

**Government of India  
Ministry of Science and Technology  
Department of Biotechnology (DBT)**

## **Award of Biotechnology Overseas Associateship: 2005–06**

Applications are invited from Indian Nationals for the award of Biotechnology Overseas Associateship (2005–2006) for conducting advanced research or undergoing specialised research training in overseas research institutions/laboratories in the priority areas of Biotechnology such as (i) Basic Research in New Biology and Biotechnology including: genomics, proteomics, stem cell research, bioinformatics and basic biological phenomena with potential application; (ii) Agriculture and plant biotechnology; (iii) Environmental biotechnology, Molecular tools; (iv) Medical Biotechnology; (v) Bioprocess, product development and bioinstrumentation; (vi) Animal biotechnology; (vii) Aquaculture and Marine Biotechnology.

### **Basic qualifications required**

Applicant should possess a Ph.D./M.D. degree in the area related to biotechnology, life sciences with a good record of research contribution in his/her field of research. They should hold regular/permanent positions in Government recognized research and academic institutions/universities and should be actively engaged in biotechnology R&D work. Applications from persons working on temporary positions such as research fellows of associates, etc. will not be considered.

### **Details of the award**

(1) Two categories of Associateships, namely, long-term and short-term associateships are awarded. (2) The long-term Associateship is awarded for a period of one year only and it is not extendable. The short-term Associateship is normally awarded for three months. However, the short-term Associateship may be awarded for a maximum period up to six months in cases where a longer duration is necessary and justified. (3) The long-term Associates are entitled to (a) Monthly Associateship @ US \$2000/- or its equivalent in the country of study; (b) Preparatory allowance of Rs 12,000/- (one time grant); (c) Cost of air passage in economy class of Air India for joining the overseas laboratory and back. (4) The short-term Associates are entitled to (a) Monthly Associateship @ US\$ 2400/- or its equivalent in the country of study; (b) Preparatory allowance of Rs 10,000/- (one time grant); (c) Cost of air passage for joining the overseas laboratory and back. (5) The selected candidates may receive the payment of salary and continuance of other service benefits by the institutions to which they belong. However, no liability on any of this account will be borne by DBT. (6) Selected candidates shall be required to execute a Service Bond to serve in India after their return to India for a period of 1 to 3 year depending upon the duration/category of the Associateship awarded.

Candidates should submit their application (only one copy) typed on plain paper complete with enclosures in the format given below through proper channel to the **International Collaboration Division (Attention: Dr Shailja Vaidya Gupta, Principal Scientific Officer), Department of Biotechnology, Block-2, 6th Floor, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi 110 003 on or before 15 March 2006.**

Age limit: (a) Long-term Associateship: not exceeding 40 years.  
(b) Short-term Associateship: not exceeding 50 years.

Candidates should not have crossed the above prescribed age limit as on the last date for receipt of applications. The above prescribed age limits will not be relaxed.