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Prime Minister's Research Fellowship

This is to bring to the notice of all the concerned that Government of India has launched an ambitious fellowship called the Prime Minister's Research Fellowship (PMRF) scheme which is aimed at attracting the talent pool of the country to doctoral (Ph.D.) programs of Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Indian Institutes of Science Education & Research (IISERs) and Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) for carrying out research in cutting edge science and technology domains, with focus on national priorities.

Initially the scheme was open to only meritorious students from IISc, IITs, NITs, IIITs and IISERs. The guidelines were revised recently to include students from recognized higher education Institutions in the country to make the program more inclusive.

Following is the link for the PMRF website: https://may2019.pmrf.in/

A letter was recently received from the Secretary of MHRD to the Honorable Vice Chancellor requesting the University to ask the faculty members to identify potential students in the final year, having CGPA of at least 8 and mentor and guide them in preparing projects/abstracts so that they are able to meet the selection criteria. It is also mentioned in the letter that each Institute/ University may include the number of students mentored and selected into the PMRF Scheme as one of the performance parameter in the MOU which is required to enter into with the MHRD each year.

In this connection, all the HODs are requested to call a meeting of faculty and look into this and appoint a faculty coordinator for this purpose to guide and mentor the eligible students and intimate the same to the undersigned so that the same can be coordinated through them. Name of the coordinator may be intimated to the undersigned at the earliest on or before the 9th of September 2019.

