Fully sponsored IBSA Visiting Fellowship Programme

Greetings from the Consulate General of India in Johannesburg!

India-South Africa relations are historic, time-tested and based on mutual trust and partnership. You would agree that it is in the interest and shared benefit of our two countries to exchange knowledge from time immemorial and to re-connect and re-establish communications. In this context, the Consulate General is happy to share that the 3rd Round of the fully sponsored IBSA Visiting Fellowship Programme is now being launched by RIS, with the support of the Ministry of External Affairs.

2. IBSA Visiting Fellowships Programme at RIS is generating interest among research scholars and academicians in its partner countries and the three governments are also giving special importance to the outcome of their research work in fortifying the IBSA Process. IBSA is a unique Forum which brings together India, Brazil and South Africa, three large democracies and major economies from three different continents, facing similar challenges. All three partners are developing, pluralistic, multi-cultural, multi-ethnic, multi-lingual and multi-religious nations.

3. Under the Fellowship Programme, two scholars from South Africa are given Fellowships for a period up to six months. Salient features and terms and conditions are:

(i) The visiting Fellowships are open to research scholars and academicians from South Africa and Brazil having profound interest in carrying out deeper research towards the realization of the aims and objectives of the IBSA Dialogue process in the partner countries. Applications from government officials and journalists who have worked on IBSA may also be considered.

(ii) Selected scholars would be provided economy class return international fares from their home country to New Delhi and back by the shortest route.

(iii) Scholars would also get an all inclusive Living Allowance of Indian Rs. 80,000 per month for the period of the Fellowship.

(iv) Scholars will be provided single room accommodation for the period of their stay in Delhi.

(v) Arrangements will also be made for pick up and drop from residence to RIS and vice versa.

4. Interested scholars are requested to submit their application on plain paper for availing of the Fellowships, along with a copy of their Curriculum Vitae, Passport particulars, a passport size photograph, details of academic qualifications and research experience together with a brief note on the core area of their interest under the Fellowship Programme.

5. The completed applications may be submitted to the Education Wing, Consulate General of India, 1 Eton Road, Park Town, Johannesburg.

6. The last date for receipt of applications is 25 March, 2020.

7. Mr. Balbir Raj Saini, Consul (Education) email cce.jburg@mea.gov.in and Ms. Zanele Ranlane, email: com.jburg@mea.gov.in; Telephone: +27 (0) 11 4828484 will be the contact persons.

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