

Proposal for Mahesh Pandey 2016

Note: This project was taken over by Stanford Chapter in 2014 and a formal proposal was never submitted. This document is based on the document prepared by the Stanford Chapter as the Fellowship stewarding is being transferred to Asha DC.

Background:

- Asha Stanford took up the Mahesh Pandey Fellowship from the DC Chapter in May 2014. Asha DC, in turn, took up the Fellowship back in July-August 2016.
- The fellowship budget for 2016 was discussed during the July and September meetings.
- Mahesh ji has indicated that the Ek Kadam project has lost other funding, and is in dire need of new funds.
- They have done a little bit of campaigning for RTI in the past three years but not a lot like in previous years.

Steward Recommendation for 2016 funding:

- From our correspondence with Mahesh ji, we have decided to fund the maximum stipend of INR 25,000 per month given the gap in Fellowship funding in the past three months. We propose to send a net amount of INR 100,000 for the months of July, August, September, and October 2016.