

Call for Proposals for
Fellowship of Nurse Researchers Society for Innovations
(FNRS: 2026-2027)

The NRSI (Nurse Researchers Society for Innovations) invites applications for FNRS 2026. The duration for the fellowship will be for one year. Interested researchers are to apply through electronic mail to nrsiindia@gmail.com Last date for application: 31st May 2026

Eligibility criteria:

- 1 The applicant should be a life member of NRSI.
- 2 Should hold a Ph.D. degree in nursing.
- 3 Should have at least 2 published original research works in peer-reviewed journals.
- 4 At the time of application, the applicant should be 50 years or below of age.
- 5 The candidate will submit along with their applications the CV of the research mentor which should clearly indicate the research work done by the Mentor in the last 5 years. NRSI reserves the right to advice the candidate to choose a new mentor if required.
- 6 It is mandatory that the proposed mentor should be a NRSI member, and have minimum 2 published original studies in peer reviewed journals as 1st author. Any individual who has been a mentor in the previous year will not be eligible to be a mentor in the subsequent year.
- 7 The proposed research study should have clearance of the Institutional review board of the respective research settings. If the IRB certificate is not available at the time of application, the applicant should provide IRB certificate within the first 3 months of starting the fellowship. Failure to provide IRB certificate within the stipulated time will result in termination of the fellowship.

- 8 The metrics on which the candidates will be judged include (but not restricted to) a strong research proposal, and publications record. Due weightage will be given to publication in reputed journals.

Fellowship Amount and disbursement

The FNRS fellow will receive a grant of up to Rs 50,000 as funding. The grant of money will be released in instalments at various quarters of the year of fellowship. (please check the conditions that apply for release of instalments). NRSI will credit the grant amount in instalments to the bank account of the institution where the Researcher is conducting the study.

The fellow is responsible for submission of utilization certificate of the grant within one month of completion of the final work along with Bills and Vouchers of expenses incurred during the period. The utilization certificate should be duly audited and signed by the Chartered Accountant with the sign and seal of FNRS fellow, Mentor and head of the institution where the research was conducted. Utilization Certificate for each financial year ending 31st March has to be enclosed, along with request for carry forward permission to next year.

Procedure for application and fellowship

1. The fee for application is a non-refundable amount of Rs.2000/-. The applicant is responsible to get the proposal reviewed and scrutinized by the mentor before submitting for FNRS grant.
2. In the first phase of scrutiny, an external committee appointed by NRSI will evaluate the proposal for its merit.
3. If the proposal passes the 1st phase, the applicant will present the proposal with the help of a power point at a scheduled date and time through an online platform in front of a NRSI appointed committee.
4. The decision for award of FNRS will be communicated through emails to all applicants.

5. The period of one year will be counted from date of acceptance of the proposal as intimated to the selected fellows.
6. The research fellow has to submit progress reports to NRSI on the 3rd, 6th, and 9th months of starting FNRS in a prescribed format.
7. Grant instalments will only be released after the internal assessment committee is satisfied with the progress report.
8. The final report of the research work should be submitted at the end of one year of fellowship.
9. In case a fellow decides to leave the program midway he/she will have to pay back the drawn amount to NRSI
10. Upon satisfactory evaluation of the final report, the fellow has to submit a manuscript related to the research study to the Journal of Nurse Researcher Society for Innovation (JNRSI) for publication.
11. The fellow has to present the results of the study in the NRSI national conference where he/she will be presented with the certificate of award and the last instalment of the FNRS fellowship will be released thereafter.
12. The FNRS recipient need to acknowledge NRSI support in any presentation and publications that emanate from the proposed research project.
13. NRSI shall be the owner of all the intellectual property (patentable/nonpatentable) generated by the research study. However, there shall be a royalty sharing agreement between NRSI and the fellow inventors, as and when required.
14. Any deviation from the procedure and timeline on the part of the candidate has to be informed to NRSI through email.

Checklist for the application:

- 1 Biographical sketch of applicant and Mentor (Appendix 1, format attached)
- 2 Application for FNRS (Appendix 2, format attached)
- 3 Sketch of the Proposal (Appendix 3, format attached)
- 4 Forwarding letter by the Head of institution where the study is proposed to be done. (Appendix 4, format attached)
- 5 Declaration by Mentor (Appendix 5, format attached)
- 6 Declaration by applicant (Appendix 6, format attached)
- 7 Research Proposal in within 3000 words limit (excluding reference). The proposal should be in separate pdf **without any identification of the applicant attached** in the text.
- 8 Budget (direct and indirect cost to the project) and budget justification that explains the various expenses.
- 9 No objection certificate from the employer.
- 10 Institution Review committee certificate for ethical clearance (if already obtained)
11. Receipt of NEFT transaction paid as application fees.

Account details for payment of Application fees of Rs 2000/

Account Name: Nursing Research Society of India

Bank Name: State Bank of India

Account Number: 10874590078

IFSC code: SBIN0030401

Appendix 1

(Biographical Sketch)

This should be written under the following headings and should not exceed more than 2 pages.

1. Name, Education training (name of institution, year of passing, percentage of marks)
2. Professional Positions held till date (institution, year, designation)
3. Honor
4. Contribution to Research (publications in last 5 years with doi number)
5. NRSI Membership Number

Appendix 2

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Application for FNRS

1	Name of Applicant	
3	Present Designation	
4	Organization of work	
5	Phone number for correspondence	
6	Email address	
7	NRSI membership number	
8	PhD (a). University from where Ph.D. done (b). Year of completion (c). Title of thesis	
9	Master's Degree (a). University (b). Year	
12.	Orchid ID	
13	ResearchGate ID	
14	Google scholar ID	

*All columns are to be filled up.

Appendix 3

Sketch of the Proposal

Title of the proposed study	
University/ Institutes / Organization where the grant is to be administered (<i>please provide complete address along with Pin code, Official phone numbers and email addresses, website</i>)	
Summary Statement (in not more than 50 words)	
Statement of Need (in not more than 250 words)	
Specific Aim of the Study (in 50 words)	
Statement of impact (not more than 50 words)	
Statement of innovation (not more than 50 words)	
Name of proposed mentor with present designation, place of work, & contact details	

Appendix 4

Forwarding Letter

(By Head of Institution/ Registrar in University)

To
The President
NRSI

The.....
..... (Name of the organization) forwards application of
..... (Name of
the applicant) to be considered for funding support for FNRS 2026.

This organization agrees to provide basic infrastructure facilities, make available all its research facilities such as library, laboratory and other equipment and provide the material and managerial assistance required for conducting the research study.

If the scholar receiving the Fellowship leaves our institution to join another institution after part of the sanctioned grant has been received, we would have no objection to the transfer of the project to a new institution, if the Fellow/NRSI, so desires. The institution, however, shall continue to be responsible for submitting the audited statement of accounts and utilization certificate for the grant received by it, for this purpose.

Signature of the Registrar/
Head of the Institution

(Seal)

Name _____

Designation _____

Place:

Date:

Appendix 5

Declaration by the Mentor

I, [Mentor's Name], hereby declare that I am willing and ready to mentor [Applicant's Name] in the research work titled [Title of the Research Work].

As a mentor, I understand and accept the responsibility to provide guidance, support, and expertise to ensure the successful execution of the research project. I am committed to fostering an environment conducive to learning and growth, where the applicant can develop his/her skills and achieve academic goals.

Furthermore, I pledge to supervise the research process diligently, ensuring that scientific temperament and rigor are maintained at all stages of the study. It is my responsibility to uphold the highest standards of academic integrity and to guide the applicant in conducting thorough and credible research.

I acknowledge the importance of this mentorship role and affirm my dedication to fulfilling it to the best of my abilities.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Appendix 6

Declaration by the applicant

I hereby declare that the entries above and in the enclosed Appendices are factually correct and no facts have been hidden by me. If any of the above information supplied by me is proved to be incorrect, my application may be cancelled at any stage of the award and I have to return the grant drawn till that time.

Place:

Date:

Signature of Applicant