

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARE SELECTION COMMITTEE 2025-2026

The FARE Selection Committee (2025-26) discussed on December 11, 2025, to consider the requests for FARE Fellowship.

FARE Fellowship Eligibility Criteria:

- i. The student should be currently enrolled in the full-time PhD programme at IIT Kanpur. S/he should submit the thesis no later than 5 years and 6 months from the date of her/his first registration in the PhD program at IIT Kanpur. This period excludes the leave availed on medical grounds for a semester, if any.
- ii. A student interested in applying for FARE must submit an application within three months of PhD thesis submission.
- iii. S/he must have at least one accepted/published research work/paper (or equivalent work) in any reputed journals/proceedings, etc., of the level equivalent to Q1 or Q2 journals from her/his PhD research as first author at the time of application.
- iv. Journal or Conference publication mentioned in the FARE Application should have online references, such as DOI / Weblinks for consideration.
- v. Eligibility criteria for Patent Consideration:
 - Patent(s) must be part of applicant's PhD thesis work, and grant certificate should be submitted as part of FARE application.
 - The patent must have at least 25% contribution from the FARE applicant.
- vi. All the currently registered students of Y18 and onward batches are eligible to apply for FARE.
- vii. Those students of Y18 and Y19 batches fulfilling condition (i), who have already submitted their thesis but have not defended it as of the date of this office order are eligible to apply for FARE.
- viii. A one-time relaxation is being granted to Y18 and Y19 students, allowing them to be eligible for the FARE fellowship if they submit their thesis within 6 years and 6 months for Y18 students and 6 years for Y19 students from their initial registration date.
- ix. The thesis submission deadlines are as follows: Y18 – within 6 years 6 months with 12 months fellowship; Y19 – within 6 years with 12 months fellowship; Y20 (1st sem) – within 5 years 6 months with 12 months fellowship; Y20 (2nd sem onward) – within 5 years with 12 months fellowship or within 5 years 6 months with 6 months fellowship on a pro-rata basis; all deadlines correspond to the late academic registration dates of their respective semesters, excluding summer terms.

Considerations:

- One applicant from the Department of Mechanical Engineering (ME) have applied for the FARE Fellowship. His PhD thesis work has been published in Q1 journal.
- Two applicants from the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (HSS) have applied for the FARE Fellowship. Their PhD thesis work has been published in Q1 journal.

Details:

Ashok Vishwakarma / 19205265 / ME

Findings:

- Title of the Paper: Additive Manufacturing of Iron Carbide Incorporated Bioactive Glass Scaffolds for Bone Tissue Engineering and Drug Delivery Applications
- Part of PhD Thesis Work (Yes / No): Yes
- First Author: Ashok Vishwakarma (Applicant)
- Journal Name: ACS Applied Bio Materials
- Journal Level: Q1
- Published / Accepted: Published
- Date of PhD Registration: 01-01-2020
- Date of PhD Thesis Submission: 24-11-2025
- Total Duration from PhD Registration to PhD Thesis Submission: 5 Years, 10 Months, 23 Days

Avinaba Singha Roy / 19200261 / HSS

Findings:

- Title of the Paper: Navigating Patron-Client Entrepreneurial Networks in Peri-Urban Kolkata, India
- Part of PhD Thesis Work (Yes / No): Yes
- First Author: Avinaba Singha Roy (Applicant)
- Journal Name: Critical Asian Studies
- Journal Level: Q1
- Published / Accepted: Published
- Date of PhD Registration: 01-01-2020
- Date of PhD Thesis Submission: 18-11-2025
- Total Duration from PhD Registration to PhD Thesis Submission: 5 Years, 10 Months, 17 Days

Naorem Nishikanta Mangang / 19200266 / HSS

Findings:

- Title of the Paper: Transitioning away from coal: Perspectives of Indian coal unions on achieving a just transition
- Part of PhD Thesis Work (Yes / No): Yes
- First Author: Naorem Nishikanta Mangang (Applicant)
- Journal Name: Energy Research & Social Science
- Journal Level: Q1
- Published / Accepted: Published
- Date of PhD Registration: 01-01-2020
- Date of PhD Thesis Submission: 03-12-2025
- Total Duration from PhD Registration to PhD Thesis Submission: 5 Years, 11 Months, 02 Days

Committee Decision:

- After due deliberation, the committee recommends Ashok Vishwakarma / 19205265 / ME
- After due deliberation, the committee recommends Avinaba Singha Roy / 19200261 / HSS
- After due deliberation, the committee recommends Naorem Nishikanta Mangang / 19200266 / HSS



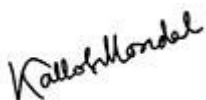
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(ADAA)



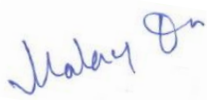
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