



NOTIFICATION

Subject: Implementation of Central University of Punjab Research Promotion Scheme for Non-NET Fellows

In pursuance to the approval of the Executive Council in its 73rd Meeting held on 21.06.2026 vide Item No. EC:73:2026:28, Academic Council in its 34th Meeting held on 24.07.2026 vide Item No. AC:34:2026:3 and consequent upon the approval of the Competent Authority, the **Research Promotion Scheme for Non-NET Fellows** is hereby notified to provide performance-based incentive in the form of additional support to the Non-NET Fellows.

1. Eligibility Criteria

The criteria shall be as under:

- (i) Students should have completed two years from the date of registration;
- (ii) The students shall have a minimum CGPA of 6.5 in course work.
- (iii) A minimum of 02 papers published/accepted in Scopus/Web of Science (WoS)-indexed journals, out of which one should be a research paper where the scholar is the main/first author in the Science stream. The other paper may be a research paper or a review. One of the two papers should be published in Q1 journal. If more than one student is the main author, the paper shall be counted only for one student for performance-based incentive.
- (iv) For research scholars of Social Science/Humanities streams, one research paper published/accepted in Scopus/WOS indexed journal is required as main/first author.
- (v) Additional weightage will be given for a patent filed, translational research and an idea leading to a startup.
- (vi) The students' progress will be evaluated at the end of two years by a 5-member committee constituted by the competent authority.

2. Number of Fellows to be Supported

Number of fellows to be supported under the scheme per department per academic year will be as follows provided they fulfill the above criteria:

- (i) In the department having up to 5 research scholars, the incentive shall be awarded only to one research scholar.
- (ii) In the department having 6 to 10 research scholars, the incentive shall be awarded to maximum of two research scholars.
- (iii) In the department having 11 to 15 or more research scholars, the incentive shall be awarded to maximum of three research scholars.

3. Quantum and Commencement of the Incentive

Rs. 5,000/- will be given per month as an incentive to selected non-NET fellows from IRG from the start of third year from the date of registration.

4. Continuation of the Incentive

Research scholars selected as per the above criteria will be evaluated again at the end of third year. The incentive shall continue for fourth year subject to publication/acceptance of an additional research paper as main author in Scopus/WOS-indexed journals in both Science and Social Sciences/Humanities streams.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.



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