutes are requested to submit proposals (upto two) of Distinguished International Fellowships / Scholarships that are presently not recognized as Prestigious Fellowships by CSIR but are being offered by international agencies/organizations after global selection & stringent selection criteria. Such Fellowships/Scholarships should be of direct relevance to the domain area of the concerned CSIR lab so as to elevate CSIR's Scientific & Technological excellence to global standards.

Such proposals would be considered by the Competent Authority for recognizing them as prestigious after following due diligence.

The above proposals with complete information & documents as per enclosed Annexure-1, may please be forwarded to the Head, ISTAD through e-office latest by August 15, 2025.

Yours faithfully,

(Atul Dhawan)
Technical Officer, ISTAD

Encl. as above.

Annexure - I

1	Name of the CSIR Lab/Institute	
2	Proposed Fellowship/Scholarship for consideration as Prestigious Scholarship under clause 7.2 of CSIR Foreign Deputation Guidelines, 1996	
3	Agency/Organization offering the fellowship/scholarship	
4	Whether fellowship is offered after global selection (Yes/No)	
5	Selection Criteria in detail of the fellowship including the no. of position available in a year and any preference to the candidates of particular geographical area. (Please specify mode of selection at each stage if selection process is multistaged) (Please attach supporting documents)	
6	List of Members of Scientific Advisory Board/Selection Board meant for selection of fellows with their Curriculum Vitae (CVs) (Please attach supporting documents)	
7	Amount of fellowship/scholarship being offered	
8	Funding details of the fellowship (any connection with the Foreign Govt., United Nations, European Union etc.)	
9	Justification for direct relevance of the proposed fellowship/scholarship to the ongoing/planned research work of proposing CSIR Lab/Institute (Brief write-up)	
10	Previous history of the fellowship i.e., any name changes (if any).	
11	Whether the fellowship is declared prestigious for the deputation terms by the other departments/ organisations of Govt. of India.	
12	Brochure of the fellowship	
13	Any other information felt necessary	

(Signature of Head, ISTAG)

(Signature of Director of CSIR Lab/Instt.)

*Kindly enclose the Recommendation of ISTAG and Director of the laboratory along with justification