COUNCIL OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT GROUP

VISITING ASSOCIATESHIP SCHEME

A. Promotion of extramural research in various disciplines of science and technology is a major activity of CSIR in addition to the scientific and industrial research that CSIR carries out in its various research laboratories. CSIR also encourages collaborative research between university, industry and CSIR. The Visiting Associateship Scheme (VA Scheme) of CSIR fosters interaction between the working scientists of research institutes, industries and universities. Under this scheme an Associate will be able to use for his/her research to advanced R&D, computer and infrastructure facilities of a CSIR laboratory/institute of his/her choice. Besides, CSIR will provide to the Associate travelling expenses for two visits per year between the place of his parent institution and the concerned CSIR laboratory, accommodation in guest house at nominal rent, and daily allowance at CSIR rates wherever required, for periods not exceeding 60 days in a year. The Associateship will be tenable for 3 years. The time spent in the CSIR laboratories could either be continuous or at convenient intervals.

B. Eligibility, selection criteria and terms:
Indian scientists, engineers and technologists, in regular employment, working in different universities, research institutions and in-house R&D establishments in industry are eligible to apply for VA scheme. The candidates should be outstanding in their field as evidenced by contributions to relevant areas of science and technology.

Sharing of intellectual property, if any, shall be governed by CSIR rules. The Associate shall be given due credit in patents and commercialization of knowledge generated. He will be able to publish the results of work done giving due credit to his collaborators, after obtaining permission to do so. The Associate will have to submit a report on the work done at the CSIR laboratory on expiry of the Associateship.

C. Application format:
1) Applicant’s name, designation and address; 2) Date of birth; 3) Academic qualifications (degree onwards, with subjects of specialization, institute and year of passing); 4) Details of overseas visits; 5) Employment record (Give here details about employer, position held, duration, duties and pay in chronological order); 6) Details of current research work; 7) List of publications (enclose reprints); 8) Subject/Area of the proposed research project; 9) Proposed programme of work (enclose project proposal); 10) Name of groups in CSIR laboratories with whom attachment is desired; 11) Place, Date, Signature of the candidate; 12) Statement from the present employer (this should certify sponsorship and continuance of employment, salary and other benefits to the candidate during the tenure of Associateship) stating ‘The name of Dr/Mr/Ms ............... of this organization is hereby sponsored for the Visiting Associateship of CSIR. It is understood that employment of Dr/Mr/Ms ............... and thereby the benefits to him/her in terms of salary, etc. will be continued on regular basis during the tenure of Associateship. Date, Name, official address and seal of the sponsoring person.’

Applications should be accompanied by a recommendation letter from the Director of the concerned CSIR laboratory.

Applications not sponsored and forwarded by the employer will not be entertained.

D. Selection: Successful applicants will hear directly from CSIR.

E. Address: Candidates should send their applications typed on plain paper, in the format given above, to the Head, Human Resource Development Group, CSIR Complex, NPL Campus, Dr K S Krishnan Marg, New Delhi 110 012. Applications will be considered twice a year – those received up to 31 March and 30 September respectively.