Advt No. 02/2013

Applications are invited for Birbal Sahni Research Scholars (BSRSs) tenable at the Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany, Lucknow.

Minimum qualifications, experience and age limit

M.Sc. or recognized equivalent qualification with a first division in Biosciences/Geology/Physics/Chemistry or an allied relevant discipline in Earth Sciences. Preference will be given to CSIR/UGC/NET qualified candidates.

Age limit: 28 years as on 1 April 2013. A relaxation of age-limit up to 3 years may be considered by the competent authority in the case of applicants who are suitably qualified and have research training/teaching experience in relevant discipline. In the case of applicants of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/Other Backward Classes, age relaxation up to 5 years may be allowed. For PH candidates, the age relaxation will be applicable as per Government of India rules.

Desirable qualifications

In addition to the prescribed minimum qualifications, the candidate should have a consistently good academic record.

Number of scholarships

07 (including 05 scholarship advertised vide Advertisement No. 04/2012).

General conditions

1. The tenure of the Birbal Sahni Research Scholar is two years. The Research Scholar shall be entitled to a scholarship amount of Rs 16,000 p.m. during the first and second year. After two years, the progress report of the Research Scholar will be assessed along with publications/accepted research papers, research reports, etc. by a Committee constituted by the Director. If found satisfactory, the Research Scholar may be allowed to continue for the third year with an increased scholarship amount of Rs 18,000 p.m.

2. Only the Indian citizens normally residing in India are eligible for the research scholarships.

3. Mere fulfilling of the minimum advertised qualification does not automatically entitle an applicant to be called for test and/or interview.

4. All the applications received within the due date in response to this advertisement shall be considered for short listing by a Screening Committee and only the candidates recommended by the Screening Committee will be called for test and/or interview. The decision of the Institute on short-listing will be final and the Institute will not entertain any correspondence in this respect.

5. The number of scholarships to be offered may vary.

6. The award of scholarship shall not imply any assurance or guarantee for subsequent employment at the Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany, Lucknow.

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7. Usual infrastructure facilities for research purpose will be provided by the Institute. The nomination of the Supervisor and Co-Supervisor (if need be) for Birbal Sahni Research Scholar and the placement of the Birbal Sahni Research Scholar in various Projects/Departments will be made by the Director.

8. HRA and medical benefits may be allowed as per the Staff Rules of the Institute.

9. No Research Scholar will be allowed to discontinue his/her scholarship without prior approval of the Institute.

10. Each Research Scholar will have to sign an agreement along with the terms and conditions with the Institute for the award of Birbal Sahni Research Scholarship to him/her before joining.

11. Those candidates who have applied for Birbal Sahni Research Scholarship against our Advertisement No. 04/2012 need not apply again. Their applications will be considered by the Institute along with the applications received against this advertisement.

12. For further details visit us at www.bsip.res.in

How to apply

Application on plain paper from the candidate together with the copies of marksheets, certificates, degrees, testimonials, etc. should reach The Registrar, Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany, 53, University Road, Lucknow 226 007, UP on or before 5 April 2013.

Registrar

DST-SERB Sponsored School in Chronobiology 2013

16–30 June 2013

Venue: Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR), Jakkur, Bangalore 560 064, India

Chronobiology is an interdisciplinary field that deals with oscillatory phenomena in living organisms and their adaptation to geophysical cycles. Studies in this area typically include different approaches such as comparative anatomy, physiology, genetics, reproduction, ecology, evolution, molecular biology and ethology. This year the 12th in the series of schools organized by the Department of Science and Technology, will be hosted by JNCASR, Bangalore. We aim to introduce participants to the fundamental aspects of chronobiology and also provide exposure to contemporary areas of research in this field.

The tentative list of faculty are Serge Daan (Groningen, Netherlands), Russell G. Foster (Oxford, UK), Michael Rosbash (Brandies, USA), William J. Schwartz (Worcester, USA), Nishikant K. Subhedar (Pune, India), Vinod Kumar (Delhi, India), Sangeeta Rani (Lucknow, India), Anand S. Dixit (Shillong, India), Sheeba Vasu (Bangalore, India) and Vijay K. Sharma (Bangalore, India).

Final year M.Sc./M.B.B.S./M.Pharm./B.Tech. students, Ph.D. scholars, post-docs and young faculty members may apply with CV (date of birth, complete address with e-mail ID, educational qualifications with year and % marks), one photograph, two recommendation letters and a brief statement of purpose (~200 words) of attending this School. Selected twenty participants will be provided AC III train fare and local hospitality. There is no registration fee.

Send your applications on or before 6 May 2013 to Dr Sheeba Vasu, EOBU, Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Jakkur, PO Box 6436, Bangalore 560 064, e-mail: chrono-india@jncasr.ac.in. More details at http://www.jncasr.ac.in/chronobiology/

Application deadline 6 May 2013.