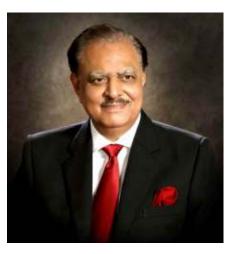
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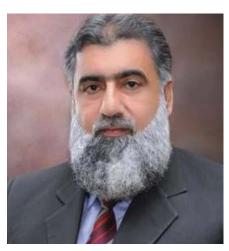
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Allama Muhammad Iqbal, who proposed a separate homeland for the Muslims of the Subcontinent, stressed the need for the establishment of institutes for research on Islam. The chief function of such institutes, according to him, should be 'to mobilize the dormant spiritual energy of the younger generation by giving them a clear grasp of what Islam has already achieved and what it has still to achieve in the religious and cultural history of mankind.' Need for such research was, however, felt more intensively after the independence of Islamic Republic of Pakistan and the adoption of the Objectives Resolution as the ideological framework of the country's constitution. The need to know and explain Islam in depth and to work out its implications for human thought and action in the present-day world was, therefore, self-evident. It is imperative that scholars of Islam engage themselves in serious study and research in the fields of Qur'anic Sciences, Hadith, Islamic Law and Jurisprudence, History, Culture, Philosophy, Tasawwuf, and other Islamic disciplines of social sciences. It is important not only to review their developments in the past but also draw a blueprint for future developments of Muslim thought in order to meet the requirements of the contemporary Muslim societies in a rapidly changing world.

In the light of this rationale, the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan of 1956 under article 197 speaks about Islamic Research Institute as under:

"197-(1) The President shall set up an organization for Islamic research and instruction in advanced studies to assist in the reconstruction of Muslim Society on a truly Islamic basis."

In accordance with this constitutional requirement the Central Ministry of Education, Government of Pakistan formed an organising committee to establish the institute. This organising committee on March 04, 1958 passed the following resolution in defining the objectives of the Institute:

This Institute will be concerned with the study of Islam and its civilization and culture and will promote research in all branches of thought and learning in which Muslims have distinguished themselves in the past and which are of the importance to them in present-day conditions in order to assist in the construction of Muslim Society on a truly Islamic basis.

The content of the article 197 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan 1956 was retained in article 207 of the Constitution of 1962.

In pursuance of these constitutional provisions Islamic Research Institute (IRI) was established in 1960 to develop a methodology for research in various fields of Islamic learning, identify and study contemporary problems, and interpret the teachings of Islam in order to elaborate the Islamic tradition in the modern and contemporary context. The Institute has the tradition of conducting serious research. The research accomplished at the Institute is published in books, monographs, reports, and research journals. The Institute also organizes seminars, conferences, and workshops.

The Institute prepared a large-scale training programme of the researchers in 1962. In the training programme, the researchers were to be trained in various languages as well as Islamic and contemporary sciences so that they could contribute in the research activities of the Institute. However in the past, these training programmes could not be launched as permanent feature of the institute. In view of the significance of the training, now an initiative has been taken for its implementation.

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The Council of Islamic Research Institute in its 11th meeting, held on October 27, 2017 approved the following three training programmes of the Institute:

- (1) Undergraduate Training on Research and Technical Writing;
- (2) Postgraduate Training on Academic Research and Scientific Writing; and
- (3) IRI International Postdoctoral Fellowship

It is hoped that these training programmes will elevate the researchers to a position where they would better understand all dimensions of the Islamic thought, history, and culture. Equipped with such training, these researchers will be able to conduct and produce their own research independently. Furthermore, these training programmes will contribute in preparing a cadre of researchers for the promotion of quality research.

International Postdoctoral Fellowship

INTRODUCTION

IRI International Postdoctoral Fellowship is a one-year non-residential learning and training programme that will empower postdoctoral fellows from Pakistan and abroad by providing them with an opportunity of being in touch with the latest research techniques, skills, methods in a conducive academic environment. This serious research-based capacity-building programme in various fields of Islamic studies such as Our'anic Sciences, Hadith, Islamic Law and Jurisprudence, Islamic Thought, History, Culture, Civilization, Philosophy, Tasawwuf, Literature has been designed to prepare a cadre of capable researchers who can lead contemporary Islamic research. The programme will facilitate the postdoctoral scholars with the applied research activities to produce quality research for publication in Journals having high impact factor. Through various training modules, the fellows will be prepared to handle complex research problems and situations in advanced academic settings. They will also be able to use various research tools. data bases and software that will be helpful in pursuit of efficient and quality research.

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME

IRI International Postdoctoral Fellowship is aimed to:

 engage Islamic scholarship in a sound study and research in the fields of Qur'anic Sciences, Hadith, Islamic Law and Jurisprudence, History, Culture, Philosophy, Tasawwuf, and

- various other social sciences with an Islamic perspective.
- 2. review the achievements of Islamic culture and civilization in the past and articulate a framework for future development of Muslim thought to meet the requirements of the contemporary Muslim Societies in general and Pakistani society in particular in a rapidly changing world.
- 3. contribute to the capacity-building of the postdoctoral fellows so that they can:
 - a. update their research and writing skill;
 - b. equip themselves with the latest developments in Islamic thought to become active facilitators and leaders in research on various disciplines of Islamic thought, history and culture;
 - c. train their students to produce quality research:
- 4. prepare a network of these fellows and their institutions to create an active international community of researchers in Islamic Sciences.

During this training programme, the participants have the opportunity to develop and implement small-scale research projects. They will also participate in the organised workshops, lectures, discussion sessions, field visits, and conferences. After IRI one-year International Postdoctoral Fellowships, the Fellows become the part of IRI Fellows network.

INTERNATIONAL POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

ELIGIBILITY FOR IRI INTERNATIONAL POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

- I. PhD in any discipline of social sciences and humanities related to Islamic Studies, Qur'anic Sciences, Hadith and its Sciences, Sirah, Shariah, Islamic Law and Jurisprudence, Islamic History, Islamic Culture, Islamic Thought, Philosophy, Tasawwuf, Literature, Political and Economic Thought, Education, Law, Comparative Religion and other Islamic fields, preferably within the last five years.
- II. A sound research proposal on any theme related to the specialisation of the applicant.
- III. Preference will be given to those scholars who have already published research in the relevant fields. Merit will be determined on the bases of quantity and quality of published research work of the candidates as only limited number of scholars will be selected for this programme.

BOARDING AND LODGING

Selected fellows have to arrange their own boarding and lodging during the period of their residence in Islamabad. However, Islamic Research Institute will facilitate the fellows in securing accommodation in a convenient and economical place. Inside the institute the scholars will be provided with all necessary facilities for conducting research including free Wi-Fi, utilisation of desktop computers, scanning, printing, and provision of digital data.

DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME

This postdoctoral fellowship will be held over a period of one year in which fellows will participate in workshops in Islamabad three times during the year. Each workshop will run for a period of one week. Between the two workshops the fellows will

be required to work on their research that they anticipate to publish at the end of the programme in one of three research journals of the Islamic Research Institute or any other reputed journal. The fellows will remain in contact with their respective faculty advisors at the Institute.

WORKSHOPS FOR POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

Workshop 1: Orientation, Capacity Building and Research Planning

Workshop 2: Review of the Literature, Analysis of the data and Articulation of research

Workshop 3: Editing, finalization, presentation, discussion and peer review of the research

CERTIFICATION

This Postdoctoral Fellowship stretches over an academic year. Three workshops of one-week will be conducted during the programme. Fellows who participate and complete all the requirements of the programme will be awarded a testimonial certificate as recognition of their completion of the programme.

HOW TO SUBMIT APPLICATION

AVAILABILITY OF APPLICATION FORM AND INTRODUCTORY BROCHURE

Interested candidates are requested to complete the prescribed registration form available along with brochure at:

- I- www.iri.iiu.edu.pk/researchworkshops or obtain its copy along with brochure from
- II- Dr. Muhammad Hamidullah Library, Islamic Research Institute, Faisal Masjid Campus, International Islamic University, Islamabad
- III- Central Library, International Islamic University, New Campus H-10, Islamabad

INTERNATIONAL POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

Following documents are required to be attached with the application.

1-Copy of Identity Card / Passport, 2-Copies of all educational certificates from Matric to PhD degree, 3-List of published research 4-Copy of research proposal, 5-One reference/recommendation letter

SUBMISSION OF FORM

Complete application forms duly recommended by the concerned Dean/Director/Head of the Department along with required documents and research proposal should preferably be emailed at researchworkshops.iri@iiu.edu.pk as an attachment in PDF format or may also be sent through Postal Service to the programme coordinator.

SCHEDULE

January 2018 to December 2018 LAST DATE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS JANUARY 31, 2018

BENCH FEE

The selected candidates will be informed to submit the bench fee of Rs. 10,000/- (per semester) for local candidates and US \$500 for international candidates.

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Islamic Research Institute,

International Islamic University, Faisal Masjid Campus, Islamabad, Pakistan

FOR INFORMATION AND SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORMS

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