

## TRG Postdoctoral Fellowship

### Terms and Conditions

1. **Tenure of Fellowship:** 1 year with extensions of up to a further 12 months, with a maximum grant period of 24 months, subject to the availability of funds and the requirements of the project. This is a full-time fellowship.
2. **Extension:** the postdoc shall, by the end of the 8th fellowship month, write a report of around 1500 words on the work done so far as well as provide a plan of work for the next 1 year and submit this to the TRG.
3. **Duties and Obligations:** The holder of the postdoctoral grant will pursue a postdoctoral research project and be affiliated to any one of the five partner organisations, to be decided upon by mutual agreement. Active interest in the academic programme of the TRG is desirable.

Each postdoc shall work closely with one PI of the TRG whose research interests correspond most closely to those of the postdoc concerned and who will provide academic support. A second member of the TRG, whose work is also related to the research project of the postdoc, should also make themselves available for discussion/consultation.

3. **Financial scope of the Grant:** For postdocs affiliated to a partner institution in Delhi and working closely with a project partner at JNU or CSDS: Rs 65 000 per month; for postdocs affiliated to CeMIS Göttingen: € 2200 per month; for postdocs affiliated to partner institutions in London: £2,200 per month. These amounts shall remain unchanged when postdocs need to travel out of the country for purposes of archival or field research. Details with regard to payment of grants will be arranged will be decided on a case by case basis.
4. **Travel subsidies:** The TRG will provide travel subsidies for field work and archival research in India according to the requirements of the project. Visa and overseas medical insurance costs will, as a rule, be eligible for reimbursement, subject to approval by the Academic Coordinator.

**Postdocs affiliated in Delhi:** Transport costs up to a limit to be decided on by the TRG on a case-by-case basis (see Regulations for research-related travel and stipends for TRG Fellows).

**Postdocs affiliated in London and Göttingen:** Transport costs (including the cost of air and train travel) up to a limit of € 1000 for the duration of the fellowship will be eligible for reimbursement. No further costs, such as for local transport, accommodation at the place/s of field or archival research) or employment of research assistants shall be reimbursed.

Reimbursement will be based on actual costs incurred, upon production of original tickets, boarding pass etc. and a written claim for reimbursement (see Regulations for research-related travel and stipends for TRG Fellows).

Only actual costs, subject to the limits described above, shall be reimbursed in all cases.

The Fellow will be expected to discuss such planned archival research trips with the PI he or she will most closely work with and apply for travel subsidies by providing a detailed plan of work to be carried out within the scope of such research travel. The concerned PI shall send a written supporting statement to the Academic Coordinator. All applications for subsidies for research travel to be undertaken in a calendar year must be submitted at the latest by **30 April** of that year. For candidates joining the programme after this date, a suitable deadline must be discussed in advance with the Academic Coordinator.

All applications for travel subsidy are subject to final approval by the TRG.

5. **End of Grant report:** the grant-holder will produce a report on her/his research **within 3 months** of the end of the grant.
6. **Language Tuition:** the grant-holder may be given funding of language tuition in any language which is essential to the research undertaken. The level of funding is to be agreed in advance with the Academic Coordinator.
7. **Publication and acknowledgment of Support:** the Fellow has the obligation to acknowledge the support of the TRG in any publication arising from research undertaken within the scope of this fellowship. Further, the TRG shall retain the right of first refusal over any book manuscript arising from this fellowship, should the TRG launch its own publication series of any form. A copy of any monograph arising from research supported by the TRG must be sent to the TRG/German Historical Institute London.
8. **Contact Details:** the fellow is obliged to keep the TRG informed of their contact details, including address, telephone/mobile number and email and should inform the TRG if these change at any time during the course of the fellowship. This includes lengthy periods of archival or field work when away on long research work. It does not apply when the fellow is away on field work within India, if their home (room/flat etc.) has been retained. The TRG has to be in a position to contact the fellow at any point of time.
9. **Absence from place of research/university:** the fellow is committed to keeping the TRG (Academic Coordinator) informed of any period of absence that exceeds five working days in advance of such planned absence. This applies to absences both for research purposes or for personal reasons. Failure to do so may adversely affect the conditions of award of the grant.

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