



Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB)
Department of Science and Technology, Government of India

Call for Research Proposals

Empowerment and Equity Opportunities for Excellence in Science

The Government of India established the Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) through an Act of Parliament, viz. the Science and Engineering Research Board Act, 2008. Supporting basic research in emerging areas of Science and Engineering is one of the objectives of the Board.

SERB is expanding its reach across the country through various programmes without diluting the quality of research. In its endeavour of ensuring enhanced participation of weaker sections of the society in research and development, the Board has decided to implement a special scheme titled '**Empowerment and Equity Opportunities for Excellence in Science**'. The scheme drives special programmes to ensure enhanced participation of SC/ST in the research and development field.

Application for project based support on a competitive mode is sought from the eligible scientists.

Eligibility

1. The scheme is open to Indian nationals only.
2. Should be an active researcher belonging to the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe category working in academic institutions/national labs or any other recognized R&D institutions in the field of Science and Engineering.
3. The applicant should have at least four years of service remaining before superannuation as on the date of submission of the proposal.
4. Should be a researcher/scientist who has not received support under this scheme earlier.

The format and guidelines and other details of the Scheme are available at www.serb.gov.in and www.dst.gov.in. The last date of receiving the proposal is **15 February 2014**.

Three (3) copies of the proposal, in the prescribed format, neatly typed on A-4 size paper, should be submitted to SERB along with one soft copy to the following address.

The Secretary

(Attn: Dr Amitava Roy, Programme Coordinator)
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A softcopy of the proposal complete in all respect should also be mailed to: equityserb@gmail.com.

The envelope containing the proposal should be superscribed with '**Empowerment and Equity Opportunities for Excellence in Science**' (mention broad subject area).