



**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**  
**PROGRAMME ON CONDENSED MATTER PHYSICS AND MATERIALS SCIENCE**

**CALL FOR PRELIMINARY PROPOSALS**

On the recommendations of the Programme Advisory Committee, DST has decided to undertake a special and focused exercise to rejuvenate and intensify research activities initially in the following areas (with others to be taken up later) especially in universities and colleges. It is planned to organize Interaction Meetings between prospective project investigators and established scientists in the field to evolve viable research proposals of contemporary interest for consideration of possible funding under the SERC Programme.

Scientists desirous of evolving their ideas into viable research proposals through this exercise may submit a 2 to 3-page-long Preliminary Proposal by 15 December 2002 outlining only the scientific objectives and methodology to the Area Coordinators indicated below with a copy to the DST contact person.

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