



Nominations are Invited for Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize for Science and Technology 2017

The Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) invites nominations for the Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar (SSB) Prizes in Science and Technology for the year 2017. The SSB Prizes are to be given for research contributions made primarily in India during the past five years. The age of the nominee for the SSB Prize 2017 should not be more than 45 years as on 31 December 2016.

The SSB Prizes are awarded for notable and outstanding research, applied or fundamental, in the following disciplines: (1) Biological Sciences, (2) Chemical Sciences, (3) Earth, Atmosphere, Ocean and Planetary Sciences, (4) Engineering Sciences, (5) Mathematical Sciences, (6) Medical Sciences and (7) Physical Sciences. The SSB Prize carries with it a citation, cash award and a plaque for each scientist selected for the award.

Nominations addressed to **The Scientist Incharge – SSB YSA Unit**, Human Resource Development Group, CSIR Complex, Library Avenue, Pusa, New Delhi 110 012 should be sent as per the prescribed proforma (original + 2 copies) along with reprints of significant publications of the last 5 year's period on or before **31 March 2017**.

Softcopy (in PDF format) of duly filled proforma and significant publications of the nominee is also required in a USB/pen drive. The details of the SSB Prize and the prescribed proforma for nomination may be obtained from the above address or may also be downloaded from the website: <http://csirhrdg.res.in>

National Fungal Culture Collection of India (NFCCI): DST-National Facility

5th National Level Workshop on Taxonomy, Biodiversity, *Ex Situ* Conservation and Applications of Fungi (Duration: 22–31 May 2017)

Venue: MACS' Agharkar Research Institute, Pune

National facility proposes to conduct national workshop for providing expert information and help in developing competence in the thrust area of mycology. The knowledge imparted shall facilitate capacity development in taxonomy, biodiversity, conservation and industrial applications of fungi. The workshop will be of great value to students, who are willing to pursue their career in fungal systematics and biology, plant pathology and quarantine, industrial mycology and biotechnology. This workshop would also be useful for the personnel working in pharmaceutical, food, biopesticides and biofertilizer industries, and quality control. In addition, awareness to various rules and regulations implemented by national agencies under the aegis of convention on biological diversity (CBD) would be created among selected 25 participants.

Workshop fee: Rs 12,000 + service tax @ 15% (participants from academia and research institutions)
Rs 15,000 + service tax @ 15% (participants from industry)

Note: Service tax may change from time to time, and hence will be payable as per government norm.

Who can apply: Post Graduates in Science/Life Sciences, Post Doc Researchers, Ph D. Students, College and University Teachers, Scientists, etc.

Note: Fee includes workshop kit, laboratory expenses and food (breakfast and lunch). Due to limited availability, accommodation would be arranged on request of the selected candidates. The approximate charges of accommodation would be Rs 750 + service tax @ 15% per head and per day (twin sharing basis). Participants may utilize ARI canteen facility for dinner on payment basis.

Important dates

Receipt of duly filled-in application form: **17 April 2017**

Intimation to selected candidates: **24 April 2017**

Receipt of fee from selected candidates: **28 April 2017**

Application form can be downloaded from ARI website: www.aripune.org

Note: Selection of candidates and cancellation of workshop will be solely at the discretion of the organizer, and no further correspondence shall be entertained in this regards.

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