

From Financial Pressure to Global Research Exposure: How National Fellowship for Scheduled Caste Scheme Helped PRIYANGA G Pursue Her Ph.D.

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Access to higher education can play an important role in helping scholars pursue their aspirations and build opportunities for academic and professional growth. However, financial difficulties and family pressure can become challenges for scholars aspiring to pursue higher education and research.

Demonstrating how fellowship assistance can support higher education and research, Ms PRIYANGA G, a 27-year-old scholar from Puducherry, pursuing her Ph.D.

Before availing the benefit of the National Fellowship for Scheduled Caste (NFSC) Scheme, she faced financial burden and family pressure while pursuing her dream of higher education. Despite these challenges, she remained committed to research and aspired to utilise the government fellowship for her career growth.

Her NFSC fellowship assistance began in November 2022. The fellowship support significantly eased her financial constraints during her Ph.D. journey and enabled her to meet research-related expenses. She was able to purchase costly research material priced between ₹10,000 and ₹15,000, without hesitation, supporting her research work more effectively.

The fellowship also enabled Priyanga to attend two international conferences abroad, where she was able to gain international academic exposure. She was even able to take her parents along with her, an experience that she stated would not have been possible without the fellowship support. In addition, she has presented her work at more than 10 international conferences held within India.

SUCCESS STORY

NATIONAL FELLOWSHIP FOR SCHEDULED CASTES (NFSC) SCHEME

FROM FINANCIAL PRESSURE TO GLOBAL RESEARCH EXPOSURE: PRIYANGA G'S PH.D. JOURNEY WITH NFSC SUPPORT

NFSC Fellowship support empowered Priyanga G to pursue her Ph.D. with confidence, overcome financial challenges and achieve global academic exposure.

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PRIYANGA G
Age: 27 Years | Category: SC
State/UT: Puducherry | District: Puducherry
Current Status: Pursuing Ph.D.
Occupation Status: Pursuing
NFSC Fellowship Started: November 2022

Priyanga came from a family with financial responsibilities. She faced financial burden and family pressure to dream for higher education. With the fellowship support, she has now become the breadwinner of her family and continues to pursue her research with confidence and dedication.

ADVANCING RESEARCH
The NFSC fellowship has enabled Priyanga to focus on her Ph.D. research and achieve greater academic exposure.

GLOBAL EXPOSURE
She attended international conferences abroad twice and was even able to take her parents along with her, made possible by the fellowship support.

SUPPORTING RESEARCH
The fellowship eased financial constraints, allowing her to purchase costly research enzymes (₹30,000 to ₹15,000) without hesitation.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT RECEIVED
Fellowship support under NFSC Scheme
FELLOWSHIP
has eased financial burden and supported her Ph.D. journey.

TYPE OF ASSISTANCE
Fellowship
Financial Assistance for Higher Education

OVERCOMING CHALLENGES
She faced financial burden and family pressure to dream for higher education.

ASPIRATIONS AND GOALS
Her true commitment to research, not to results. Utilizing NFSC fellowship for her career growth.

POSITIVE CHANGE ACHIEVED
Attended two international conferences abroad and presented 10+ international conferences within India.

FAMILY & COMMUNITY SITUATION
Now she is the breadwinner of her family.

“ This government fellowship (NFSC) has been a turning point in my journey. It has not only supported my research but also given me the strength to grow, learn and make my family proud. — Priyanga G

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EDUCATION CHANGES LIVES. SUPPORT MAKES IT POSSIBLE.

With the support of the NFSC fellowship, Priyanga pursued her Ph.D. while strengthening her research exposure and career prospects. She remains focused on a genuine commitment to research rather than results alone and considers the fellowship an important support for her career growth.

Priyanga G stated ‘This government fellowship (NFSC) has been a turning point in my journey. It has not only supported my research but also given me the strength to grow, learn and make my family proud.’

Priyanga's journey highlights how fellowship support can help scholars pursue advanced research despite financial pressures. From facing financial burden and family pressure while aspiring for higher education to attending international conferences and expanding her academic exposure, her journey reflects the positive changes enabled through the NFSC fellowship.

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