

Guidelines for INSA Honorary Scientist Programme

In May 2000 the Academy instituted the “INSA Honorary Scientist Programme” for active superannuated Fellows of the Academy, involved in high quality research in their specialized disciplines, to continue working and teaching in recognized Institutions/ Universities/ R&D Centres in India.

Objective:

To enable active superannuated Fellows of INSA, to continue contributing to research and teaching.

Name of the Programme: ‘INSA Honorary Scientist’

Eligibility:

Superannuated INSA Fellows working in India.

Number of Positions:

The number of INSA Honorary Scientist to be selected each year will be decided by the council.

Tenure:

The term of an INSA Honorary Scientist is for a period of three years, extendable for another two years after a review of the performance.

Selected Fellows have to join within a period of six months from the date of issue of the offer letter.

Financial Commitment:

Contingency grant of Rs. 1,00,000/- per annum will be released in one instalment through the host institution.

The contingency grant can be utilized for purchase of any equipment required for research, including desktop, laptop, iPad, printer, scanner, camera, secretarial assistance, stationery, communication expenses, travel (within India and abroad), airfare, registration fee, per diem, accommodation etc. as per the norms of the host Institute. Items purchased out of the contingency grant will be the property of host Institute on the completion of the programme.

In case INSA Honorary Scientists wish to retain any of the above items purchased out of contingency grant they may pay 10% of the actual cost of the item to the host institute provided these items are purchased within the first two years of the programme.

Application:

Superannuated INSA Fellows may apply online for the position of Honorary Scientist with proposed plan of work and a letter of endorsement from the host institute.

Joining:

Selected Fellows have to join within a period of six months from the date of issue of the offer letter.

Progress Report and Renewal of Position:

Honorary Scientist will submit a report of his/her work in the prescribed format after completion of each year along with utilization certificate and request for continuation of the grant.

Obligations:

- INSA Honorary scientist position will be administered through the organization to which the fellow is affiliated.
- The host Institution shall submit audited statement of accounts and utilization certificate to INSA.
- The position will stand terminated from the date the Honorary Scientist accepts any paid position.
- Support under the INSA Honorary Scientist Programme should be acknowledged in all publications.
- Final adjustment/settlement of accounts should be done within a period of 60 days of completion/termination of position.
- Council is empowered to amend any of the regulations.