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Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts  
C.V. Mess, Janpath, New Delhi – 110001  
(An Autonomous Trust under Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India)

Dated: 27.12.2018

Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), an Autonomous Trust under the administrative control of the Ministry of Culture, invites applications in the prescribed format for the appointment of a suitable scholar on Acharya Abhinavagupta Chair, purely on contractual basis.

Level-13A, Rs.-1,31,100 –2,16,600 + Admissible allowances.

**Eligibility:**

Post is open to scholars, who have a proven record of scholarship and publications in the study of Tantras in general and with special reference to the analysis of Tantras by Acharya Abhinavagupta.

Age should not exceed 62 years.

**Duration:**

The position will be tenable for a period of three years from the date of the award to the Chair.

**Responsibilities:**

The Chair will be required to submit status of the research report at the end of the first year for consideration of the Review cum Evaluation Committee (REC).

**Mode of Selection:**

- a. The advertisement inviting applications for the Chair shall be published in national newspapers and the advertisement will also be placed on the IGNCA website.
- b. The applicants will be required to send their particulars in the prescribed format (Annexure-I) duly filled in, along with a synopsis of the research proposal.
- c. The proposals received shall be considered by the Performance Appraisal Committee (PAC) which shall recommend a panel of the names to the Member Secretary, IGNCA for grant of Chair. The PAC can consider any other suitable person also who has not applied for the Chair through advertisement. The panel shall be valid for three years.
- d. The person selected, if already employed, may be required to produce a 'No Objection Certificate' from the parent institute for taking up the assignment.

**Guidelines for submission of proposal of research from the Chair:**

- a. While submitting the proposal, the format may broadly conform to the following order of points and guidelines.

- (i) *Title for the Project.*
- (ii) *Statement of the Problem:* In the opening paragraphs of the research proposal, the problem to be investigated should be stated clearly and briefly. The significance of the problem in the theoretical context of the concerned discipline should be specified.
- (iii) *Overview of Literature:* Summarizing the current status of research in the area including major findings, the project proposal should clearly demonstrate the relevance or otherwise of the findings or approaches for the investigation of the problem at hand.
- (iv) *Conceptual Framework:* Given the problem and the theoretical perspective for investigation of the problem, the proposal should clearly indicate the concepts to be used and demonstrate their relevance for the study. It should further specify the empirical dimension, if any, that needs to be explored for investigating the problem.
- (v) *Research Questions or Hypotheses:* Given the conceptual framework and dimensions of the problem, specific questions to be answered and hypotheses to be tested through the proposed study should be explicitly formulated, compatible with the research design.
- (vi) *Methodology:* A suitable description of the methods of research for the study may be given.
- (vii) *Data Collection:* The different types of data which are proposed to be gathered should be specifically mentioned. The sources for each type and the tools and techniques that will be used for collecting different types of data should be specified.
- (viii) *Time Budgeting:* The project should be broken up in suitable stages and the time required for the completion of each stage of work should be specified.
- (ix) *Bibliography.*

**Undertaking for Chair:**

An applicant selected for the Chair will have to sign an Undertaking and Conditions attached thereto separately (Annexure-II)

**Publication of the Research Report:**

The research report will be published by IGNC A after thorough vetting.

**Decision of the Chairman:**

The decision of the Member Secretary, IGNC A will be final in all matters concerning the Chair.

**Closing Date:**

**Applications in the prescribed proforma should be sent to Director (A), C.V. Mess, Janpath, New Delhi -110 001 so as to reach latest by 21.01.2019.**

The IGNCA reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications without assigning any reasons. The decision of the IGNCA regarding selection of application for interview and/or engagement shall be final.

**APPENDIX**  
**TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR CHAIR**

1. The completed research report shall be submitted to the IGNCA within the stipulated time as mentioned in the Scheme.
2. Non-submission of reports at specified intervals may lead to suspension/cancellation of the appointment without notice.
3. The IGNCA has the right to terminate the appointment at any time, without prior intimation, if the progress is found to be unsatisfactory, for any reasons whatsoever, by the Performance Appraisal Committee.
4. No extension of time to complete the research project will be given beyond the stipulated period, except under exceptional circumstances, with the permission of the Member Secretary, IGNCA.
5. In the event of discontinuation of the project for the above-mentioned reasons or for any other reason whatsoever (including personal reasons) by the scholar, he/she will be required to pay back to the IGNCA the amount already paid to him/her along with interest thereon @10% and shall also hand over all the data/material collected in connection with the chair to the IGNCA.
6. After the completion of the study, a declaration to the effect that the project being basically the work of the Chair, the IGNCA is not responsible for factual errors, inaccuracies, inferences, if any, shall be suitably incorporated in the research report by the Chair. The name of the Chair shall be prominently displayed on the cover page of the research report if it is published.
7. The person selected, if already employed, may be required to produce a 'No Objection Certificate' from the parent institution for taking up the assignment.
8. Copyright of the Publication shall be vested with the IGNCA.
9. The decision of the Member Secretary, IGNCA shall be final in all matters.

**ANNEXURE- I**

**\*APPLICATION FORM FOR GRANT OF ASSOCIATE PROFESSORSHIP UNDER ACHARYA ABHINAVAGUPTA CHAIR**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(in block letters)

2. Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(in block letters)

3. Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

4. Address Correspondence \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Tel. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Tel. \_\_\_\_\_

6. Institution with which currently working (with address) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile \_\_\_\_\_



7. Educational Qualifications :(Please specify only three major degrees)  
(Start with the most advanced degree)

<b>Degree/Certificate</b>	<b>Institution</b>	<b>Year</b>

8. Teaching/Research Experience, if any (Attach a separate sheet, if necessary)

Title	Name of Institution	Year

9. Publications : (Attach a separate sheet, if necessary)

Title	Name of Institution	Year

10. Experience in the field of Tantra Studies, if any (Attach a separate sheet, if necessary)

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**Research Proposal**

Please attach with this application the synopsis of the proposed research project, in about 1000 words, to permit an informed judgment by the Performance Appraisal Committee. The research proposal should inter-alia include the following :

- Abstract
- Title, Background and Statement of the research problem
- Overview of Literature
- Conceptual Framework
- Research Questions or Hypotheses
- Methodology
- Data Collection
- Time Budgeting
- Bibliography

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I Certify that the statements made in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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\*The application may be forwarded through the Head of the Department/Organisation where the applicant is working.

UNDERTAKING FOR CHAIR

1. I hereby accept the appointment on Acharya Abhinavagupta Chair offered by the IGNCA (equivalent to Associate Professor for a period of three years purely on contractual basis ) and agree to fulfill all the requirements and conditions as contained in the **Appendix**. I will also abide by the existing rules as well as those likely to be framed in future.
2. I agree to refund the amount of all the expenditure incurred with stipulated interest in connection with the project by the IGNCA if the work for which the appointment has been made is either not properly carried out or is discontinued by me or the draft reports submitted by me are not up to the satisfaction of the Search and Advisory Committee/ IGNCA.
3. I will not accept financial assistance from any other source for undertaking research on the same subject/ project.
4. I agree that the IGNCA has the right to suspend the appointment if I violate/modify/ignore any of the conditions attached to it.
5. I do agree that any recovery from me as provided under Para 2 above may be effected either from me under the Public Debt Act. 1994 ( as amended from time to time) or through my institution at the discretion of the IGNCA Trust.

Signature of the Chair

Signature of Head of the Department/Institution