



**Call for Proposals under BIRAC Innovation Fellowships  
for Igniting New Market-led Ideas**



**University Innovation Cluster at Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (UIC-TNAU)  
Supported by Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council, DBT, GoI, New Delhi**

UIC-TNAU acts as a pre-incubation centre to foster innovation and entrepreneurship for young post-masters and post-doctoral fellows. The fellowships are highly competitive and exceptionally motivated researchers including students who have an eye for innovation and drive for start-ups in the Biotechnology sector would be selected for the fellowships.

**Support under UIC-TNAU is aimed to establish and validate market-led ideas in collaboration with industry. Proposals with consent letter from relevant industry are preferable.**

**Who can apply?**

**Applicants who have completed their Masters and Ph.D., on and after 1 January 2014 for post-masters and post-doctoral fellowship respectively.**

**Scope and support of BIRAC Innovation Fellowship**

- ❖ BIRAC Innovation Fellowship scheme supports only upto Proof-of-Concept stage
- ❖ Post Doc Fellowship: Rs 50,000/month along with BIRAC Innovation Grant of Rs 5.00 lakhs/year
- ❖ Post Masters Fellowship: Rs 30,000/month along with BIRAC Innovation Grant of Rs 2.00 lakhs/year
- ❖ Grant period is 2 years, extendable to 1 more year depending upon the progress and requirement of the research project
- ❖ Mentoring support and project monitoring by UIC-TNAU, BIRAC and partnered industry.

**How to apply:** Application form and other details can be downloaded at <https://sites.google.com/site/tnauuicb/recruitment>. Filled in application form should be submitted via post/courier to **The Director**, Centre for Plant Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore 641 003 on or before **15 February 2016**.

**Pondicherry University**

**Centre for Green Energy Technology (MNRE Centre of Excellence)  
R.V. Nagar, Kalapet, Puducherry 605 014**

**Position for Project Fellow – UGC**

Applications are invited on plain paper from the interested candidates for a post of Project Fellow on a purely temporary basis in a time bound research project (MRP-MAJOR-MATE-2013-22019) sponsored by University Grants Commission.

- Name of the position** : Project Fellow – 1 (one)
- Duration** : 3 years
- Stipend** : Rs 14,000 p.m. (for Non-GATE/Non-NET)  
Rs 16,000 p.m. (GATE/NET/GPAT)
- Qualification** : M.Sc. in Physics with specialization in condensed matter  
(students qualified the Pondicherry University entrance examination at Centre for Green Energy Technology or NET qualified will get preference)
- Name of the project** : Fabrication of type II quantum dot structures for efficient and cost effective quantum dot sensitized solar cells
- Name of the sponsored agency** : University Grants Commission

Interested eligible candidates may apply on plain paper, giving bio-data along with relevant certificates to the following address by post on or before **13 February 2016**. Only short-listed candidates will be called for interview. No TA/DA will be provided for attending the interview.

R. Prasanth  
(Principal Investigator)