

VAIBHAV Fellowship Scheme

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About the VAIBHAV Fellowship scheme:

- The fellowship offers Non-Resident Indian (NRI) researchers an opportunity to work for a **minimum of one month to a maximum of two months a year** with a research institution or an academic institution in India.
- **Duration:** Three years with the government offering the researchers an amount of up to Rs 37 lakh for the entire period.
- **Aim:** Improving the research ecosystem of India's Higher Educational Institutions by facilitating academic and research collaborations between Indian Institutions and the best institutions in the world.
- This is done through the mobility of faculty/researchers from overseas institutions to India.
- **Eligibility:** Researchers from institutions featuring in the top **500 QS World University Rankings** will be eligible for the fellowship.
- The applicant should be a Non-Resident Indian (NRI), Person of Indian Origin (PIO) or Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) and she or he must have obtained Ph.D/M.D/M.S degree from a recognized University.
- **Significance:** The best of Diaspora minds will collaborate with domestic Minds to deliver world-class projects and products.

Q1) Who is an NRI?

NRI stands for Non-Resident Indian (NRI). An Indian Citizen who lives in a foreign country for more than one hundred and eighty-three days in a financial year for employment or business will be considered an NRI.

Source: [Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh launches VAIBHAV Fellowships for Indian Diaspora abroad to mark the National Science Day](#)

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