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NOTIFICATION

Sub: Inviting applications from eligible VTU faculty members to serve as Supervisors/Mentors under VTU Post-Doctoral Fellowship (VTU-PDF), 2026.

Ref: Approval of the executive council, 193rd meeting under Res. No. 8.1 held on 23-11-2026.

Applications are invited from eligible faculty members of Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, and its University Departments/PG Centers/Constituent Colleges/approved Research Centers, expressing their willingness to serve as Supervisors/mentors under the VTU Post-Doctoral Fellowship (VTU-PDF), 2026.

The VTU Post-Doctoral Fellowship (VTU-PDF) is designed to foster frontier-oriented, interdisciplinary and impactful research by facilitating expert mentorship, promoting collaborative research initiatives, and strengthening the University's research ecosystem.

A. Eligibility Criteria

1. The Mentor shall have a minimum of 10 quality peer-reviewed journal publications during the preceding five years in journals indexed in Scopus and/or Web of Science, classified Q1/Q2, and/or ABDC A*/A, as applicable.
2. The Mentor shall have secured research funding exceeding ₹5 lakh through sponsored research projects and/or industry-funded research during the preceding five years.
3. The Mentor should preferably have demonstrated experience in product development involving technologies at TRL 6 or above. Alternatively, a strong track record of publications in high-impact journals may be considered.

B. Research Expertise

Faculty members may indicate their areas of research expertise, specialization and interest in mentoring candidates undertaking research in emerging, frontier, contemporary and interdisciplinary areas of Science, Engineering, Technology, Management and other relevant domains.

C. Submission of Application

Eligible faculty members interested in serving as VTU-PDF Supervisors shall submit their applications online in the prescribed format, along with the relevant supporting documents, through the designated online submission link to be made available on the official VTU website.

Particulars	Schedule
Opening date for online application submission	01-12-2026
Last date for submission	16-12-2026

D. Instructions

1. Faculty members shall submit complete details of their publications, funded research projects, research expertise, product development and Technology Readiness Level (TRL) experience, and available research infrastructure, through the prescribed online application format.
2. All submitted credentials shall be subject to verification by the University.
3. The list of approved Supervisors along with their research expertise shall be made available on the VTU website for subsequent invitation of applications from post-doctoral candidates.
4. The selection/approval of shall be governed by the VTU-PDF regulations and the decision of the University shall be final.

The detailed regulations governing the VTU-PDF programme are available on the official VTU website: www.vtu.ac.in

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1. Heads of VTU PG Centers at Belagavi, Mysuru, Kalaburagi and Muddenahalli.
2. Heads of Recognized Research Centers of VTU.
3. Principal constituent colleges UBDT, Chintamani and Gokak

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