

## M.S. SWAMINATHAN RESEARCH FOUNDATION

MSSRF invites applications from outstanding and active scholars for the position of **Shri B R Barwale Chair in Biodiversity**.

The Chair is responsible for programmes in agro-biodiversity management with special reference to the revitalization of the *in situ* and on-farm genetic resource conservation traditions of rural and tribal families. The Chair will also head the MSSRF Technical Resource Centre for the Implementation of the equity provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity and of the provisions for Farmers' Rights in the Bill for Plant Variety Protection and Farmers' Rights.

The applicants should, in addition to a Doctoral Degree or equivalent professional qualification in Plant Genetics/Ecology/Agriculture/Botany, have at least ten years of work experience in an academic and/or activist setting and a record of quality publications. Three-year renewable contract on negotiable terms. Women are encouraged to apply. Age preferably below 45 years.

Interested candidates may apply with complete CV (including copies of important publications, and names, addresses and contact telephone numbers of three referees) to the *Chief Manager, MSSRF, Third Cross Road, Taramani Institutional Area, Chennai 600 113, India* by **Monday 15 MAY 2000**.

### Dr B.V. Rao Chair for Food Security

Applications are invited for the position of Dr. B.V. Rao Chair for Food Security. The primary responsibility of the Chair will be to lead MSSRF's programme in fostering a **Panchayati Raj** led movement for a **Hunger-free India**, with particular emphasis on economic access to food and on ending chronic under-and-malnutrition and maternal and foetal malnutrition.

Applicants should have either a Ph.D. or an appropriate Post-graduate Degree in Social Sciences, with about 10 years work experience related to issues of food and livelihood security. Experience of working with village communities/local bodies/Panchayat Raj institutions will be an advantage.

Age below 50 will be preferred. Terms negotiable. Women are encouraged to apply.

Interested candidates may send their CV to the *Chief Manager, MSSRF, Third Cross Road, Taramani Institutional Area, Chennai 600 113, India* by **Monday 15 MAY 2000**.

### Coordinator for National Network on Biovillages and Community Banking

Applications are invited for the position of **Coordinator, National Network on Biovillages and Community Banking**. The objective of the network is to enlarge opportunities for sustainable rural livelihoods based on micro-level planning, micro-enterprises and micro-credit, with emphasis on an integrated approach to the conservation/enhancement of natural resources.

Applicants should, in addition to a Ph.D. or appropriate Post-graduate Degree in Management/Economics/Banking/ or other Social or Biological Sciences, have experience in organizing Self-Help Groups or other job-led growth enterprises, and orientation to technology development and dissemination. Age below 45 preferred. Women are encouraged to apply. Terms negotiable.

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