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[Fulbright-Nehru Fellowships](#)

About:

Since 1950, USIEF (United States-India Educational Foundation) has sponsored Indian from all walks of life for the Fulbright Program to gain a greater understanding of U.S. society, culture, and values and to foster a deeper appreciation of India amongst their American colleagues. The fellowships are given in the below mentioned three categories:

- **Student awards** to pursue a master's degree or attend a U.S. university as a visiting student researcher.
- **Scholars and teacher awards** for academics, teachers and professionals to teach or conduct research in the U.S.
- **Professional development programs** for university administrators to develop leadership and specialized skills.

Application Deadline: **Apply now**

Download [the brochure](#) to explore the fellowships of interests

[Design a Stamp](#)

on UNESCO World Heritage Sites in India

Philately is the study of stamps and postal history and other related items. It also refers to the collection, appreciation and research activities on stamps and other philatelic products. Philately Division, Department of Posts, Government of India announces Stamp Design Contest on the occasion of Independence Day 2020. There will cash prizes for Rs. 50K, 25K and 10K for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place respectively.

Eligibility:

- Competition is open to all Indian Citizens/Institutions residing within and outside India.
- All entries are governed by the provisions of Emblems and Names (Prevention of improper use) Act, 1950 and any violation of the said Act will result in disqualification.

Application Deadline: **27th July 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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BIRAC Innovation Challenge 2020-21

About:

BIRAC-SoCH is an Innovation Challenge Award envisioned to offer a unique platform to Start-ups/Entrepreneurs working in the community health sector. The focus of the Challenge is to facilitate a promising technology idea that can be translated into an efficient technology which addresses the issues of community health in a defined time limit.

Eligibility:

- The applicant must be an Indian citizen.
- If the applicant is formally employed (or registered as a student) with a non-profit academic or research organization/ for-profit company then the applicant has to produce a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the head of the organization clearly indicating that the organization has policies in place to allow the applicant to accept the award (if successful) as an individual and has policies in place to allow its employees creation of technology products while in service or while in sabbatical leave or while in EOL.

Alternatively, the applicant needs to apply as Company.

Application Deadline: **30th July 2020**

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Fishbowl Challenge Entrepreneurial Competition 2020

About:

Fishbowl Challenge Entrepreneurial Competition is a competition that brings together students from various parts of the world in collaborative problem-solving for some of the world's most complex social and economic issues.

Fishbowl is an intense 6-month business planning competition to tackle some of the world's most important challenges. Teams from around the world compete for a fully-funded summer to pursue their venture and for a shot at seed funding while receiving feedback from mentors and judges along the way. The winning team will be given a reward of USD 50,000.

Application Deadline: **31st July 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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Erupt! 2020 Social Change Art Competition

About:

The competition aims to achieve the double purpose of promoting the arts and discovering and exposing new talent while providing lasting solutions to the creeping crisis of indigent children.

Eligibility:

- 1. This competition is open to artists from across the world
- 2. There are no age restrictions or professional requirements. All ages are welcome to apply.
- 3. Submissions are expected to attempt to start conversations about the plight of invisible children while shedding more light on said issue.

Application Deadline: **10 August 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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The World Bank Mission Billion Challenge

About:

The Mission Billion Innovation Challenge is powered by the MIT Solve platform, an initiative of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, that uses open innovation and crowdsourcing to solve global challenges. Through this MIT Solve platform, innovators and organizations, participants are able to submit a solution to the Mission Billion Challenge. Submissions will be evaluated by committees formed of staff members of the World Bank and partner organizations. The final evaluation panel will be composed of globally recognized experts in the field of digital identification systems. The Challenge is offering cash prizes totaling US\$150,000 for the most promising and innovative solutions.

Eligibility:

The challenge is open to all including academics, entrepreneurs, scientists, technologists and other engaged citizens.

Application Deadline: **14th August 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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[New India Foundation Fellowship](#)

About:

New India Foundation's core activity is awarding fellowships to scholars and writers working on different aspects of the history of independent India. From a large pool of several hundred applications, about 15-20 are shortlisted to meet with the jury and about 5-10 fellowships are awarded.

Eligibility:

Open only to Indian nationals, including those currently living abroad, the fellowships are awarded for one year and carry a stipend of Rs.1,50,000 a month. Fellowship holders are expected to write original books. The only requirement is that the proposed works contribute to the fuller understanding of independent India. Thus Fellowship holders may choose to write a memoir, or a work of reportage, or a thickly footnoted academic study. Their books could be oriented towards economics, or politics, or culture.

Application Deadline: **31st August 2020**

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E-Raksha Competitions

by NCERT for School & College Students, Parents and Teachers

About:

The idea behind the eRaksha Competition, is to provide a platform to netizens to share tips and strategies on:

- How to be Safe & Responsible Netizens
- How to address Fake News and Misinformation especially with regard to COVID-19

The competitions are conducted to encourage participation across multiple levels in the education ecosystem – students from school and colleges, educators from various domains and caregivers to share innovative solutions to problems faced in cyberspace in the form of an artwork, a written piece, a video or even an invention.

Eligibility:

Category 1: Students from Schools (Ages 10 and above)

Category 2: Students from Colleges (Ages 17 and above)

Category 3: Teachers, Parents and Guardians

Application Deadline: **30 September 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail



Section 2: For Faculty and Students

ICSSR Fellowships

About:

Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) was established in the year of 1969 by the Government of India to promote research in social sciences in the country.

ICSSR offers four categories of fellowships to Social Science scholars who are at various levels in their profession:

Doctoral Fellowships are open to doctoral students, preferably below the age of 40 years, who have a Master's degree from a recognized university with a first or second class and are registered for a doctoral degree in social sciences.

Post-Doctoral Fellowships are awarded to scholars, below the age of 45 years, who have shown significant competence in research work, have completed their Ph.D. at the time of their application and desire to work on approved research themes at institutions of excellence under the guidance of senior social scientists

Besides above said two fellowships for scholars, following two fellowships are also awarded to senior/retired social scientists working in diverse fields:

Senior Fellowships are awarded to social scientists between the age group of 45-70 years, who have done Ph D and have quality research work, publications and papers in professional journals to their credit. Besides, civil servants, journalists and social workers for their academic interests are also considered.

National Fellowships are offered to eminent retired socials scientists, who have made outstanding contribution to research in their respective fields, to enable them to continue their academic work and research.

Application Deadline: **Apply immediately (to be informed later)**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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National Youth Award

About:

National Youth Award is conferred on young men and women and voluntary organization every year in recognition of their outstanding work in the field of national development and social service.

Eligibility:

- He/She must be a citizen of India, between the ages of 15 – 29 years as on 01.01.2020
- He/She should have done extra-ordinary identifiable social work.
- Persons employed in any government service i.e. with the Central/State Governments, PSUs/Universities, Colleges/Schools, etc. are not eligible for the award
- Participant is to make sure that his/her MyGov profile is accurate and updated since Department of Youth Affairs would be using this for further communication. This includes details such as name, photo and phone number. Entries with incomplete profiles would not be considered.

Application Deadline: **16th July, 2020**

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National Bio-Science Award

(S.Ramachandran National Bio-Science Award for Career Development 2020 by DBT, Govt. of India)

About:

The objective of the award is to recognize outstanding contributions of young scientists below 45 years of age in basic and applied research in the areas of Biosciences and Biotechnology including basic, agricultural, biomedical and environmental sciences with potential for application/ product and technology development and to provide a grant for research for their career development.

Upto 10 awards subject to the availability of suitable candidates will be given every year. Each award carries a cash prize of Rs 2,00,000/- (one time) along with a project research grant of Rs

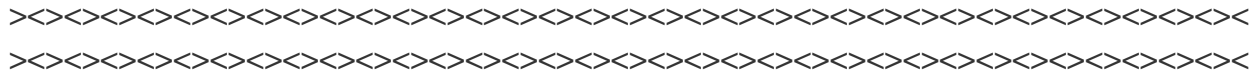
15,00,000/- @ Rs 5,00,000/- per year for a period of three years for career development with a citation and trophy.

Eligibility:

- i) Any Citizen of India including who is engaged in basic and applied research in the areas of biosciences and biotechnology in the country.
- ii) He/She should have made significant and outstanding contribution in the areas of biosciences/biotechnology during last 5 years. The work for which nomination is made must have been carried out in India.
- iii) He/She should submit a research project for advancement of his/her work in India for a period of next 3 years.
- iv) He/she should be below the age of 45 years as on closing date of nomination submission

Application Deadline: **15th August, 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail



Section 3: For Students only

Post Doctoral Fellow

About:

IISER Bhopal invites applications for the post of “Project Postdoctoral Fellow” in the Department of Mathematics Salary As per Institute norms is currently Rs. 54,000 + 16% HRA)
Duration: One year (extendable up to one more year, subject to satisfactory performance)

Eligibility:

1. Ph.D. in Mathematics from a recognized University/Institute with research interests in the area of Numerical Analysis.

Application Deadline: **25 July 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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Commonwealth Professional Fellowships 2020

About:

Applications are now invited from Mid-Career Professionals for the Commonwealth Professional Fellowships 2020. The Fellowships are for mid-career professionals from low and middle-income Commonwealth countries to spend between six weeks and three months at a UK Host organization working in their sector on a program of professional development. Funded by the UK Department for International Development (DFID), Commonwealth Professional Fellowships provide talented and motivated professionals with the opportunity to enhance knowledge and skills in their given sector.

Eligibility: Applicants must

- Be a citizen of or have been granted refugee status by an eligible Commonwealth country, or be a British Protected Person;
- Be permanently resident in an eligible Commonwealth country;

- Have at least five years' full-time, or equivalent part-time, relevant work experience, in a profession related to the subject of the Fellowships program, by the proposed start of the fellowship – voluntary work experience will not be counted towards this minimum;
- Be in employment at the time of application that they will return to upon completion of the fellowship;
- Not have undertaken a Commonwealth Professional Fellowship within the last five years (at the time of application);
- Not be seeking to undertake an academic program of research or study in the UK. Academics are eligible to apply for the scheme, but only to undertake programs of academic management, not research or courses relevant to their research subject;
- Be available to undertake the Fellowship between February 1, 2021, and March 15, 2021. You should check the exact dates with the prospective Host.

Application Deadline: **3 August 2020**

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The Gratitude Network Leadership Development Fellowship

for Social Entrepreneurs

About:

This is a leadership development program for social entrepreneurs serving children and youth. The Gratitude Network Fellowship is a 12-month leadership development program designed to help social entrepreneurs scale their organizations to the next level and therefore expand their impact.

Eligibility:

- The applicant should be committed full-time to the social enterprise organization.
- The applicant should have strategic decision making power for the social enterprise as the organization's Founder/ Co-Founder, Executive Director, CEO, or similar level role.
- The applicant should be committed to actively participate in the Coaching and leadership development process with honesty, self-reflection, and self-motivation.

- The applicant should be able to commit to the time commitments of the Fellowship.

Application Deadline: **14 August 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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Meaningful Business 100 (MB100) Award for Leaders

About:

Nominations are now invited for **The Meaningful Business 100**. The Meaningful Business 100 (MB100) Award identifies and celebrates the leaders globally who are combining profit and purpose to help achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The MB100 celebrates individuals working across different sectors, causes, roles, and geographies. These include outstanding purpose-driven entrepreneurs, corporate leaders, impact investors, and sustainability experts. They invite you to nominate a leader within your organization, sector, or wider network, to be considered by their judging panel.

Eligibility: Individuals who have:

1. Created a positive, direct, and intended impact aligned to one or more SDGs in the last 12 months.
2. Been the driving force behind the product, service, or project that combines purpose and profit.

Application Deadline: **14 August 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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Post-Doctoral Fellow at IIT Roorkee

About:

The Department of Physics at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Roorkee invites applications from outstanding and enthusiastic researchers for the postdoctoral position under the mentorship of Dr. M.V. Sunil Krishna focused on the “Study of thermospheric and mesospheric cooling by Nitric Oxide radiative emissions”. The fellow will receive a consolidated fellowship

of Rs. 55,000/- per month for the first two years and Rs. 60,000 for the third year in addition to the contingency grant of Rs. 50,000/-per annum.

Eligibility:

- Ph.D. in Physics/ Atmospheric Physics/ Space Physics/ Computational Physics/ Meteorology.
- Candidates who have recently submitted their thesis are also eligible to apply subject to the condition that they will furnish the proof of the award of Ph.D. degree at the time of interview at IIT Roorkee if shortlisted.
- The prospective candidate is expected to have a strong background in the area of Atmospheric and Space Physics especially related to the space weather, mesospheric and thermospheric structure, dynamics, and processes.
- Knowledge of data analysis methods, numerical and analytical modeling techniques with a strong programming background are essential.
- Prior experience of working with global atmospheric models such as TIE-GCM, WACCM-X, CESM will be an added advantage.

Application Deadline: **25 August 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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[Global Business Challenge](#)

About:

The challenge for the 2020 Global Business Challenge is to ‘develop novel and sustainable solutions to aid in resource recovery and promote the circular economy’. The Global Business Challenge (GBC) is being conducted as a partnership between QUT, The University of Queensland, and Griffith University, and with the support of government and industry.

Eligibility:

- Team participation will comprise a mix of a maximum of four postgraduate students from any combination of business and/ or technical disciplines.
- However, in order for teams to be as competitive as possible, we strongly encourage a multidisciplinary approach with teams of students with multidisciplinary expertise wherever possible.
- Students must have been enrolled in any academic period between July of the previous year through to June of the year of competition.
- Students can be either full-time or part-time and schools and universities may field multiple teams.

Application Deadline: **28 August 2020**

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[Proposals for Indo-U.S. Virtual Networked Centers](#)

About:

The Indo-U.S. Science and Technology Forum (IUSSTF) invites proposals from ambitious research scholars for the Indo-U.S. Virtual Networked Centers. The **Indo-U.S. Virtual Networked Centers** provide a platform to enable Indian and American scientists from academia, laboratories, and industry to carry out joint research activities by leveraging already existing infrastructure and funding available with the partners on both sides. Funding is generally granted for a two-year period upto maximum of INR Fifty Lakh.

Eligibility:

- Qualified researchers from all disciplines of Science, Technology, and Engineering working at Indian and American Academic Institutions, Laboratories, and Industries. The research topic should be of high scientific quality, originality, and relevance to cover areas of topical and mutual interest.
- Minimum of two Indian and two American distinct institutional partners (2+2 Partnership Mode).

- All partners should have an intellectual and financial stake in the Networked Centers activities by contributing resources required for the project execution (including associated salary costs).
- Proof of existing funding support available towards infrastructure and equipment has to be provided as a part of the proposal.

Application Deadline: **31st August 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

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[Ernest Rutherford Fellowship 2020](#)

About:

Applications are invited by Science and Technology Facilities Council from Early Career Researchers for the Ernest Rutherford Fellowship 2020. The Ernest Rutherford Fellowships will enable early career researchers with clear leadership potential to establish a strong, independent research program.

Eligibility :

- Ernest Rutherford Fellowships are intended for early-career researchers who do not have a permanent academic position. You are not eligible if you currently hold a permanent academic position or the equivalent in institutions other than universities.
- Applicants should hold a Ph.D. at the time of applying for an Ernest Rutherford Fellowship.
- If you secure a permanent position prior to the offer of a Fellowship you will be ineligible to hold the Fellowship.
- Fellowships are open to applicants of any nationality.
- Applications are welcome from candidates who intend to use the Fellowship as a means of re-establishing themselves in the United Kingdom following a period overseas.

Application Deadline: **17th September 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

DRDO Scholarship Scheme for Girls

About:

Recruitment & Assessment Centre (RAC), DRDO invites online scholarship applications from the Girls / Women students studying in first year of Under Graduate (BE/B.TECH: full time four year degree) and Post Graduate (M.TECH/ME: two year full time degree course) under “DRDO Scholarship Scheme for Girls in Aerospace Engg / Aeronautical Engg / Space Engg & Rocketry / Avionics / Aircraft Engg” for FY 20-21, Batch-02

Eligibility:

For under-graduate candidates

- Candidate must be an Indian National.
- Candidate should have got admission in the 1st year of current academic year (2020-21) to the relevant B.E./ B. Tech./B.Sc Engg. course. Candidate should have cleared JEE (Main).
- Candidate should have a valid JEE(Main) score.

For Post-graduate candidates

- Candidate must be an Indian National.
- Candidate should have secured admission in the 1st year of the current academic year (2020-21) to the relevant ME/M.TECH / M.Sc Engg course.
- Candidate must have scored minimum 60% marks in the qualifying exam (graduation level: BE/B Tech/B Engg. or equivalent) for getting admission to the subject course as per the guidelines set by AICTE/MHRD. In cases where the conversion formula is not obtainable, CGPA/CPI of 6.75 (for a 10 point scale) will be taken as equivalent to 60%, as per AICTE guidelines.
- Candidate should have a valid GATE (General Aptitude Test in Engineering) score

Application Deadline: **30th September 2020**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

Theil Fellowship

About:

The Thiel Fellowship is a two-year, \$100,000 grant for young people who want to build new things instead of sit in a classroom. It grants between 20 and 30 fellowships each year. Most Fellows do build teams during their fellowships, small groups of people working towards the same vision are the people who get stuff done. You don't need to have incorporated a company or built a full product yet, but at a minimum you'll need to demonstrate meaningful progress toward a concrete vision. Some Thiel Fellows are programmers, but others have started nonprofits, created consumer products, launched media companies, and built hardware. We look to support young people who want to bring their ideas to the world.

Eligibility:

1. Anyone aged 22 or younger is eligible to apply.
2. If you're selected you'll need to drop your present school/college in order to accept the Fellowship.

Application Deadline: **Apply throughout the year**

Visit the [website](#) for more detail

