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Advt No. CAIR/HRT/JRF/2026/02

Date: 06/08/2026

**Advertisement for Walk-In Interview for the award of Junior Research Fellowship at
CAIR, Bengaluru on 19th September 2026**

Centre for Artificial Intelligence & Robotics (CAIR), a premier Institute of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), invites applications from young and meritorious Indian nationals, who desire to pursue cutting edge research in the domain of Natural Language Processing under the following fellowships.

Sl. No.	Name of Fellowship	No. of Vacancy	Essential Educational Qualification	Desirable Criteria	Duration of Fellowship	Age Limit (as on the Date of Interview)
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
01.	Junior Research Fellow (JRF)	01	Graduate degree in professional course (B.E./ B.Tech) in Computer Science/ Computer Engineering/ Data Science/ Artificial Intelligence/ Information Science in 1st Division from AICTE accredited Institute/ University and along with valid GATE/CSIR-NET/ UGC-NET qualification OR Post Graduate degree in professional course (ME/ MTech) in Computer Science/ Computer Engineering Data Science/ Artificial Intelligence/ Information Science in 1st Division at both	a) Proficiency in Design and Analysis of Algorithms b) Comprehensive knowledge of Deep Learning and Natural Language Processing c) Expert in Python programming and experience in utilizing open-source development frameworks (PyTorch, Docker)	02 Years (may be extended further & upgraded to SRF as per rules)	28 Years (relaxation for 03 years for OBC and 05 years for SC/ST/ PH)

			Graduate & Post Graduate level and both from AICTE accredited Institute/ University.			
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Essential Information regarding Selection Procedure:

- i. **Application Procedure:** Eligible candidates are advised to send duly filled Application Form, as per the format provided along with this Advertisement (downloadable from <https://www.drdo.gov.in>), by e-mail **prior** to walk-in interview at “**j.r.f.recruitment.bllore@gmail.com**”. **Last date for receipt of application form by e-mail is 13th September 2026.** A copy of the duly filled Application form should be brought along with complete bio-data on the date of interview. The **subject field** of the mail **must contain “Application for JRF as per the Advertisement No: CAIR/HRT/JRF/2026/02”**. Please note that it is **mandatory to use the specified subject field without any additional prefix and/or suffix**. Mails sent **without adhering to the same** might be **rejected**.
The submission of application over e-mail is only for pre-registration of the candidates. Eligible candidates are strongly recommended to pre-register to reduce their registration time on the day of Walk-in-interview. However, eligible candidates may directly report, without pre-registration, to the Walk-in-Interview within the stipulated reporting time along with all relevant documents mentioned herein. It may be noted that NO separate acknowledgement, over e-mail or otherwise, will be sent for the pre-registration.
Only the eligible candidates as per the criteria mentioned in the Table above (Column (d) & (g)) above need to apply.
- ii. **Date of Walk-in-Interview:** 19th September 2026 (Saturday), **Reporting time: 0830-0930 Hrs**
- iii. **Venue of Walk-In interview:** Centre for Artificial Intelligence & Robotics (CAIR), DRDO Complex, C.V. Raman Nagar, Bengaluru – 560093.
- iv. **Selection Process:**
 - a. On the day of interview, original certificates / testimonials, community certificate, if applicable will be screened. Only eligible candidates will be allowed to participate in the Walk-in-Interview process.
 - b. Written Test will be conducted from 1000Hrs onwards on 19th September 2026 and only qualified candidates will be interviewed on the same day i.e.19th September 2026. Candidates are requested to come prepared for the same.
 - c. The posts will be offered solely **as per the merit list** prepared based on the **performance in the Interview**. In case of refusal of the offer or resignation within one year from the date of publication of interview result by the selected candidate, the post will be offered to the next candidate in the merit list.
- v. **Interview Guidelines:**
 - a. Reporting time is **0830-0930 Hrs** on the date of Interview, at CAIR Main Gate Reception, C.V. Raman Nagar, Bengaluru. **Late comers will not be allowed to participate in the Walk-in-Interview process.**
 - b. While appearing for Walk-in-Interview, the candidates are required to submit duly

filled application form as per the format provided with a recent passport size photo affixed on the top right corner of the first page.

- c. Candidates will be required to produce all original certificates/ testimonials, community certificate, if applicable, in original at the time of reporting. They must also bring ONE set of self-attested photocopies of all certificates / testimonials along with two recent passport size colour photographs. Candidates may bring Project report in support of their candidature.
- d. The candidate also needs to produce a Government issued Photo-identity proof such as Aadhaar Card /PAN Card/ Passport / Voter Id etc. in original and a photocopy of the same at the time of Walk-In-Interview.

General Condition:

- i. Age relaxation is allowed upto 5 years for SC/ST/PH and 3 years for OBC candidates. Those who belong to SC/ST/OBC are required to produce the original caste certificate issued by the Competent Authority.
- ii. **Stipend:** As per rules of the funding agencies, at present Rs. 37000/- +HRA per month.
- iii. **Tenure &Up-gradation:** The tenure of fellowship will be initially for a period of 2 (two) years and may be extended further & upgraded to SRF as per rules.
- iv. Age, Educational qualification and Validity of GATE/CSIR-NET/UGC-NET, if applicable will be considered as on the date of the Walk-In interview.
- v. No TA/ DA shall be paid for attending the interview or at the time of joining, if selected.
- vi. Actual number of vacancies may vary as per Organisational requirement.
- vii. Candidates presently employed in Government Departments/PSUs/Autonomous Bodies will be required to produce NOC at the time of interview.
- viii. Electronic items like smart/ mobile phones/ pen drive/ laptop/ CD-ROM/smart watch etc. strictly will not be allowed inside CAIR Campus. (The same can be deposited in CAIR Reception.)
- ix. No vehicle parking facility will be provided for the candidates. As there is no public parking facility available near the interview venue, candidates are advised to utilize public transport.
- x. Incomplete applications will be rejected during the screening for eligibility. Application Form to be typed in BLOCK letters ONLY as per the enclosed format and submitted.
- xi. Antecedents of candidate will be verified again at the time of joining, if selected.
- xii. The selected candidate(s) may be allowed to register for PhD (External mode) with any recognized University/ Institution during the tenure of fellowship.
- xiii. Offer of award of Fellowship does not confer on the candidates, any right for absorption in DRDO under any circumstances.
- xiv. Selection shall not be claimed by any candidate as a matter of right. The selection shall be entirely at the discretion of the Organization as per the selection criteria.
- xv. The Organization has all the rights to cancel the whole selection process/selection at any time without assigning any reason thereof.
- xvi. Clarifications, if required may be sought over email “**j.r.f.recruitment.bllore@gmail.com**”. The subject field of the mail must contain “**Clarification in regard to JRF Advertisement No: CAIR/HRT/JRF/2026/02**”. Please note that it is **mandatory to use the specified subject field without any additional prefix and/or suffix**. Mails sent without adhering to the same might be rejected.

Important Dates:

Last Date for Receipt of Application Form by E-mail : 13th September 2026 (Sunday)

Date of Walk-In Interview : 19th September 2026 (Saturday)

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For Director, CAIR