

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 8
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.04.2016

Research Activities of ICHR

8. SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken measures to develop the research activities of Indian Council of Historical Research and Indian Council for Cultural Research;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government provides adequate funds and facilities for various Research bodies like ICHR to take up more research works;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the funds allocated by the Government during the last five years, yearwise?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) and (b) Yes Madam. The Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR), an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), was established in 1972 with an aim to encourage objective and scientific research in various aspects of history.

In order to promote the research activities in ICHR, the Government had enhanced fellowships in various categories in 2012 as per table below:

Sl.No.	Fellowships	Amount Pre-Revised	Amount Revised
1.	Junior Fellowship	a) Rs. 5,000 for Non-NET & Rs. 6,000/- for NET per month with Contingency of Rs. 12,000 per Annum.	Rs. 16,000 per month with contingency of Rs. 15,000 per Annum.
2.	Post Doctoral Fellowship	Rs. 6,000 per month and Contingency of Rs. 12,000 per Annum.	Rs. 28,000 per month with contingency of Rs. 20,000 per Annum.
3.	Senior Fellowship	Rs. 8,000 per month and Contingency of Rs. 36,000 per Annum.	Rs. 40,000 per month with contingency Rs. 40,000 per Annum.
4.	National Fellowship	Rs. 25,000 per month and contingency of Rs. 50,000 per Annum.	Rs. 55,000 per month with contingency of Rs. 60,000 per Annum.

Total funds allotted to ICHR have increased from Rs. 15.73 crore in the year 2011-12 to Rs. 19.39 crore in the year 2015-16.

The achievements of the Council in the last three years are at **Annexure – I**.

With respect to the Indian Council for Cultural Research, it is mentioned that there is no such organization under the Government.

(c) to (e) The Government has been providing adequate funds to ICHR. The details are at **Annexure – II**.

Annexure - I

ANNEXURE I IN REPLY TO PART (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 8 FOR 25.04.2016 ASKED BY HON'BLE MEMBER SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN REGARDING Research Activities of ICHR.

Sl.No.	Names of grant	Number of grants awarded		
		2013-2014	2014-2015	2015-2016
1.	Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)	77	76	77
2.	Post Doctoral Fellowship (PDF)	08	09	09
3.	Senior Academic Fellowship (SAF)	07	09	07
4.	National Fellowship (NF)	03	0	02
5.	Research Projects Grant (RP)	27	15	26
6.	Foreign Travel Grant (FTG)	67	28	27
7.	Contingency (Study-cum-Travel) Grant (STG)	100	71	95
8.	Seminar/Symposium/Annual Conferences/Workshops	130	59	135
9.	Publication Subsidy	50	51	53
10.	ICHR Workshops	05	05	01 (proposed)
11.	ICHR Regional Centres' Seminars	07	07	01 (proposed)
12.	ICHR Regional Centres' Exhibitions	05	05	-

Annexure - II

ANNEXURE II IN REPLY TO PART (c) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 8 FOR 25.04.2016 ASKED BY HON'BLE MEMBER SHRI PR. SENTHIL NATHAN REGARDING Research Activities of ICHR.

Details of Fund allocated by the Government from 2011-12 to 2015-16

Sl.No.	Year	PLAN	NON-PLAN	Rs in Lakh
				Total
1.	2011-12	675.00	898.00	1573
2.	2012-13	615.00	1054.00	1669
3.	2013-14	696.66	1050.67	1747.33
4.	2014-15	690.45	1069.33	1759.78
5.	2015-16	699.95	1238.92	1938.87