Preamble:

The Indo-French Science and Technology Cooperation is more than three decades old. The Cooperation is guided by the Inter Governmental Agreement for Cooperation in the fields of Science and Technology which was signed on 18th July 1978. Department of Science and Technology, Government of India and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of France are the nodal organisations implementing this agreement.

Recognising the importance of the mobility of students between two countries as an important pillar of S&T Cooperation, H.E. Mr. Francois Hollande, Honorable President of France and Dr. Manmohan Singh, Honorable Prime Minister of India have launched the “Raman – Charpak Fellowship” during the recent state visit of the President of France to India during February 14-15, 2013.

The Fellowship:

The fellowship is in honour of Sir C.V. Raman and Prof. Georges Charpak, the two great Nobel laureates in Physics from India and France whose scientific contribution have greatly influenced the advancement of science. The programme aims at developing and strengthening Indo-French scientific cooperation through close collaboration between Indian and French laboratories, by supporting the mobility of highly qualified PhD students registered in an Indian or French research institute/university, to offer them an excellent opportunity for carrying out a part of their doctoral research work in France/India.

On behalf of the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India and the French Embassy in India, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of France, Indo French Centre for Promotion of Advanced Research (IFCPAR/CEFIPRA) invites applications from the PhD students of India and France for awarding the Raman-Charpak Fellowship 2013.

A. Areas for the Fellowship proposal:

- Atmospheric and Earth Sciences
- Chemical Sciences
- Engineering Sciences
- Life Sciences
- Material sciences
- Mathematical and Computational Sciences
- Medical Sciences
- Physical Sciences

B. Duration: 3 months to 6 months

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C. Financial Support:

- Consolidated Fellowship of Euros 1300 per month including accommodation charges plus Social Security charges to be paid in France for the Indian students through Campus France;
- Fellowship of Rs. 25,000 per month to French students plus Accommodation charges during visit to India;
- Air ticket by economy class(to and fro between India and France);
- Insurance coverage (Travel and health);
- Administrative costs for Visa(gratis) and registration (where applicable; e.g; “Centre pour les Etudes en France” (CEF) registration in France).
- Please note that no support will be provided for the family members during the Fellowship period.

D. Eligibility:

- Students must be Indian or French Citizens and residing in India/France only;
- Master’s degree (in science, technology or medicine) from recognized Indian or Foreign University/Institute with First class / grade;
- Registered for PhD in a recognized University/Research Institution in India/France;
- Age not above 28 years as on 31st May 2013;
- Students once supported by CEFIPRA or any other Indo-French bilateral program, will not be eligible;

E. Documents Required for Submission:

- Research work proposed during the fellowship period (Maximum 5 pages);
- Proof of experience in research work (master degree dissertation or research article in national or international journal);
- Curriculum vitae;
- Acceptance letter from French / Indian host scientist, mentioning his/her availability during the visit of the student;
- Reference letters from supervisor and Professor/Scientist(2).
- Academic and scientific excellence -Copies of certificates (Master & Bachelor degree, etc.)
- Proof of age(Any certificate of examination mentioning age /Passport)

F. Application Procedure:

- Apply on line: Application is available at [www.cefipra.org](http://www.cefipra.org). Postal applications will not be accepted;
- It is strongly encouraged to apply early rather than towards the end of the deadline. Please ensure that you submit a completed application. Incomplete applications will not be considered;
- Applications submitted after the deadline, i.e 31st May, 2013, will not be considered;
For further details Contact:

- The Director, Indo-French Centre for the Promotion of Advanced Research (IFCPAR), 5B Ground Floor, India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi 110 003. Tel.No.+91 11 2468 2251.
- Any further query should be sent to: proposal@cefipra.org

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