

University of Pune Refresher course in Life sciences

At Vidya Pratishthan's School of Biotechnology, Baramati, Maharashtra

Applications are invited in a prescribed format for **Refresher course** in Life sciences, '**Concepts in Biotechnology – Theory and Practice**' at Vidya Pratishthan's School of Biotechnology, Baramati.

Duly filled application should reach the Academic Staff College, University of Pune or The Director before **1 December 2008 commencement of the course**. (Electronic submission will be accepted).

Eligibility: Undergraduate College Teachers holding regular position and teaching life sciences or Biotechnology, from colleges affiliated to any Recognized University.

Number of participants is limited to 25

Interested College Teachers should forward their application along with biodata through proper channel to the following address so as to reach on or before **1 December 2008**. Application can be downloaded from the University website www.unipune.ernet.in

Date: 2/12/2008 to 22/12/2008

Place: Vidya Pratishthan, Baramati.

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INDIA SCIENCE AWARD – 2009

1. Background

The India Science Award is envisaged to be the highest and most prestigious national recognition for outstanding contribution to Science. It will be given for a 'big' achievement and the benchmark will be 'global'. It will cover all areas of research in science including engineering, medicine and agriculture.

The award amount will be Rs 25 lakhs.

2. Who should the Award be given to:

The Award will be given to a scientist, without any age limit, for major contribution(s) of a path-breaking nature and based on work primarily done in India. It will not be given to groups or institutions.

If more than one nomination is found suitable for the award in a year, a maximum of two awards could be given. However, if there is no suitable nomination for the award in a year, the award will not be given.

3. Nomination:

- **Nominations will be solicited from the fellows of all the six national academies of science, engineering, agriculture and medicine. They must do so on a personal and not institutional basis.** This right (to nominate) is assigned to an individual. Nominators will be from the different disciplines covered by the Award.
- **The nomination once made will be valid for a period of 3 years.**

4. Criteria for the Award:

The primary and essential criterion should be demonstrated and widely accepted Excellence in Science. The work should have opened a new window of opportunity in the field and must have exceptional originality and demonstrate deep insight of the subject, and not be just voluminous work of an imitative or repetitive nature. In the case of an individual who fulfils this requirement, other aspects like contribution to the growth of science in the country would be regarded as important. This would be a desirable, but not necessary criterion.