

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 460**  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.11.2024)

CSIR SCHEMES

460. Dr. V. SIVADASAN:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state: -

- (a) the number of beneficiaries of CSIR Research Grants, Emeritus Scientist Scheme, CSIR Sponsored Research Grant, Grant for Journals and ASPIRE, year-wise, scheme-wise data since 2019;
- (b) the number of awardees or beneficiaries of Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Fellowship, Senior Research Fellowships, JRF through CSIR-UGC NET, (JRF) – GATE, Research Associateships, Nehru Science Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, year-wise fellowship, scheme-wise data since 2019; and
- (c) the amount of funds distributed as, Travel Grant, Symposium and PFA Travel Grant and the number of beneficiaries in each category, year-wise, scheme-wise data since 2019?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF  
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a) The number of beneficiaries of CSIR Research Grants, Emeritus Scientist Scheme, CSIR Sponsored Research Grant, Grant for Journals and ASPIRE, year-wise scheme-wise since 2019 is given in the table below:

<b>Schemes</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21*</b>	<b>2021-22*</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25#</b>
CSIR Research Grants	239	59	183	234	301**	0
Emeritus Scientist	34	31	0	32	0	16
Sponsored	10	10	0	10	0	10
Grant for Journals	0	0	0	0	0	0

\* Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there was a lockdown situation all across institutions and they were closed down and academic activities were restricted and hence number of award under these two years i.e. 2020-21 and 2021-22 were affected.

\*\* Projects are sanctioned under ASPIRE Scheme of CSIR for Women Scientists

# As on November 20, 2024.

- (b) The number of awardees or beneficiaries of Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Fellowship, Senior Research Fellowships, JRF through CSIR-UGC NET, (JRF) – GATE, Research Associateships, Nehru Science Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, year-wise fellowship, scheme-wise data since 2019 is given in the table below:

<b>Fellowships/ Associateship</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024- 25#</b>
Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Fellowship	72	0	50	0	0	0
Senior Research Fellowship (SRF-Direct)	325	234	0	0	362	0
Junior Research Fellowship through CSIR-UGC NET	4622	2247	927	969	2646	1974
JRF-GATE	25	55	27	25	22	23
Research Associates (RA)	109	138	0	0	181	0
CSIR-Nehru Science Postdoctoral Research	11	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5164</b>	<b>2674</b>	<b>1004</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>3211</b>	<b>1997</b>

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\* Due to the Covid-19 pandemic affected the JRF-NET Exam cycles affected as only one exam could be conducted during 2020-21 to 2022-23 and hence number of award under years got affected.

- (c) The amount of funds distributed as, Travel Grant, Symposium and PFA Travel Grant since 2019 is as under:

(Rs. in crore)

<b>Schemes</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21*</b>	<b>2021-22*</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25#</b>
Travel Grant and PFA	3.254	0.549	0.013	1.248	1.374	1.009
Symposia Grant	2.226	0.863	0.217	0.876	0.955	0.975

# As on November 20, 2024.

\* Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there was a lockdown situation all across the world and institutes were closed down and academic activities were restricted across the globe and hence grants under these two years i.e. 2020-21 and 2021-22 were affected.

The number of beneficiaries under Travel Grant, Symposium and PFA Travel Grant since 2019 is as under:

<b>Schemes</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21*</b>	<b>2021-22*</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25#</b>
Travel Grant	896	0	65	458	670	440
Symposia Grant	475	25	165	281	341	139
PFA Travel Grant	139	0	7	67	119	31

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