



## Capacity Building and Human Resource Development (CBHRD) Scheme

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The Union Cabinet has approved the **Capacity Building and Human Resource Development Scheme for the period 2021-2026** under the **15th Finance Commission** Cycle.

- **Aim:** To enhance India's human resource capacity in **Science, Technology, Engineering, Medical, and Mathematical (STEMM) sciences** and strengthen the country's **R&D ecosystem**.
- **Implementation Body:** The scheme is being implemented by [Council of Scientific and Industrial Research \(CSIR\)](#), which is the apex body for scientific research in India.
- **Target Institutions:** The scheme will encompass all R&D institutions, national laboratories, Institutes of National Importance, Institutes of Eminence, and universities across the country.
- **Sub Scheme:** The **CBHRD Scheme** includes four sub-schemes:
  - **Doctoral and Postdoctoral Fellowships**
  - Extramural Research, Emeritus Scientist, and Bhatnagar Fellowship Programs
  - Promotion and Recognition of Excellence through Awards
  - Travel and Symposia Grant Scheme for Knowledge Sharing
- **Significance:** Over the past decade, India's investment in R&D has significantly boosted its position in the **Global Innovation Index (GII)**, reaching 38th place in 2025.
  - India is now among the top three countries for scientific paper publications. This progress is supported by initiatives like the **CBHRD Scheme** by **CSIR**, which fosters innovation through fellowships, research programs.

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