



Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Centre)

and

JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU)

Joint NAM S&T Centre – JSS STU, Mysuru, India Fellowship Programme

Background

In alignment with its commitment to advancing South-South cooperation in Science and Technology, the Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Centre) has instituted several Fellowship Programmes that are aimed at supporting deserving young scientists and researchers from the developing countries for their research capacity building and to establish closer linkages with the Centres of Excellence across various nations.

The NAM S&T Centre [www.namstct.org] in collaboration with the JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU), Mysuru, Karnataka, India [www.jssstuniv.in], in follow up of the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the two sides has initiated a **“Joint NAM S&T Centre – JSS STU Fellowship Programme”** to provide opportunities to scientists, researchers and academicians of its Member Countries and Members of the NAM S&T – Industry Network (list of Member Countries and Network Members can be found on the Centre’s website; www.namstct.org) to affiliate with JSS STU and its constituent units in various fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Management.

Objective

The objective of the “Joint NAM S&T Centre – JSS STU, Mysuru, India Fellowship Programme” is to provide opportunities to the scientists and researchers from the NAM and other developing countries for working in JSS STU, facilitate international research collaborations and to strengthen scientific, technological and academic networking between the NAM S&T Centre and JSS STU.

Number of Fellowships

Up to five scientists, researchers or academicians from the Member Countries and S&T-Industry Network Members of the NAM S&T Centre will be sponsored annually to

conduct short-term research at JSS STU and its constituent institutes under this Joint Fellowship Programme.

Duration of Fellowship

The maximum duration of the Fellowship would be six weeks. An extension may be considered upon mutual consultation between the visiting scientist and the host institution based on the purpose of the visit/scope of work.

Eligibility

- a) The applicant must hold at least a Master's degree in Engineering (M.E./M.Tech), Science (M.Sc.), Business Administration (MBA) or an equivalent qualification. The applicant should be actively engaged in research and development in the relevant subject areas.
- b) The applicant's age should not exceed 40 at the time of applying. However, if qualifications are equal, younger scientists will be given preference.
- c) Only scientists and researchers from the Member Countries of the NAM S&T Centre and NAM S&T-Industry Network Members will be eligible. Only one scholar from any country/organization can be considered each year for the Fellowship award.

Financial and Other Terms

- a) JSS STU will provide free furnished accommodation and a pocket allowance equivalent to @USD \$250 per month in local currency for the duration of the fellowship to each scientist selected under the Fellowship Programme. JSS STU will also arrange free of cost transport by road between Bengaluru and Mysuru to the selected scientists on their arrival/departure.
- b) The NAM S&T Centre will cover the international airfare of the selected candidates from those Member Countries or Members of the NAM S&T- Industry Network, which have no outstanding dues towards the annual membership subscription to the Centre. Lists of Member Countries and Members of the NAM S&T- Industry Network are available in the Centre's website (www.namstct.org). Scientists from the Member Countries having outstanding dues against their membership contribution can avail this facility subject to the condition that at least the current year's payment will be made by such countries.
- c) JSS STU will provide all the possible facilities and access to various instruments and equipment that may be required by the Fellows for implementing their agreed upon research activity.
- d) Individual Fellows or their governments/institutions will be required to bear the following costs:
 - ❖ All expenses in the home country incidental to travel abroad, including expenditure for passport and visa, required medical examinations and vaccinations and miscellaneous expenses such as internal travel to/from the airport of departure in the home country.

- ❖ Salary and other related allowances during the Fellowship period.
 - ❖ Costs towards medical insurance to cover the period of Fellowship in India.
- e) The NAM S&T Centre and JSS STU will not assume responsibility for the following expenditure in connection with the Fellowship of a particular scientist/researcher:
- ❖ Insurance, medical bills or hospitalization fees.
 - ❖ Compensation in the event of death, disability or loss of personal belongings or compensation for damage caused by climatic or other conditions.
 - ❖ Travel or other costs incurred by the dependents, who might accompany the Fellows.

Submission and Selection of Applications

- a) Filled in Application Form duly endorsed by the Focal Point of the NAM S&T Centre in the Member Country or the NAM S&T – Industry Network Member should be submitted to the NAM S&T Centre.
- b) A “Statement of Purpose” giving a brief write-up on the work to be carried out during the proposed visit should be attached with the application (2-3 pages).
- c) Applicants will be selected on the basis of their professional experience and the statement outlining the purpose of visit/scope of work.
- d) The NAM S&T Centre, after brief scrutiny, will forward the suitable applications to JSS STU for their consideration. The selection process will be done by a duly constituted Committee consisting of Members from JSS STU and the NAM S&T Centre.
- e) In matter of selection, the decision of the NAM S&T Centre and JSS STU shall be final and binding in all matters related to selection.
