



## **AICTE-Distinguished Chair Professor**

<b>1.1</b>	<b>Objectives</b>
	(a) The Distinguished Chair Professor fellowship intends to utilize the expertise of highly qualified and experienced superannuated Professionals who have made undoubtable, unchallengeable, unparalleled and exceptional contribution to the society in their respective fields in any discipline in professional for the benefit of student/faculty of host institutes & of institutes located in the adjoining areas.
<b>1.2</b>	<b>Eligibility</b>
	(a) The awardee must be highly qualified superannuated Professional in his / her field.
	(b) The awardee should be an acknowledged leader (expert) in that particular field of specialization who had been actively engaged in research and development.
	(c) The awardee should have contributed to the development of society by his / her excellent field work.
<b>1.3</b>	<b>Tenure</b>
	(a) The Fellowship is tenable for a period of three years or the age of 75 years of Distinguished Chair Professor, whichever is earlier, extendable to a person till 80 years with fitness certificate from AICTE doctor.
<b>1.4</b>	<b>Fellowship Grant</b>
	(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. (iii) The honorarium will be over and above any superannuation benefits, the Distinguished Chair Professor may be in receipts of.
<b>1.5</b>	<b>Procedure for Application</b>
	The proposals for the Distinguished Chair Professor fellowship will be by nomination only.
<b>1.6</b>	<b>Operation of the Scheme</b>
	(a) The nominations in all respect can be sent throughout the year on the following address: The Director (Faculty Development Cell) AICTE, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070
	(b) The candidates for the Distinguished Chair Professor 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.
	(c) The offer of Distinguished Chair Professor fellowship will be valid for the period as mentioned in the request/ invitation letter. In case the Chair Professor Fellow does not report to the host institution on the stipulated time period, the offer will be deemed to be cancelled and withdrawn.
	(d) 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.
	(e)	Distinguished Chair Professor fellowship commences from the date when the Chair Professor 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.
	(f)	AICTE will select ten host institutions spread over in various states all over the country mutually in consultation with the Distinguished Chair Professor.
<b>1.7</b>		<b>Operation of Funds</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 by means of DBT.
	(a)	Rs. 10,000/- per day on account of contingency grant will be released to the host institute on receipt of the Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate as stated below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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 Chair Professor in the host institution.</li> <li>• An Audited Statement of Expenditure and Utilization Certificate duly certified by the audit authority of the Institution should be sent in due course.</li> </ul>
<b>1.8</b>		<b>Uses of Contingency grant</b>
		The contingency grant of Rs. 10,000/- may be utilized for hospitality, special consumables or other materials essentially required for the work, refreshment to participants and for availing the services of technicians/ attendants.
<b>1.9</b>		<b>Feedback From the Chair Professors and the participants</b>
	(a)	The scheme of Distinguished Chair Professor Fellowship has a provision for submission of feedback at the end of series of Lectures and interaction by Chair Professors and also by participants in order to find out how best the scheme has met its objectives.
	(b)	<b>Final feedback:</b> Distinguished Chair Professor is required to submit a Final Feedback to AICTE for the entire duration. 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 Distinguished Chair Professor Fellow.
<b>2.0</b>		<b>Terms and Conditions</b>
	(a)	For conducting series of Lectures and interaction by Chair Professor, the following is essential for host institution: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Offer letter of AICTE sponsorship for conduct of the Lectures and interaction by Distinguished Chair Professor</li> <li>(ii) An acceptance letter by the institute in response to the offer letter.</li> </ul>
	(b)	Funds once released/sanctioned for organizing the series of lectures by cannot Distinguished Chair Professor be utilized for any other programme.
	(c)	In case the series of lectures by Distinguished Chair Professor is cancelled, the funds will be returned back to AICTE immediately with interest accrued.