Department of Archaeology

Notification

F.No. 1(5)/Scheme/2022-23/Archaeology

The Goa Archaeological Research Fellowship Scheme

Introduction:

This scheme has been designed with an objective to encourage scholars to undertake research activities in the field of Archaeology of Goa and West Coast. Four Research Fellowships shall be awarded, two at Junior level and two at Senior level each for research in the specified area for 24 months.

Short title and commencement:

- This scheme may be called as "The Goa Archaeological Research Fellowship Scheme" to encourage Scholars to undertake research in the field of Goan Archaeology.
- ii. The scheme shall come into force from the date of notifying the same in the official Gazette of Government of Goa.

Objectives of the Scheme:

- i. To encourage Scholars to undertake research on Archaeology of Goa based on the primary archaeological sources.
- ii. To promote and develop research culture in the State of Goa in the field of Archaeology
- iii. To promote interdisciplinary research in Colleges, University and other educational research organizations.
- iv. To create a database of archaeological heritage of Goa.

Outcome of the Scheme:

- i. Unexplored archaeological treasure will be brought to light which will help to carry out further research in the field of Archaeology of Goa:
- ii. More and more researchers will come to visit the Protected Monuments of the Department of Archaeology for research activities and will help in creating awareness about the Protected Monument and Sites of Goa and archaeological treasure of Goa in general.

iii. Department will generate research on archaeological past of Goa for publication.

Eligibility:

- i. Any individual who has completed her/his Post-Graduation in M.A. in Ancient Indian History Culture and Archaeology/ M.A in History / M.A in Indology and is up to 35 years of age as on the closing date of application shall be eligible to undertake research in the junior category.
- ii. Any individual who has completed her/his Doctorate in Ancient Indian History Culture and Archaeology/ History / Indology and is up to 45 years of age as on the closing date of application shall be eligible to undertake research in the senior category.
- iii. The fellowship shall be awarded to any scholar only once in her/his life time under each of the following two categories:

1. Junior Research Fellowship.

- a) For Goan Scholar Having 15 years of Residence in Goa.
- b) For Indian Scholar Having Indian citizenship.

2. Senior Research Fellowship.

- a) For Goan Scholar Having 15 years of Residence in Goa.
- b) For Indian Scholar Having Indian citizenship.
- iv. A fellow will not be eligible for any other fellowship offered by the Department in any other category for a period of 5 years from the date of the submission of her/his project. Any grace period/extension will not be considered under the quantum of the fellowship financial assistance.
- v. Research preferably in the field of Archaeology of Goa shall be encouraged.

Nature & quantum of Assistance:

- Eligible scholars under junior category shall be awarded a fellowship of ₹ 25,000/- per month for a period of 24 months.
- ii. Eligible scholars under senior category shall be awarded a fellowship of ₹ 40,000/- per month for a period of 24 months. - He

iii. Maximum two fellowships shall be awarded under Junior and Senior category respectively.

Procedure for applying under the Scheme:

- i. The Department of Archaeology shall release a press advertisement inviting applications for the Junior and Senior Research Fellowship Scheme for scholars. The committee constituted for the purpose by the Department of Archaeology from time to time shall select the scholars for the fellowship.
- ii. A half yearly progress report shall be submitted by the research fellow.
- iii. The project report in the form of 2 hard copies and a soft copy must be submitted within a period of 30 days after the completion of her/his 24 months of fellowship.
- iv. The project submitted shall be exclusively the property of Department of Archaeology, Government of Goa.

Scheme Monitoring & Review Committee:

- v. The Monitoring / Reviewing Committee under the scheme shall consist of 5 members, who will be appointed by the Department of Archaeology.
- vi. The Committee shall hold periodic meetings to examine and scrutinize the research proposals to select the scholars for fellowship.
- vii. The decisions of the Committee regarding selection of the scholars for fellowship shall be final and binding.

Framing of Guidelines:

For better implementation of the scheme, Government may frame and update guidelines from time to time, if required.

Relaxation:

The Government reserves the right to modify the quantum of financial support as well as number of Fellowships, depending upon the budgetary provision. Government also reserves right to modify any or all the conditions or hold in abeyance or suspend or cancel the scheme at any point of time and no claim or

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appeal or challenge shall lie with any authority or tribunal or court in respect of this decision of the Government.

Interpretation:

Issues relating to interpretation of any clause, word, expression or entire scheme, shall finally lie with the Government of Goa.

Redressal of Grievances and Dispute:

Grievance if any arising out of implementation of this scheme shall be heard by the Minister of Archaeology to decide on the same. The decision of the Minister for Archaeology in this regard shall be final and binding.

Validity:

The validity of this scheme is for a period of 2 years.

This issues with the approval of Finance (Exp.) Department vide U.O. No. 2626/F dated 21/06/2025.

By Order and in the name of the

Governor of Goa

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Director,

Department of Archaeology & Ex-Officio Joint Secretary