

## Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the UK

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## Confirmation of Award - Commonwealth Rutherford Fellowship

Dear Dr. Barua

Thank you for returning the award acceptance form for our offer of a Commonwealth Rutherford Fellowship tenable at Queen's University Belfast. As you have now met all conditions expressed in our Provisional Selection Email, I am able to confirm the Commission's offer of a Fellowship.

The Commonwealth Scholarship Commission in the United Kingdom (CSC) is the body appointed by Act of Parliament to supervise the operation of the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (CSFP) in the UK. The CSC is responsible for setting policy, making selections, and providing general direction. Day-to-day administration is undertaken by the Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), which hosts the CSC Secretariat. The CSC Secretariat is responsible for providing all on-award administration, as well as assisting the CSC with selecting candidates for Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships, securing university placements for them, and supervising their tenure. The CSC Secretariat is also responsible for on-award payments, travel, and welfare. The British Council is responsible for working with our alumni overseas.

By becoming a Commonwealth Rutherford Fellow in the United Kingdom, you are following in a tradition of over 26,000 individuals holding Commonwealth Awards since the scheme began over fifty years ago. You can find out more about the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan, including the names of previous award holders, by visiting our web site at: <a href="https://www.dfid.gov.uk/cscuk">www.dfid.gov.uk/cscuk</a>. Your Commonwealth Rutherford Fellowship is funded by the UK Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) through the Rutherford Fund, with the aim of attracting global talent and supporting the UK's research base.

During and after your award, we will also ask you at various times for information about your progress and what impact your award has had. Please make the most of these opportunities and reply to such requests promptly. Please also help us to publicise the scheme by describing yourself as a 'Commonwealth Rutherford Fellow' wherever possible. The more evidence and ambassadors that we have for the scheme, the stronger our case for ensuring that it continues to receive support.

We are keen that you become involved in the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship community as quickly as possible. At the end of your award you will be automatically enrolled as a member of our Alumni Network. Our Alumni Network and regional associations enable you to stay in touch with other alumni and also current Commonwealth Scholars and Fellows across the world.



The CSC is committed to administering and managing its scholarships and fellowships in a fair and transparent manner. For more information, including the CSC's anti-fraud policy and procedure and complaints procedure, visit <a href="https://www.gov.uk/cscuk">www.gov.uk/cscuk</a>

This document provides general guidelines only and does not cover in detail every aspect of your award. You and your supervisor should always check with the CSC Secretariat about specific issues or if anything is unclear. Regulations may be changed without notice during the term of your fellowship and may apply with immediate effect.

I look forward to your coming to take up this award.

Yours sincerely

O Dr Joanna Newman MBE FRSA Executive Secretary