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WALK–IN–INTERVIEW

Vehicle Research and Development Organization (VRDE) under the aegis of DRDO is engaged in Research & Development in the area of light tracked, wheeled platform.

VRDE is committed to design and develop advanced and reliable indigenous solutions in the areas of Mobility Systems, Wheeled & Light Tracked Combat Systems, Wheeled Launched Systems for Strategic & Tactical Programmes, High Mobility Gun Systems, Wheeled Autonomous Systems, UAV Engines and extensive evaluation & Certification of Military & Commercial Vehicles, by continual improvement and deployment of efficient resources.

VRDE invites young and meritorious Indian nationals for walk-in interview, desiring to pursue defense related research as **Junior Research Fellow (JRF)** in the following field -

Sr. No.	Discipline	No. of JRFs vacancies	Qualification as on Interview date	Discipline/ Branch/ Field acceptable	Document Verification	Written Test & Interview after document verification
1	**Mechanical Engineering**	**05**	BE/B.Tech degree in First Division with a valid Cut off GATE Score **OR** ME/M.Tech with First Division both at Graduate and Post-graduate level	Mechanical Engg Mechanical & Automation Engg Mechanical & Production Engg	**06 Oct 2026 09:30 am to 11:30 am**	**06 Oct 2026 & 07 Oct 2026**

No. of vacancies: 05 *

(* The number of fellowships may increase or decrease depending upon organizational/Lab requirement)

(i) Place of Research Fellowship: VRDE, PO-Vahannagar, Ahilyanagar, Maharashtra – 414006.

(ii) Tenure: Initially the offer shall be for a period of two years which may be extended for further two years period (one year at a time) subject to satisfactory performance after assessment by Review Committee.

(iii) Stipend: Monthly emoluments of Rs.37,000/- p.m. plus House Rent Allowance (HRA) as admissible.

(iv) Education Qualification: BE/ B. Tech in above disciplines in first division with valid Cut off GATE score on the date of interview. Only GATE scores of Year 2024, 2025 & 2026 are acceptable.

Or

ME / M.Tech in above disciplines in first division both at Graduate & Post-graduate level.

(v) Upper Age Limit: 28 years as on date of interview, relaxation by Five years for SC/ST and Three years for OBC (Non-creamy layer) candidates. Caste certificate copy to be enclosed with application, if applicable.

(vi) Nationality: Only Indian National to apply.

Application procedure:

Application form can be downloaded from website **www.drdo.gov.in**. Eligible candidates who are willing to attend the walk-in-interview are advised to send their willingness by email at **kapilpuraswani.vrde@gov.in latest by 27 Sep 2026**. The subject field of the email must contain "Application for the post of Junior Research Fellowship".

Interview Guidelines:

1. Desirous candidates appearing for written test & interview are required to report at VRDE, PO Vahannagar, Ahilyanagar – 414006 (Maharashtra) as per the given schedule:
   i) Applications will be accepted starting from **09:30 am to 11:00 am on 06 Oct 2026.** Candidates arriving late will not be allowed to participate in walk-in-interview process. Document verification of candidates will be done between **09:30 am to 11:30 am on 06 Oct 2026.**
   ii) Written test will be conducted after scrutiny of documents **on 06 Oct 2026.** Interview will be conducted on **06 Oct 2026** and in case of large number of candidates, interview will also be conducted from **08:30 am onward on 07 Oct 2026.** Therefore, candidates are requested to prepare/ make arrangement accordingly.
2. Candidates are required to produce the duly filled application form as per the format provided, along with attested copies of certificate/testimonials w.r.t qualification, experience and caste at the time of walk-in-interview. It is also required to affix recent passport size photograph on the right top corner of the first page of the application. (If any documents/certificate furnished are in a language other than English, a duly self-attested transcript in English of the same to be attached).
3. Incomplete application will be rejected during the screening for eligibility.
4. While appearing for interview, candidates are required to produce all certificate/testimonials in **original** for verification.
5. Candidate presently employed in Government department/PSUs/Autonomous bodies will be required to produce **No-Objection-Certificate** from the employer at the time of interview.
6. Candidate should bring Govt. issued photo ID Proof such as Aadhar Card / PAN card / Passport etc. in original.
7. Carrying of Electronic items like Mobile Phone/Pen drive/Laptop/Smart watch etc. are strictly prohibited inside VRDE campus.

General condition

1. The Director VRDE, Ahilyanagar reserves the right to amend/ modify/cancel this advertisement and also to cancel the admission/selection at any time without assigning any reason thereof.
2. Antecedents of selected candidates will be verified at the time of joining. In case deficiency or any type in the documents, the candidature would automatically stand cancelled.
3. A Panel for the vacancies will be available. Future anticipated vacancies will be filled based on the order of merit. The Panel will operate for a period of one year. Director, VRDE reserves the right not to select any candidate, if suitable candidates are not available.
4. No TA/DA will be admissible for attending the interview / joining, irrespective of the selection.
5. The decision of the committee constituted by Director, VRDE in selecting the candidates will be final and binding on all the candidates.
6. Misrepresentations or falsification of facts detected at any stage of the selection process or instances of misconduct/ misbehavior at any stage during selection process or after selection shall result in cancellation of candidature without any notice and no correspondence shall be entertained in this regard.

Note: It may please be noted that offer of Fellowship does not confer on Fellows any right for absorption in DRDO.

For any Queries, Contact:-
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DIRECTOR, VRDE
Ahilyanagar- 414006

APPLICATION FORM FOR JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

(To be filled by the candidate in his/her own Handwriting)

Affix recent passport size photo

1. Full Name in Block Letters _____
2. Father's Name _____
3. (a) Gender : Male / Female / Others _____
   (b) Category: Gen / SC / ST / OBC _____
   (c) Date of Birth : _____DD/MM/YYYY_____
   (d) Nationality : _____
4. Correspondence Address : _____
   _____
   _____
   _____PIN CODE_____STATE_____
   Permanent Address: _____
   _____
   _____PIN CODE_____STATE_____
5. Contact Details : Mobile: 91+_____&_____
6. E-mail ID _____
7. **Educational Qualification** (10th Standard Onwards:- Enclose self attested copies of Mark sheet / Certificate)

Examination Passed	Subject(s)	Board & University	Month & Year of Passing	Division/ Class/ Grade	Percentage (%) CGPA

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8. Experience, if any [If yes, please enclose experience certificate]

Name of Post/ Designation	Name of the Organization/Dept	Period of Service		Reason for Leaving (if any)
		From	To	

9. Details of NET/GATE Examination (Proof to be enclosed)

Enrollment/Roll No... ..... Year.....Score.....Validity.....

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:_____ **Signature of the candidate**

Date:_____