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The Registrar University of Kashmir Srinagar Jammu & Kashmir 190 006 Date: 22-06-2023

Sanction Order (Scheme Code- 0877)

Subject: Extension of ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship of 'Ms. Aqsaa Amin Nowshahri', into the Second Year to work on "Understanding Margins and Marginality - A Study of Access to Healthcare among Tribes in Kashmir."

In continuation of our earlier sanction letter of even number dated 14-01-2022, I am happy to convey that ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship term of 'Ms. Aqsaa Amin Nowshahri' has been extended into the Second Year for the period from 20-12-2022 to 19-12-2023.

The Fellowship is subject to the following terms and conditions:

The sanctioned grant of **Rs.2,60,000/-** is allocated as follows:

Fellowship Grant @ Rs.20,000/-p.m. for 12 months:

Contingency Grant @ Rs.20,000/-p.a.:

Rs. 2,40,000/-

Rs. 20,000/-

Total Grant:

Rs. 2.60.000/-

2. The Sanctioned amount of Second Year of Rs.2,60,000/- will be released in three instalments:

First Instalment of Second year

Rs. 1,30,000 /-

(Total grant of First Six Months)

Second Instalment of Second year

Rs. 1,10,000 /-

(Grant for remaining Six Months)

Third and Final Instalment of Second year

Rs. 20,000 /-

(Annual Contingency grant)

- 3. a) The First instalment of Rs. 1,30,000/- will be released only after completion of one year and on receipt of the detailed Annual Progress Report duly forwarded by Supervisor and the simple Annual Statement of Expenditure incurred against the grant released in First Year, both duly forwarded by the competent authority along-with the Grant-in-aid bill for the amount of First instalment of Second year.
 - b) The second instalment of Rs. 1,10,000/- will be released only after completion of six months and on receipt of the detailed Six-Monthly Progress Report in the prescribed format duly forwarded by Supervisor and the simple Statement of Expenditure incurred against the total grant released till date, both duly forwarded by the competent authority along-with the Grant-in-aid bill for the amount of Second instalment of Second Year.
 - c) The final instalment of Rs. 20,000/- payable to the scholar (s) shall be released by ICSSR only after the receipt and acceptance of the following:
 - (i) A Copy of the Ph. D thesis submitted to the University for Award of the Degree along-with a Summary of the report (3000-4000 words) and research papers published along with its soft copy in a pen-drive.
 - (ii) An audited Statement of Accounts and Utilization Certificate for the entire expenditure incurred (in GFR Form 12 A). The accounts and utilization certificate will be signed by the Finance Officer/Registrar/ Principal/Director in case the accounts of the Institution are audited by the CAG/AG. Otherwise, they need to be signed both by the competent authority of the affiliating institution along with the chartered accountant.

- (iii) The Grant-in-Aid Bill of Rs. 20,000/- duly completed, signed and stamped by the Registrar/Finance Officer/ Principal/Director of the university/college/institute (as the case may be) across a revenue stamp of usual denomination
- 4. If a fellow leaves the fellowship before its full-term, he / she has to give an Undertaking to submit the Ph.D. thesis within a reasonable period but he has to submit a detailed Progress Report duly forwarded by the Supervisor without claiming the fellowship from the date of leaving. In such cases, the ICSSR may consider to pay contingency grant only. In other cases, the scholar can leave the fellowship by refunding the entire amount already released by the ICSSR. The scholars who have left the fellowship without completion and without informing the ICSSR, are required to refund the entire amount of fellowship released with penalty/penal interest.
- 5. In case, a scholar submits his/her Ph.D. Thesis in the University before completion of Fellowship Term of Two-Years, then the scholar shall be entitled to avail the Fellowship for the period starting from the date of Joining the ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship till the date of his/her thesis submission at the University. As per the present rates, an amount of Rs.21,666.66/- per month (the amount includes Fellowship as well as Contingency Grant) shall be payable for the said period. Accordingly, the audited Statement of Accounts and Utilization Certificate should be submitted for the total amount of grant that is duly payable to the scholar.
- 6. The amount of grant sanctioned herein is to be utilized by stipulated period. Any amount of the grant remaining unspent during this period shall be refunded to ICSSR immediately after completion of the Fellowship along with the simple statement of expenditure. In case the Grantee does not utilize the grant released, the unspent balance must be refunded to the ICSSR with **interest thereon @10% p.a.** from the date of its sanction.
- 7. The other terms and conditions of the Fellowship, as already stipulated in our original sanction letter of even number dated **14-01-2022** will remain the same.

(S. M. Verma) For Member-Secretary

Encl: As above

Copy to:

- 1. Finance Branch, ICSSR: The expenditure involved will be debited to the Budget Head of Accounts (C) Research Fellowships Centrally Administered Doctoral Fellowships Plan (GEN) O.H.-31.
- 2. Ms. Aqsaa Amin Nowshahri

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3. Record File

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