The candidates who are eligible to apply for the PhD JRF 2025 admissions when the portal reopens in February 2025 are those who meet the following criteria:

- a) Candidates holding a valid external Junior Research Fellowship (JRF): These refers to candidates who have a valid external Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) awarded by recognized agencies such as CSIR, UGC, DBT, ICMR and wish to pursue a PhD at ACTREC
- b) Candidates whose names appear in the ACTREC-JGEEBILS list: This refers to candidates who will qualify the Joint Graduate Entrance Examination for Biology and Interdisciplinary Life Sciences (JGEEBILS) and whose names will appear in the official ACTREC-JGEEBILS list in due course of time.