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This to bring to the notice of all concerned research scholars availing UGC Junior Research Fellowship (and Supervisors) that following points may be noted with respect to up gradation to Senior Research Fellowship:

The up gradation to SRF may be done strictly as per UGC guidelines.

As per the guidelines of UGC, the tenure of fellowship is initially for two years under the JRF scheme. Upon expiry of this period, progress of work of the Fellow will be evaluated by a committee of experts. If the progress of research work is found satisfactory, his/her tenure will be extended for a further period of three years under the enhanced emoluments of the Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) based on the recommendation of the committee.

In case progress of research work is not found satisfactory, an additional year will be given to him/her for improvement. However, during this period he/she will be designated as Junior Research Fellow only. In such cases work should be evaluated again after the third year, and if improvement is found, the Fellow will get two more years under the SRF. Thus, the total period of fellowship (JRF and SRF) is five years and with no further provision of extension.

It may also be noted that the fellowship ceases to continue on submission of the thesis.

It has been brought to the notice of this office that, in many cases up gradation meetings are conducted beyond four years and sometimes even after the completion of 5 years period, with a request to release the fellowship retrospectively.

Hence the above instructions may kindly be noted and recommendation of up gradation may be done within the stipulated time period as per UGC guidelines noted above.

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