

## **Operational details of research fellowship for the research scholars**

### **1. Research Associate:**

A student who has qualified the Teerthanker Mahaveer University Research Aptitude Test (TRAT) and has expressed his/her willingness to pursue Ph.D full- time from TMU.

### **2. Applying for Research Assistantship:**

A TRAT qualified candidate who has registered in Ph.D programme of the university, has completed Coursework and is willing to pursue Ph.D full-time may apply for the paid assistantship.

### **3. Eligibility criteria:**

The minimum eligibility to apply for research fellowship is to qualify the Ph.D entrance exam of the university. The applicants for this programme will have to appear before a Board constituted for this purpose by the university to determine the suitability of the applicant. The university shall announce the number of seats available for fellowship in each college and this information shall also be displayed on the website.

### **4. Research Stipend Amount:**

Research scholars will be given research fellowship of Rs. 20,000/- per month.

### **5. Performance Monitoring:**

The performance of the research scholars will be monitored six monthly, recorded and reported by RAC to CRC. In case the performance of the research scholar is found to be dissatisfactory at any stage of the research, or if the research scholar is found to be engaged in any act of misconduct or indiscipline, the research fellowship will be withdrawn with immediate effect on the recommendation of CRC.

**6. Duration:**

The maximum duration of the grant of fellowship is three years. The fellowship will be subject to review after 2 years of the initial grant. The continuance of fellowship will depend on satisfactory research and work report provided by RAC and CRC on completion of two years from the grant of fellowship.

**7. Attendance of the research scholar:**

**7.1:** It is mandatory for the research scholars, receiving Research Stipend, to be regular in attending the responsibilities assigned by the Principal of the respective College of the university in which they have been admitted for pursuing Ph.D.

**7.2:** The biometric attendance of the research scholars will be marked by respective college in which the research scholar has taken admission.

**7.3:** Monitoring of attendance of the research scholars will be the responsibility of the CRC Chairperson of respective college.

**7.4:** The respective college will coordinate with Accounts Department to facilitate the payment of fellowship by timely submission of attendance and minimum 10 hours workload per week report for the given month.

**8. Leave:**

The research scholar will be entitled to only Medical Leave, Casual Leave and Academic leave according to the university rules governing teaching faculty. For availing the Academic Leave, the research scholar will have to produce evidence of the conduct of workshop/ conference/ seminar to the Chairperson CRC through his/her supervisor. Every type of leave for the research fellows will be granted by the respective Principal of the College.

**9. Work load:**

A research associate who is granted fellowship will be assigned a minimum workload of 10 hours per week. This workload will be mandatory for drawing the monthly fellowship amount. The workload may consist of assignments like teaching, practical, lab, tutorials or any other academic activity as deemed fit by the Chairperson CRC of that respective college, in consultation with the supervisor of the research scholar.