



**COMBAT VEHICLES RESEARCH AND  
DEVELOPMENT ESTABLISHMENT,  
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE,  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
AVADI, CHENNAI - 600054**



**Advertisement No. – CVRDE/HR/JRF/2026-27**

**Advertisement for the Award of Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) - 2026**

Combat Vehicles Research & Development Establishment (CVRDE), one of the premier R&D laboratories of DRDO, Min. of Defence, Govt. of India, Avadi, Chennai – 600054, invites applications from Indian nationals for the position of Research Fellowships as under. Interested applicants who meet the eligibility criteria and wish to pursue research in AFV technologies have to apply in the enclosed format (Annexure – I) within 21 days from the date of its publication in the newspaper / employment news.

**No of vacancies: SIXTEEN (16) - Junior Research Fellow (JRF)**

Discipline	Essential Qualification	Vacancies	Remuneration & Tenure
Mechanical Engineering	B.E. / B.Tech with First Division from a recognized university with valid GATE score  <b>(OR)</b>  M.E/M.Tech with First Division both at Graduate and Post Graduate level	7 (SEVEN)	* Rs.37,000/- per month (Consolidated stipend/ Consolidated Fellowship Emolument)  * HRA and medical facilities shall be admissible as per rules.  * Fellowship is initially for a period of two years and extendable as per rules.
Electrical and Electronics Engineering	<i>(Candidates having Degree from foreign universities should obtain equivalent certificate from 'Association of Indian Universities, Delhi)</i>	2 (TWO)	
Electronics and Communication Engineering	<b>(No allied or equivalent Engineering discipline is acceptable)</b>	5 (FIVE)	
Computer Science Engineering		2 (TWO)	

**I. Age Limit for Candidates:\_(as on date of application)**

Category	Age
i) Un Reserved	Not exceeding 28 years
ii) OBC (Non creamy layer)	Not exceeding 31 years
iii) SC/ST	Not exceeding 33 years

**II. Nationality:** Only Indian Nationals need to apply.

**III. How to Apply:**

a) The filled in application form (as per the format given in Annexure-I) along with relevant documents shall be sent to the following address:

**The Director  
Combat Vehicles Research & Development Establishment  
(CVRDE)  
Min of Defence, DRDO  
Avadi Chennai- 600054**

Candidates sending application by post should write “**Application for JRF Recruitment-2026**” on the top of the envelope.

(or)

The Application Form with supporting documents in PDF format can be sent to email id **pmhr.cvrde@gov.in**

b) **The last date for receipt of application at CVRDE is 21 days from the date of publication in Employment News / National & Regional Newspapers as applicable.**

**IV. Documents to be enclosed**

- a) Self-attested certificates / testimonials for Date of Birth, Essential and Higher qualifications along with mark sheets, and GATE score, caste certificate, etc. If any document/certificate furnished are in a language other than English, a duly self-attested transcript in English of the same is to be attached.
- b) Candidates who are in regular service whether in permanent or temporary will be required to produce a “No Objection Certificate” (NOC) from the Cadre Controlling Authority/ present Employer at the time of Screening & Written Test (format enclosed).

**V. Written Test and Interview at CVRDE, Avadi**

- a) Date, Time and venue of written test (objective type) and interview will be directly intimated to the shortlisted candidates via email only.
- b) Candidates are required to produce original certificates / testimonials at the time of interview.
- c) Written test (objective type) of all eligible candidates will be conducted after verification of certificate / testimonials.
- d) Candidates shortlisted from written test will be required to attend interview at CVRDE on the same day.
- e) The candidates must come prepared to overstay for a day or two to complete the process.
- f) Candidates should make their own arrangement for their stay and transport in Chennai.

**VI. Selection Process / Criteria**

- a) The candidates short listed on the basis of the B.E / B.Tech / M.E/ M.Tech marks will appear for written test at CVRDE, Avadi, Chennai – 600054.
- b) Candidates who do not qualify the Written test will not be considered for interview.
- c) In addition to the above, any other selection tool / test may be administered, at the sole discretion of the Director, CVRDE.
- d) No TA/DA will be paid for attending written test and interview or for joining, if selected.

**VII. Caution**

Misrepresentations or falsification of facts detected at any stage of the selection process or instances of misconduct / misbehavior at any stage during selection process shall result in cancellation of candidature without any notice and no correspondence shall be entertained in this regard.

**VIII. General instructions**

- a) The applicants should ensure their eligibility criteria in respect of age, essential qualifications, etc.
- b) Only those candidates who have been awarded Degree/Provisional Certificate are eligible to apply.

- c) Those who were already awarded JRF position in any of the DRDO Laboratories/Centres earlier, are not eligible to apply again.
- d) No allied or equivalent engineering discipline is acceptable. Similarly, M.E (or) M.Tech Engineering discipline, relevant to their B.E / B.Tech Engineering discipline is only acceptable.
- e) Only candidates applied within the due date will be shortlisted & intimated for further written test and interview at CVRDE through mail.
- f) Shortlisted candidates only have to attend the written test and interview along with a copy of the intimation sent by CVRDE.
- g) Candidates are advised to refer DRDO website (**<https://drdo.gov.in>**) for updates issued from time to time.
- h) Applicants are advised not to change their registered mobile number and email, as vital information will be intimated through SMS / email.
- i) Candidates have to produce all certificates, in original, for verification before commencement of written test. One set of documents (self-attested) to be submitted during reporting time.
- j) Candidates are requested to bring one Photo Identity Card in Original like Aadhaar Card, Driving License, Passport, PAN Card, Voter Id etc at the time of interview.
- k) Candidates belonging to SC / ST / OBC Non-Creamy Layer are required to produce the original caste certificate issued by the competent authority at the time of Interview.
- l) Award of Fellowship shall not be claimed by any candidate as a matter of right. The selection of the candidate will be entirely the discretion of Director, CVRDE.
- m) The offer of Fellowship is purely temporary in nature for a limited period as per the rules in vogue and does not confer any right for absorption in DRDO.
- n) The candidate may be allowed to register for part-time Ph.D with any University / Institution during the tenure of the fellowship on approval of Director, CVRDE.
- o) The research fellowship may be terminated at any time during the tenure with a prior notice of one month. Fellows may resign with a prior notice of one month.
- p) CVRDE reserves the right to amend / modify or summarily cancel this advertisement.
- q) Dispute, if any, will be subject to the courts / tribunals having jurisdiction over Madras / Chennai (Tamil Nadu) only.
- r) Director, CVRDE reserves the full right to cancel the candidature without prior intimation.
- s) CVRDE, Avadi is located 25 kms away from Chennai Central Railway Station and 38 kms from Kilambakkam Bus Stand.

**IX. Important email / Contact details:**

- a) E-mail address for correspondence is **pmhr.cvrde@gov.in**
- b) For any other related queries, please contact 044-26362136 on working days (from Mon to Fri) 0930-1700 hrs.

**Annexure I****Application for Junior Research Fellowship in CVRDE, DRDO**

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Passport size  
photograph

1. Subject/Discipline : \_\_\_\_\_
2. Full name (in Block letters) : \_\_\_\_\_
3. Father's / Husband's Name : \_\_\_\_\_
4. (a) Marital Status (Married/Single): \_\_\_\_\_ (b) Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_
5. (a) Category (GEN/SC/ST/OBC/PH/3<sup>rd</sup> Gender): \_\_\_\_\_ (b) DoB: \_\_\_\_\_  
(c) Age as on date of application: Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months \_\_\_\_\_ Days \_\_\_\_\_
6. Address for Communication: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Pin code: \_\_\_\_\_
- Contact Details: Landline (with STD code) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile No: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address : \_\_\_\_\_
7. Permanent Residential Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Pin code: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Educational Qualification (From SSC/Matric onwards; Self- attested copies to be enclosed)

Exam passed	Subject (s)	University/Board	Year of passing	Division/Class	% Marks/CGPA

9. Experience, if any :

Name of the organisation	Name of the post/Discipline	Period of service		Reason for leaving
		From	To	

10. Whether Qualified in UGC/CSIR/NET/GATE Examinations: YES/NO

If yes, give details (proof to be enclosed)

11. Any other information:

**DECLARATION:**

I hereby declare that, the above furnished particulars are correct to the best of my knowledge and no information is suppressed. If at any time I am found to have concealed / distorted any information, my fellowship shall be liable to be summarily terminated without any prior notice. I am ready, to take up and discharge the duties assigned to me.

Place:

Date:

(Signature of the Candidate)

**Annexure II**

**DECLARATION REGARDING INTIMATION TO CADRE CONTROLLING AUTHORITY (CCA)**

Certified that I, \_\_\_\_\_ am working as \_\_\_\_\_ in the office of \_\_\_\_\_ on \* regular / ad-hoc / contract basis since \_\_\_\_\_ in Pay Band Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ with Grade Pay of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ / on consolidated Salary Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ per month.

Also certified that I have intimated my Cadre Controlling Authority (CCA) that I am applying for the post of \_\_\_\_\_ at CVRDE, Avadi, Chennai.

(\* Strike-out whichever not applicable)

(Signature of the Candidate)

**Annexure III**

**NO OBJECTION CERTIFICATE**

Certified that Mr / Ms \_\_\_\_\_ is working as \_\_\_\_\_ in this office on \* regular / ad-hoc / contract basis since \_\_\_\_\_ in Pay Band Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ with Grade Pay of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ / on consolidated Salary Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ per month.

This office has No Objection to his / her candidature being considered for appointment to the post of \_\_\_\_\_ at DRDO. If selected, he / she will be relieved of his / her duties in accordance with the terms of his / her appointment.

(\* Strike-out whichever not applicable)

(Signature of the Head of Office with Seal)