



Fellowship for Independent Research- Women

Eligibility: This fellowship supports women researchers with a strong academic interest in History and the Social Sciences. Selected fellows will be affiliated with the Kerala Council for Historical Research (KCHR).

Applicants may propose their own research topics or choose from the following suggested themes:

- Early Historic Period, with special reference to archaeological investigations on the West Coast, river valleys, and trade routes
- Early Modern period between the 15th and 18th centuries CE, with special interest in Indian Ocean Studies.
- Transformation of Kerala society and culture in the post-independence period

Researchers interested in digitizing original archival materials relevant to historical research are also welcome to apply. (For details on the digitization project, see the section on Financial Assistance for Projects under Conservation of Historical Heritage of Kerala.)

Women fellows who are not currently employed or affiliated with any other institution are encouraged to be based at KCHR during the fellowship period.

- Fellowship Tenure: One year
- Total Grant: ₹3,25,000 (disbursed in three instalments, includes ₹25,000 contingency grant)

Applications: Applications will be invited once in every academic year. The candidates may submit the applications online as specified. The complete application should include

1. Completed application form
2. CV of the applicant
3. Copy of Master's Degree certificate
4. Copy of any valid government certified identity proof
5. Copy of valid proof of Domicile (Government issued proof)
6. A proposal not exceeding 3000 words on the proposed topic of research which also discusses how the researcher intends to carry out the research and a work plan for one year.
7. List of published academic publications, if any
8. Copy of reservation certificates issued by the competent authority, if applicable

Evaluation: All proposals will be subjected to a plagiarism check. All incomplete applications, and applications received after the deadline will be rejected. The decisions of the Selection Committee will be final.