

ABOUT KVPY

The "Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana" (KVPY) is a program started in 1999 by the Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India to encourage students who are studying Basic Sciences to take up research career in Science. The aim of the program is to identify and encourage talented and motivated students to pursue career in research.

This program aims to assist the students to realize their potential and to ensure that the best scientific talent is groomed for research and development in the country. Generous fellowship and contingency grant are provided to the selected KVPY Fellows up to the pre Ph.D. level or 5 years whichever is earlier. In addition, summer camps for the KVPY Fellows are organized in prestigious research and educational institutions in the country.

The Department of Science and Technology, the nodal agency of the Government has entrusted the overall responsibility for organizing and running the KVPY Program to the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore and set up a Management Committee and a National Advisory Committee (NAC) for overseeing its implementation. A core committee looks after both the day-to-day and academic aspects of the KVPY Program.

ELIGIBILITY

The KVPY Fellowships are given to Indian Nationals only to Study in India (Students holding PIO, OCI Card and students intending to pursue/pursing under graduate program under Distance Education scheme/correspondence course of any university are not eligible to apply).

Students enrolled in an undergraduate course in Basic Sciences, that is, B.Sc./B.S./B.Stat./B.Math./Int. M.Sc./M.S. in Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Statistics, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Cell Biology, Ecology, Molecular Biology, Botany, Zoology, Physiology, Biotechnology, Neurosciences, Bioinformatics, Marine Biology, Geology, Human Biology, Genetics, Biomedical Sciences, Applied Physics, Geophysics, Materials Science or Environmental Science.

Stream SA: Students enrolled in XI Standard (Science Subjects) during the academic year 2015-16 and having secured a minimum of 80% (70% for SC/ST/PWD) marks in aggregate in MATHEMATICS and SCIENCE subjects in the X Standard Board examination. The fellowship of the students selected under this stream will be activated only if they join an undergraduate course in Basic Sciences (B.Sc./B.S./B.Stat./B.Math./Int. M.Sc./M.S.) in the academic year 2017-18 after having secured a minimum of 60% (50% for SC/ST/PWD) marks in aggregate in Science subjects in the XII standard/(+2) Board Examination. During the interim period of one year they will be invited for Regional /National (Vijyoshi) Science Camp and their travel and other related expenses will be met by KVPY.

Stream SX: Students enrolled in XII Standard/ (+2) (Science subjects) during the academic year 2015-16 and aspiring to join undergraduate program in Basic Sciences namely Physics/Chemistry/Mathematics & Biology leading to B.Sc./B.S./B.Stat./B.Math./Int. M.Sc./M.S. for the session 2016-17 provided they have secured a minimum of 80% (70% for SC/ST/PWD) marks in aggregate in MATHEMATICS and SCIENCE subjects

(Physics/Chemistry/Biology) in the X Standard Board Examination and a minimum of 60% (50% for SC/ST/PWD) marks in aggregate in SCIENCE subjects (Physics/Chemistry/Biology) in the XII standard Board Examination.

Students in their 2nd year of study in Cambridge International Examination Board and aspiring to join an UG program (viz. B.Sc./B.S./B.Stat./B.Math./Int. M.Sc./M.S.) in Basic Sciences namely Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Biology in the Academic year 2016-17 are eligible to apply provided they have secured a minimum of 80% (70% for SC/ST/PWD) marks in aggregate in MATHEMATICS and SCIENCE subjects (Physics/Chemistry/Biology) in the X Standard Board Examination. They must secure 60% (50% for SC/ST/PWD) marks in aggregate in MATHEMATICS and SCIENCE subjects (Physics/Chemistry/Biology) in the XII standard Board Examination before taking up the fellowship, if awarded.

Stream SB: Students enrolled in the 1st year of undergraduate program in Basic Sciences namely Physics/Chemistry/Mathematics & Biology leading to B.Sc./B.S./B.Stat./B.Math./Int. M.Sc./M.S. during the academic year 2015–16 and having secured a minimum of 60% (50% for SC/ST/PWD) marks in aggregate in SCIENCE subjects (Physics/Chemistry/Biology/Mathematics) in the XII Standard Board Examination. In the 1st year final examination of B.Sc./B.S./B.Math./B.Stat./Int. M.Sc./M.S. they must secure 60% (50% for SC/ST/PWD) marks before taking up the fellowship, if awarded.

Empowerment initiative in the KVPY Fellowship Program:

1. A certain number of additional fellowships exclusively for the students belonging to SC/ST community under the various streams as stated above will be operated.
2. A certain number of fellowships under various streams as stated above will be operated exclusively for students under the category of Persons With Disability (Physically and Visually Challenged).

FELLOWSHIPS

Basic sciences	Monthly fellowship	Annual contingency grant
SA/SX/SB - during 1st to 3rd years of - B.Sc./B.S./B.Stat./B.Math. / Integrated M.Sc. /M.S.	Rs. 5000	Rs. 20000
SA/SX/SB - during M. Sc. / 4th to 5th years of Integrated M.Sc. /M.S./M.Math./M.Stat.	Rs. 7000	Rs. 28000

APPLICATIONS

Application for KVPY-2015 must be done online only.

- There are three steps to complete your application successfully;
- **Step 1. Registration.**
- **Step 2. Filling personal and academic details, choosing test centre and uploading photo, signature and other certificates as applicable.**
- **Step 3. Payment of application fees. Please note that you must pay the fees only at the KVPY application portal. This can be done either by using a credit card/ATM-Debit card/Net Banking or by downloading a Challan from the application portal. No other means of payment will be accepted.**

The application fee for KVPY-2015 are as follows:

For General Category/OBC: Rs. 1000+KVAT @ 5.5%=Rs. 1055

For SC/ST/PWD: Rs. 500+KVAT @ 5.5%= Rs. 528

These steps are described in detail here.

- It is strongly recommended that candidates read the instructions carefully before attempting to fill the online form.
- **Mock Computer Based Test of KVPY Aptitude Test - click below:**
 - Stream: SA ([English Language](#)) , ([Hindi Language](#))
 - Stream: SB ([English Language](#)) , ([Hindi Language](#))
 - Stream: SX ([English Language](#)) , ([Hindi Language](#))
- An online version of the KVPY aptitude test 2015 will be held in the following cities:

Bangalore, Bhopal, Bhubaneswar, Chandigarh, Chennai, Dehradun, Delhi, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Jamshedpur, Kochi, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mumbai, Nagpur, Pune, Vadodara, Varanasi, Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam

Hard copy version of the KVPY aptitude test 2015 will be held in the following cities:

Agarthala, Agra, Allahabad, Ambala, Aurangabad, Bhavnagar, Guwahati, Hubli, Jammu, Jodhpur, Madurai, Mangalore, Patna, Raipur, Salem, Siliguri, Trivandrum

Important Dates

Opening of online application portal	: 12th July 2015
Last date for closing of online application	: 30 August 2015
Download Admit Card	: 5th October 2015
Exam Date	: 1st November 2015

SELECTION PROCEDURE

Aptitude Test: After scrutiny of application forms and meeting the eligibility criteria for various streams, all eligible students will be called for a written aptitude test conducted both in Hindi and English at different centers across the country on **Sunday, the 1st November 2015**. The details of the venue of the aptitude test for the eligible students and their seat number will be published in the KVPY website during the second week of October 2015.

Admit Card

- Students may download the admit card for the aptitude test from the website from the second week of October 2015.

Interview: Based on the performance in the aptitude test, short-listed students will be asked to appear for an interview which is the final stage of the selection procedure.

Renewal/Continuation of fellowship

Annual renewal of fellowships will depend on the KVPY Fellows maintaining a good academic performance of first class (60% marks) or equivalent grade point average (50% or equivalent grade point average for SC/ST/PWD) in science subjects in aggregate in each academic year in the first attempt. Students who failed to secure 60% marks or equivalent grade in a year (50% or equivalent grade for SC/ST/PWD) will forfeit the fellowship. However, in the subsequent year if they get 60% marks or equivalent CGPA (50% or equivalent CGPA for SC/ST/PWD) on aggregate over all the previous years, the fellowship will be renewed from that year. This is effective from 2012 awardees onward. The student is eligible to receive the KVPY Fellowship up to pre-PhD level or 5 years whichever is earlier.

In addition to the above, participation and satisfactory performance in the Summer Camp in the first year and Summer project every year thereafter is required for renewal of the fellowship.

KVPY Fellows who opt out of the basic science (B.Sc./B.S./B.Stat./B.Math./Int. M.Sc./M.S.) stream at any stage will forfeit the Fellowship and Contingency Grant forthwith.

The fellowship for the students selected under the stream SA/SX/SB will be started after the XII Standard/ (+2) / I year UG, only if they pursue an undergraduate course in Basic Sciences, that are, B.Sc./B.S./B.Stat./B.Math./Int. M.Sc./M.S. in Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Statistics, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Cell Biology, Ecology, Molecular Biology, Botany, Zoology, Physiology, Biotechnology, Neurosciences, Bioinformatics, Marine Biology, Geology, Human Biology, Genetics, Biomedical Sciences, Applied Physics, Materials Science, Environmental Science or Geophysics.

Summer program

Summer Program for the KVPY Fellows is arranged at the Indian Institute for Science Education and Research (IISER) - Kolkata, Pune, Mohali, Bhopal, and Trivandrum for a week.

Other Privileges

Each KVPY Fellow will be issued an Identity Card so as to have access to National Laboratories/ Universities who have agreed to extend special privileges like library, laboratory facilities, etc. to KVPY Fellows on production of the ID card.

Our Goal

We hope that the award of the Fellowship to a student acts as an encouragement and motivation to take up research in a subject in B.S. (Basic Sciences) of their liking that induces the student to choose a research career.

Support Helpdesk Details

IF YOU REQUIRE ANY INFORMATION RELATED TO Application Form,

CALL ON 080 - 22932975/76, 080- 23601008 & 080 - 22933536

Email to application@kvpv.iisc.ernet.in

THE PHONE NUMBERS ARE AVAILABLE BETWEEN 10:00 AM AND 05:00 PM.

* Saturday and Sunday are Holidays.