

## Call for Proposals

The Ministry of Environment and Forests invites proposals from various Institutions, Organisations who can act as Coordinating Centre and Collaborating Units for undertaking advance taxonomic research under the All India Coordinated Project on Capacity Building in Taxonomy (AICOPTAX) in the following identified thematic areas:

- Fresh water and marine zooplankton (including euglenoids/ciliates/rhizopods)
- Insects: bacteria and tettigonids
- Insects: miscellaneous order
- Oomycetes and cellular slime moulds
- Protozoa and sporozoa
- Annelida
- Meiofauna
- Research in plant biosystematics and advanced training in taxonomy
- Research in animal biosystematics and advanced training in taxonomy

### Who are eligible to apply?

Academic Institutions, Universities, National Institutes, recognized R&D institutions, reputed non-governmental organizations and voluntary bodies, scientists and technologists working in them (NGOs, voluntary bodies and private organizations including industry have to be registered as a research institutions with the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Government of India).

### How to apply?

Proposal should be made in the prescribed application format given in the '**Guidelines for Support to Environmental Research – 2012**'. Proposals prepared by the Principal Investigator (PI) should be forwarded by the Head of the Institution. If the project is a joint venture then it should be explicitly mentioned. The complete 'Guideline for support to Environmental Research – 2012' which inter-alia provides details on the scope and coverage of research grants, concept of public private partnership in R&D projects, procedure for invitation, submission, appraisal, monitoring and review of research projects along with norms of funding, terms and conditions governing research grants and various prescribed proformas is available on the website of the Ministry at [www.moef.nic.in](http://www.moef.nic.in)

### Submission of proposals

Ten hard copies of application in the prescribed format and a softcopy through e-mail or CD are required to be submitted. The application complete in all respects should be sent by registered/speed post by **31 March 2014** to **Scientist Incharge** (Technical), Botanical Survey of India (HQ), CGO Complex, 3rd MSO Building Block F (5th and 6th Floor), DF Block, Sector 1, Salt Lake City, Kolkata 700 064. Phone No. 033-2321 9334.

Applications may also be sent by e-mail: [bsitechqrs@yahoo.com](mailto:bsitechqrs@yahoo.com). The research proposals not evaluated in the current financial year (2013–2014) would be considered in the next financial year.

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