



Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council
(A Govt of India Enterprise)

Announces **8th** **Call**



SPARSH programme aims at finding innovative solutions to society's most pressing social problems by supporting development of various Products, Processes and Technologies through Biotechnological approaches

Proposals with well established Proof-of-Concept are invited in the following areas:

- **Waste to value**
- **Livestock health and improvement**
- **New and improved agricultural tools**
- **Reducing post-harvest losses**
- **Combating environmental pollution**

Who can apply?

- Companies/Start-ups/Limited Liability Partnerships-LLP (with minimum 51% Indian ownership) are eligible to apply either alone, or in collaboration with another company/academic institution
- Academic Institute, University, NGO or Research Foundation having proper registration/ accreditation from a government body is eligible to apply with one or more partners of which at least one is a Company

How to apply?

Proposals are required to be submitted **online only**.

For scheme details and submission of proposal, please log on to BIRAC website (www.birac.nic.in)

Last date for submission of proposals

11 March 2019

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