

EMERITUS PROFESSOR (DISTINGUISHED PRACTICING ENGINEER) **FELLOWSHIP**

(I)		Objectives
	(a)	The Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer) Fellowship intends to utilize the expertise of highly qualified and experienced superannuated Engineers who have made undoubtable, unchallengeable, unparalleled and exceptional contribution to the society in their respective fields in any discipline in engineering for the benefit of students/faculty of host institutes & of institutes located in the adjoining areas.
(II)		Eligibility
	(a)	The awardee must be highly qualified superannuated engineer preferably with a doctoral degree.
	(b)	The awardee should be an acknowledged leader (expert) in that particular field of specialization who had been actively engaged in research and development in the field of engineering
	(c)	The awardee should have contributed to the development of society by his excellent field work in engineering in a big way.
(III)		Tenure
	(a)	The Fellowship is tenable for a period of three years or the age of 75 years of Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer) , whichever is earlier, extendable to a person till 80 years with fitness certificate from AICTE doctor
	(b)	On the recommendation of the Expert Committee, AICTE may extend the period of the Fellowship by one year. This extension will be given in highly deserving cases on the basis of a review and specific recommendations made by Expert Committee. Proposal for the extension of the period of the Fellowship should be submitted in the prescribed format, at least six months in advance of the expiry of the tenure of the fellow.
(IV)		Fellowship Grant
	(a)	The Fellowship consist of (i) honorarium of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten thousand per day) for maximum five days for full day interaction with the Faculty/ Students of Host and nearby located institutions in a single trip. (ii) Actual expenses on travel, lodging & boarding and (iii) the honorarium will be over and above any superannuation benefits, the Emeritus Engineers may be in receipts of.
(V)		Procedure for Application
	(a)	The proposals for the Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer) Fellowship will be invited by nomination only. The nominated Emeritus Engineers will be requested to forward their C.V. in the prescribed proforma to Research, Institutional & Faculty Development (RIFD) Bureau of AICTE.
	(b)	The important and significant consideration governing the selection of an Emeritus Fellow will be the level and standing of contributions made by the candidate in the concerned field of specializations, honors and awards received especially during the last five years prior to the applicant's retirement.
(VI)		Processing Methodology
	(a)	The proposals for the Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer) Fellowship will be assessed by a three member Expert Committee comprising of Directors of IITs and/or an engineer not below the rank of Director General (Works/CSIR) as and when the nomination is received.
(VII)		Operation of the Scheme
	(a)	The Proposals complete in all respect can be sent throughout the year on the following address: The Advisor(RIFD), AICTE, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi -110070
	(b)	Incomplete application shall not be entertained.
	(c)	The candidates for the Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer) Fellowship and the host institution are intimated immediately after the approval of the competent authority of the Council. The quantum of the grant approved in the form of honorarium to the fellow will be communicated through an offer letter along with the terms and conditions governing the scheme.

	(d)	The offer of Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer) Fellowship will be valid for the period as mentioned in the request/ invitation letter. In case the Emeritus Fellow does not report to the host institution on the stipulated time period, the offer will be deemed to be cancelled and withdrawn.
	(e)	Following documents need to be provided to AICTE immediately after the receipt of the Letter of Offer for the Fellowship: (1) Letter of Acceptance and (2) 3-5 day schedule to deliver lectures. Only on receipt of the above documents, will the Council sanction the fellowship grant.
	(f)	Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer) Fellowship commences from the date when the Emeritus Engineers joins the host institute to deliver his lecture and interaction with the faculty and the students on the day and time given in the offer letter.
	(g)	AICTE will select ten host institutions spread over in various states all over the country mutually in consultation with the E.P. (P.E.).
		Change of host institution is usually not allowed. However, a change may be permitted by AICTE only in special circumstances.
(VIII)		Operation of Funds
	(a)	AICTE funds are placed at the disposal and control of the host institution, which is entrusted with the accountability of grants.
	(b)	The quantum of financial assistance, sanctioned with regard to each Fellowship approved, is mentioned in the sanction letter as per norms stated at IV above under the caption 'Fellowship Grant'. Grants are released to the host institute in one/single installment.
	(c)	Rs. 20,000/- on account of contingency grant will be released on receipt of the Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate as stated below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate should be certified by the Accounts Officer and countersigned by the Finance Officer/ Registrar/ Administrator of the University / Institution and submitted to AICTE within one month of completion of the Lecturers delivered by the Emeritus Engineers in the host institution. • An Audited Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate duly certified by the statutory audit authority of the Institution should be sent in due course.
(IX)		Uses of Contingency grant
	(a)	The contingency grant of Rs. 20,000/- may be utilized for secretarial assistance, hospitality, purchase of books and journals not available in the institutions, postage, special consumables or other materials essentially required for the work, and for availing the services of technicians/ attendants.
(X)		Feedback From the Emeritus Engineer and the participants
	(a)	The scheme of Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer) Fellowship has a provision for submission of feedback at the end of series of Lectures and interaction by Emeritus Engineers and also by participants in order to find out how best the scheme has met its objectives.
	(b)	Final feedback: Emeritus Engineers is required to submit a Final Feedback to AICTE for the entire duration, in the prescribed proforma at the end of first year and also at the end of the tenure. The feedback should include detailed information about (a) the original objective(s) of the scheme, (b) how far these objective(s) have been achieved, and (c) how the results have benefited the country's technological development. Reprints of papers arising from the work completed under the Scheme should be attached to the Final Feedback.
	(c)	The Host Institution is also required to submit a feedback detailing the benefits occurred to the institution from the Emeritus Fellow, in the prescribed proforma at the end of tenure
(XI)		Terms and Conditions
	(a)	For conducting series of Lectures and interaction by Emeritus Engineers, the following is essential for host institution: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Offer letter of AICTE sponsorship for conduct of the Lectures and interaction by Emeritus Professor (Distinguished Practicing Engineer). An acceptance letter by the institute in response to the offer letter.
	(b)	Funds once released/sanctioned for organizing the series of lectures by Emeritus Engineer cannot be utilized for any other programme.
	(c)	In case the series of lectures by Emeritus Engineer is cancelled, the funds will be returned back to AICTE immediately with interest accrued.