

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARE SELECTION COMMITTEE 2025-2026

The FARE Selection Committee (2025-26) discussed on January 27, 2026, 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 Civil Engineering (CE) have applied for the FARE Fellowship. His PhD thesis work has been published in Q1 journal.
- One applicant from the Department of Aerospace Engineering (AE) have applied for the FARE Fellowship. Her PhD thesis work has been accepted in conference proceeding.
- One applicant from the Department of Chemistry (CHM) have applied for the FARE Fellowship. Her PhD thesis work has been published in Q1 journal.

Details:

Shashank Rajput / 20103290 / CE

Findings:

- Title of the Paper: SPT: Obtaining long trajectory data of disordered traffic using a swarm of unmanned aerial vehicles
- Part of PhD Thesis Work (Yes / No): Yes
- First Author: Shashank Rajput (Applicant)
- Journal Name: Transportation Research Part C: Emerging Technologies
- Journal Level: Q1 (Overall)
- Published / Accepted: Published
- Date of PhD Registration: 27-08-2020
- Date of PhD Thesis Submission: 20-01-2026
- Total Duration from PhD Registration to PhD Thesis Submission: 5 Years, 4 Months, 24 Days

Ambica Singh / 20101264 / AE

Findings:

- Title of the Paper: Effect on Radiated Sound Due to Fluidic Injection at Several Downstream Locations in a Mach 0.5 Jet
- Part of PhD Thesis Work (Yes / No): Yes
- First Author: Ambica Singh (Applicant)
- Conference Name: AIAA Aviation Forum
- Conference: DOI / Web Link Present

- Published / Accepted: Published
- Date of PhD Registration: 27-08-2020
- Date of PhD Thesis Submission: 16-01-2026
- Total Duration from PhD Registration to PhD Thesis Submission: 5 Years, 4 Months, 20 Days

Athira P / 20107271 / CHM

Findings:

- Title of the Paper: Robust Synthesis of Terpenoid Scaffolds under Mn(I)-Catalysis
- Part of PhD Thesis Work (Yes / No): Yes
- First Author: Athira P (Applicant)
- Journal Name: Journal of Organic Chemistry
- Journal Level: Q2 (Overall)
- Published / Accepted: Published
- Date of PhD Registration: 27-08-2020
- Date of PhD Thesis Submission: 02-01-2026
- Total Duration from PhD Registration to PhD Thesis Submission: 5 Years, 4 Months, 6 Days

Committee Decision:

After due deliberation, the committee recommends Shashank Rajput / 20103290 / CE

After due deliberation, the committee recommends Ambica Singh / 20101264 / AE

After due deliberation, the committee recommends Athira P / 20107271 / CHM

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