Government of India had instituted a scheme titled “SwarnaJayanti Fellowships Scheme” to commemorate India’s fiftieth year of Independence. Under this scheme a selected number of young scientists, with excellent track record, are provided special assistance and support to enable them to pursue research in frontier areas of science and technology. The fellowship is scientist specific and not institution specific.

Scientists selected for the award will be allowed to pursue unfettered research with a freedom and flexibility in terms of expenditure as approved in the research plan. The project to be submitted along with the application should, therefore, contain innovative research idea and it should have a potential of making impact on R&D in the discipline.

The duration of the fellowship along with the project will be for a period not exceeding five years.

The fellowship is open to Indian Nationals having a regular position in a recognized Indian academic/ research organization. The applicant should possess Ph.D in Science/ Engineering/ Medicine and should not be drawing Fellowship from any other Scheme of GOI.

The fellowship is open to scientists between 30 to 40 years of age as on December 31, 2017. Applications from candidates who have completed 40 year of age as on or before 31.12.2017 will not be considered.

Applications for the “SwarnaJayanti Fellowships Scheme 2017-18” are invited from eligible candidates. Candidates may log on onlinedst.gov.in from 15.02.2018 to access the home page of the “DST e-PMS Portal” for details and submit the application in online mode only. There is no need to send a hard copy.

The last date for submission of applications is March 31, 2018 by 1700 hrs.