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#### **Award of grant to Ms Radhika Kumar (PhD)**

Dear Dr. Radhika Kumar,

As one of the coordinators of Thematic Module 5 I am very pleased to inform you that the University of Würzburg is happy to award you a short-term (4 months) postdoctoral fellowship to support your research project to be conducted within the framework of the ICAS-MP project (Thematic Module 5: Gender as a Political Category) of the University of Würzburg and the Max Weber Stiftung:

**Topic:** *Gender, Caste and Political Representation: the case of Dalit women panchayat members in the State of Haryana*

- **Proposed start / end dates:** please specify your proposed dates
- **Monthly grant:** The basic grant is 1.500 € per month. This includes all costs of medical expenses whether insurance contributions or other medical subsidies are concerned. Fellows will receive a family allowance of 100 € per month for the partner and 50 € per month for every child. Accommodation in Delhi is provided. Special needs/hardship allowances (e. g. extra travels home in case of illness etc.) have to be decided on a case to case basis. Money from the funds authorized by the foundation will be transferred to the recipient's bank account and must be used economically and efficiently. It may only be used for the direct and approved purpose.
- **Travel costs:** Travel subsidies of 200 € per month will be provided for field work, archival research and expenses for visiting conferences in India. Reimbursement will be based on actual costs incurred, upon production of original tickets, boarding pass

etc. and a written claim for reimbursement. In accordance with the German Travel Expenses Act, the least expensive travel option has to be chosen.

The Max Weber Stiftung has a Branch Office in India for the purpose of undertaking academic research, which has been permitted by the RBI (Letter No. FE.CO.FID 2334/10.83.4651/2013-14. dated 18 June 2014, UIN: NDBO 14003465). It is located in D 31 Defence Colony, New Delhi 110 024, India (Tel.: 00 91 11 41 500 337 / 336). Should you require any assistance from the Max Weber Foundation, you can also contact this office.

The ICAS-MP project will be located in Delhi, where you will be provided with workspace on the premises of one of our project partners (Institute of Economic Growth or Centre for the Study of Developing Societies).

You will be expected to present your research in one of ICAS-MP's research seminars/workshops at Delhi. Furthermore, once the grant is finished, please send us a 10 to 15 pages report summarizing the research progress you could realize as our fellow.

You will be expected to hand in at least one publication based on the results of your research during the fellowship, mentioning the grant. At least one publication should be submitted to the newly established Working paper series (Occasional Papers) of ICAS:MP (publication after internal review).

As mentioned in the terms and conditions for postdoctoral fellowships (<http://micasmp.hypotheses.org/terms-conditions-for-postdoctoral-fellowships>) "Each fellow shall work closely with one PI of ICAS:MP whose research interests correspond most closely to those of the fellow concerned and who will provide academic support."

You will work together with

PD Dr. Michael Becker, Würzburg University ([michael.becker@uni-wuerzburg.de](mailto:michael.becker@uni-wuerzburg.de))

Prof. Gisela Müller-Brandeck-Bocquet, Würzburg University ([mbb@uni-wuerzburg.de](mailto:mbb@uni-wuerzburg.de))

Please confirm the receipt of this letter and your willingness to accept this grant.

I look forward to your answer.

Best wishes



Prof. Dr. Elisabeth Schömbucher-Kusterer