

COMMONWEALTH FELLOWSHIP EMOLUMENTS AND CONDITIONS
OF AWARD FOR 1978-1979

The following is a statement of the Fellowships and other senior awards available under the Plan. Apart from the Commonwealth Senior Medical Fellowships, Medical Fellowships and Academic Staff Fellowships these awards are not open to direct application by prospective candidates and are normally made by direct invitation from the awarding country to the person concerned.

AUSTRALIA

Visiting Professorships

Description: The awards will enable professors from other Commonwealth countries to be attached to Australian Universities for teaching and research.

Duration. Normally one academic year.

Tenure: Normally at one Australian University.

Value: A grant equal to an economy class return air fare from the Professor's home country to Australia. Other costs are met by the University.

Visiting Fellowships

Description: Persons eminent in various fields of academic specialisation may be invited to accept Australian Visiting Fellowships. The purpose of inviting the Fellows is to enable them to discuss with senior university personnel and educationists subjects of mutual interest and to see something of recent Australian developments in their fields.

Duration: Up to three months.

Value: Includes economy class return air fare between the Fellow's own country and Australia, cost of travel within Australia and a maintenance allowance for the period spent in Australia.

BRITAIN

Commonwealth Visiting Professorships

Description: These awards, few in number, are intended for senior scholars of established reputation and achievement in any field including medicine to enable them to visit Britain for research or original work.

Duration: Normally from October for periods of up to one academic year. It is not intended to offer awards for periods of only a few weeks.

Tenure: Normally at the single British university, college or other institution which made the nomination.

Value: Normal emoluments include payment of fare to Britain and return at economy rate and a personal maintenance allowance at a rate comparable with the net salary of a professor of a United Kingdom university. They are normally not subject to income tax in Britain.

Commonwealth Senior Medical Fellowships

Description: The awards are intended primarily to enable senior teachers and in particular those in charge of education to acquaint themselves at first-hand with the facilities available in Britain for the intensive training of their junior teaching staff. They are suitable for Deans and Principals of educational institutions. Full-time professorial departmental heads may also be considered.

Duration: They are held for three months. They are not renewable.

Value: Emoluments comprise air fares to Britain and return at economy or economy excursion rates and a personal maintenance allowance at the rate of £24 a day. They are not subject to United Kingdom income tax. The cost of journeys made before receipt of awards will not normally be reimbursed, nor can fares be paid for a Fellow's dependants.

Method of Nomination: Nominations will be considered twice yearly in February and October. Completed forms of nomination for consideration in February should reach the Commission's office not later than 31 December and those for consideration in October not later than 31 July. Awards to successful candidates can be expected to begin about six months after selection. Nominations may be made only on the forms issued by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission. The following are entitled to make nominations:

(a) the responsible authorities of universities or medical schools in Britain (deans, postgraduate deans and professorial departmental heads) who will be expected to indicate a place of attachment and suggest a programme.

(b) the Commonwealth Scholarship agency in the candidate's own country.

Nominations of candidates permanently resident in India will be made solely by the Commonwealth Scholarship agency in their country. Direct applications from candidates cannot be accepted by the Commission.

Commonwealth Medical Fellowships

Description: These awards are primarily intended for established medical and dental teachers who have already obtained their postgraduate degrees and qualifications but who require a programme of study in depth to enable them to enhance their teaching experience. Applications solely for clinical study will not be debarred provided that the subject is of educational importance, but preference will be given to those planning to undertake research or to learn research methods. Non-medically qualified teachers engaged wholly or chiefly in teaching medical students in departments of medical schools can also be considered. There are no formal age limits but selection is usually made from those between 30 and 40 years of age. Fellowship awards are not intended for those aiming at formal qualifications.

Duration: They are held for 12 months. They are not renewable.

Tenure: Fellows are usually based on one centre but the study programme may be divided between two if this is appropriate.

Value: The Fellowship emoluments (which are not subject to British income tax) include:

- (a) approved air fare to Britain and return on expiry of the Fellowship (the cost of journeys made before receipt of awards will not normally be reimbursed, nor can fares be paid for a Fellow's dependants);
- (b) personal maintenance allowance at the rate of £281 per month;
- (c) approved laboratory fees (when appropriate);
- (d) a grant for books and apparatus of £88 per year;
- (e) a grant for expenses of approved travel within Britain of up to £40 per year;
- (f) an initial clothing grant of £100 for such Fellows coming from tropical countries as are recommended to receive it;
- (g) for married Fellows a marriage allowance of £97 per month is payable provided that the husband and wife are residing together at the same address in Britain. It is not paid when the husband or wife of the Fellow is also in receipt of an award, or is in full-time employment.

For married couples accompanied by their children, a child allowance is payable at the rate of £14, £11 and £8 per month respectively for the first, second and third child under the age of 16, and provided they are residing with their parents. For a Fellow who is a widower/widow or divorced and is legally responsible for the children of the marriage, a child allowance will be payable provided they accompany and reside with him/her.

Selection Procedure: Nominations will be considered twice yearly in February and October. Completed forms of nomination for consideration in February should reach the Commission's office not later than 31 December and those for consideration in October not later than 31 July. Awards to successful candidates can be expected to begin about six months after selection. Nomination may be made only on the forms issued by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission. The following are entitled to make nominations:

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor of the candidate's university or the Principal or Dean of his medical school or college in the overseas Commonwealth country.
- (b) the responsible authorities of universities or medical schools in Britain (deans, postgraduate deans and professorial departmental heads) who will be expected to indicate a place of attachment and suggest a programme.
- (c) the Commonwealth Scholarship Agency in the candidate's own country.

Nominations of candidates permanently resident in India will be made solely by the Commonwealth Scholarship agency in that country. Direct applications from candidates cannot be accepted by the Commission.

Commonwealth Academic Staff Fellowships

Description: These awards are primarily intended to enable universities and comparable institutions in the developing countries of the Commonwealth to enhance the experience of their locally born teaching staff in any academic discipline other than medicine, surgery or dentistry. The awards are not intended for study for higher degrees and a candidate should normally already hold a doctorate and have at least two years' university teaching experience in his own country.

Duration: Normally for one academic year from October to July. The Fellowship is not renewable.

Tenure: Normally at a single British university or comparable institution for a programme of study or training devised by the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom to relate closely to the Fellow's work in his own university.

Value: The Fellowship emoluments (which are not subject to British income tax) include:

- (a) approved air fare to Britain and return on expiry of the Fellowship (the cost of journeys made before receipt of awards will not normally be reimbursed, nor can fares be paid for a Fellow's dependants).
- (b) personal maintenance allowance at the rate of £272 for each complete month of tenure;
- (c) approved laboratory fees (where appropriate);
- (d) a grant for books and apparatus of £88 per year;
- (e) a grant for expenses of approved travel within Britain of up to £40 per year;
- (f) an initial clothing grant of £100 for such Fellows coming from tropical countries as are recommended to receive it;
- (g) for married Fellows a marriage allowance of £97 per month is payable provided that the husband and wife are residing together at the same address in Britain. It is not paid when the husband or wife of the Fellow is also in receipt of an award, or is in full-time employment.

For married couples accompanied by their children, a child allowance is payable at the rate of £14, £11 and £8 per month respectively for the first, second and third child under the age of 16, and provided they are residing with their parents. For a Fellow who is a widower/widow or divorced and is legally responsible for the children of the marriage, a child allowance will be payable provided they accompany and reside with him/her.

Selection Procedure: The nomination of candidates to the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom must be initiated by one of the following authorities:

(a) the Vice-Chancellor of the University, on whose permanent staff he serves in his own country; the Heads of Indian Universities should send their nominations to The Additional Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi 1; nominations from Heads of universities in Bangladesh should be sent to the University Grants Commission, 149 Dhanmondi R.A., Road No. 13/2, Dacca 5.

(b) the Vice-Chancellor of a British university, usually one which has an official link with the university in the candidate's own country on whose permanent staff he serves;

(c) the Inter-University Council for Higher Education Overseas;

(d) the Commonwealth Scholarship Agency in his own country.

In addition, the Commission will be willing to consider nominations originating from the heads of autonomous non-university institutions in developing Commonwealth countries.

CANADA

Under the Plan, Canada grants awards known as Canadian Fellowships, of which there are two categories: Canadian Research Fellowships and Canadian Visiting Fellowships.

Canadian Research Fellowships

Description: Canadian Research Fellowships are intended to bring to Canada from Universities and Research Centres of other countries of the Commonwealth, scholars of established reputation whose presence in Canadian universities is expected to be of benefit to themselves and to their countries as well as to their Canadian hosts. A Fellow will be free to do his own study and research and to engage in other activities for the purpose of building up his contacts with his Canadian colleagues during his stay in Canada. He will normally be attached to a single university during the period of his Fellowship, although the programme might include short visits to other institutions.

Duration: Normally one academic year.

Canadian Visiting Fellowships

Description: Canadian Visiting Fellowships are intended to bring to Canada from other countries of the Commonwealth persons who are prominent in various fields of education, including universities, colleges, primary and secondary schools and technical institutions. A Visiting Fellow will have the opportunity to discuss educational matters with his Canadian colleagues, to advise and be advised on techniques and problems associated with his particular educational interest. It is intended that his visit to Canada will be of benefit to himself and to his country as well as to his hosts. His programme will be flexible but he will remain attached to one particular institution or agency during his stay in Canada.

Duration: Normally from two to four months, although consideration will be given to programmes up to a maximum of six months. The

Fellow will be required to remain at the sponsoring institution or agency for a minimum of one month of the tenure of the award.

NEW ZEALAND

Prestige Fellowships

Description: The awards are intended to bring to New Zealand each year a small number of scholars of eminence to give lectures and to hold discussions with university staff and senior students. The opportunity is also given to Fellows to undertake some research of their own and to foster their own academic interests by visits to appropriate institutions in New Zealand.

Duration: From six weeks to two months approximately.

Tenure: Fellows normally visit each university for an appropriate period, normally not exceeding a fortnight, but longer visits to particular universities may be arranged.

Value: Emoluments include economy class air travel to and from New Zealand, travel within New Zealand and a maintenance allowance of \$NZ50 per day.

Administrative Awards

Description: The awards are intended for promising young administrators from 25 to 45 years of age.

Duration: Tenable up to three months.

Value: The emoluments include economy class return air fare and travel within New Zealand and a maintenance allowance of \$NZ30 per day.