



**Government of India
Department of Biotechnology
Ministry of Science and Technology**

TATA INNOVATION FELLOWSHIP: 2019–20

Applications are invited for 'Tata Innovation Fellowship', a highly competitive scheme instituted by the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt of India to recognize and reward scientists with outstanding track record in Biological Sciences/Biotechnology to find innovative solutions to major problems in health care, agriculture, environment and other allied areas related to life sciences and biotechnology.

Eligibility

- (i) The fellowship is open to Indian nationals residing in India who are below the age of 55 years as 31 December 2019. The fellowship is co-terminus with the superannuation of fellow in his/her organization.
- (ii) The applicant should possess a Ph.D. degree in Life Sciences, Agriculture, Veterinary Science or a Master's degree in Medical Sciences, Engineering or an equivalent degree in Biotechnology/related areas. The applicant must have outstanding contribution and publication in the specific area.
- (iii) The candidate must have a regular permanent position in a University/Institute/Organization and should be engaged in research and development. If he/she is availing any other fellowship, he/she will have to opt for only one of the fellowships.
- (iv) The applicant should have spent at least 5 years in India before applying for the fellowship.
- (v) Evidence of outstanding track record and a deep commitment to find innovative solutions to major problems in health care, agriculture and other areas related to life sciences and biotechnology.

Nature of support

- (i) The amount of the fellowship is Rs 25,000 per month in addition to regular salary from the host institute. If an awardee is receiving salary from an international organization, he/she will be entitled for research grant, i.e. contingency only.
- (ii) In addition, each Fellow will receive a contingency grant of Rs 6.00 lakh per annum for meeting the expenses on consumables, equipment, international and domestic travel, manpower and other contingent expenditure to be incurred in connection with the implementation of ongoing research project under the fellowship.

Number: Five per year.

How to apply

For application format and submission details, please visit DBT website (<http://www.dbtindia.gov.in>). Application (2 hard copies) duly forwarded by the competent authority of host Institute should be sent to **Dr Kakali Dey Dasgupta**, Scientist 'E', Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Room No. 729, 7th Floor, Block-2, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi 110 003, **not later than 31 December 2019**. Softcopy of application in the prescribed proforma should be **mandatorily submitted online** through DBT ePromis portal ([url: http://www.dbtpromis.nic.in](http://www.dbtpromis.nic.in)) on or before **31 December 2019**.