



YRDI Fellowship

RASTA – PIDE & Planning Commission Competitive Research Grants

Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE)

Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives, Islamabad

Terms of References

YOUNG RESEARCHER DEVELOPMENT FELLOWS (06 Positions)

The Young Researcher Development Initiative (YRDI) aims to develop the best researchers in the country by providing them an opportunity to work closely with a dynamic team at PIDE. The YRDI offers exposure, practical learning, and research experience to the young researchers (Fellows) at PIDE. It is a competitive opportunity for bright young university (research-degree) students and fresh postgraduates (MPhil and PhD).

Every year, 12 post-graduates/PhD candidates will be allowed to compete and secure a place at PIDE for six months, non-extendable. Each 'Young Research Fellow' will be placed in his/her relevant research section at PIDE under the supervision of the section head and/or at Project Management Unit. This will be a full-time assignment at PIDE in which all Pakistani nationals, regardless of age, gender, religion and ethnicity will be eligible to participate. The upper age limit for all applicants would be 40 years. A stipend of PKR 50,000/- per month (lump sum) will be paid to each 'Fellow' to manage his/her expenses.

The programme invites applications from qualified young researchers for its various research projects for a period of 06 months. The applicants must hold a post-graduate degree or PhD candidates in economics, public policy, or a related discipline. Fellows will be expected to actively contribute to the research agenda of the PIDE and RASTA Competitive Research Grants Programme and provide assistance to supervisors in on-going research projects. Research Grants programme. Their KPIs would include organizing webinars, and events, writing articles, policy viewpoint or knowledge brief, and/or publishing a PIDE working paper etc. Fellows will be encouraged to participate in PIDE webinars, PSDE conferences, events and training courses. During their stay at PIDE, Fellows will be required to pursue their research projects and contribute to the ongoing research drive at PIDE.

It is a full-time opportunity. Applications must be submitted online through RASTA website (<https://rasta.pide.org.pk/jobs/>) within 15 days of the advertisement. Hard copies will not be entertained. Applications after the due date will not be considered. Only shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview.

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