

DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
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STA Fellowship Programme-2000
(Post doctoral Fellowships in Japanese National Laboratories)

Department of Science and Technology (DST), a Responsible Organization (RO) of India for STA Fellowship Programme-2000 of Science & Technology Agency (STA) of Japan, invites applications from promising and qualified Indian researchers for Postdoctoral Fellowships to conduct research at Japan's national laboratories and research corporations (excluding universities and university-affiliated institutes). List of such host institutes along with full address and contact numbers is provided with the application materials.

There are 8 long-term (6 months to 2 years) fellowships and 8 short-term (1-3 months) fellowships to be nominated by DST. The date of commencement of fellowship should be between 1 October 2000 and 31 March 2001. The exact duration, dates and topic/field of research should be decided upon through negotiation between the candidate and the host institute.

Fields of Research: All fields of science and technology, except social sciences, humanities.

Eligibility requirements: The Applicant should: (a) be an Indian citizen holding a Ph.D. degree and be affiliated to any university or research organization/institute or industry conducting research in India, but not from a military establishment; (b) be under 35 years of age for long-term fellowship and Ph.D. should have been received within last six years (no such limit for short-term fellowship); (c) be of sufficient good health to pursue research activities in Japan; and (d) have sufficient language ability to pursue research activities in Japan, Japanese language ability is preferable, but English is sufficient in most cases.

Fellowship Awards: Japan Science and Technology Corporation (JST) provides fellows with the following support:

(i) *For Long-Term Fellows:* (a) A round-trip air ticket (economy class; not available for dependents); (b) A monthly living allowance: Yen 270,000; (c) Family allowance at a flat rate of Yen 500,000 a month if Fellows are accompanied by one or more dependents during their tenure; (d) An initial international settling-in allowance of up to Yen 200,000; (e) An annual allowance of up to Yen 115,000 for travel within Japan related to research activities; (f) Accommodation as per JST norms; and (g) Medical insurance (not available for dependents).

(ii) *For Short-Term Fellows:* A round-trip air ticket (economy class; not available for dependents); (b) Yen 15,000 Per Diem for the duration of the Fellowship to cover living expenses, initial moving costs, research related travelling within Japan and housing costs; and (c) Medical insurance (not available for dependents).

Contact address: Application materials can be obtained by sending a request in an envelope inscribed 'STA Fellowships 2000' to the following address along with a self-addressed unstamped envelope (slightly bigger than A4 size):

The Under Secretary, International Division, Department of Science & Technology,
New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi 110 016

The application forms may also be obtained by sending e-mail to rajivdst@hotmail.com. In this case the material would be sent as attachment to e-mail in MSWord file and not by post.

Forms available from DST: 1-28 April 2000
Deadline for submission of applications to DST: 31 May 2000