

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

DISTINGUISHED BIOTECHNOLOGIST AWARD

The Department of Biotechnology (DBT) invites nominations of superannuated scientists who have made outstanding research contributions in biotechnology and related fields for 'Distinguished Biotechnologist Award' through the Head of the Institutions where they propose to work. The nomination neatly typed (3 copies) on plain paper in the prescribed proforma, complete with enclosures should be sent to Dr Meenakshi Munshi, Senior Scientific Officer, Department of Biotechnology, Block-2, 6-8th Floor, CGO Complex, Lodi Road, New Delhi 110 003 so as to reach on or before 10 November 2003.

Details of the Award are as under:

Each Distinguished Biotechnologist would be entitled to a maximum amount of Rs 26,000 per month as honorarium. However, the honorarium and the pensionary benefits, if any, of the Distinguished Biotechnologist shall not exceed the last pay drawn by him/her. In addition, a contingency grant of Rs 50,000 per annum would be provided for meeting expenditure of the awardee on secretarial assistance, telephone, domestic travel, stationery, etc. The scientist would also be given a grant for implementing a research project proposed by him/her for the award.

Eligibility: The Awardee should be a distinguished Indian scientist in Biotechnology/Biology and related fields. He/she should be outstanding and continue to publish research work of very high standard. He/she should be a Fellow of at least one of the following National Academies: (a) Indian Academy of Sciences, Bangalore, (b) National Academy of Sciences, Allahabad, (c) Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi.

Number: Maximum of 3 (three) scientists at a time will be given the 'Distinguished Biotechnologist Award'. Fresh selection will be made only against vacancies.

Duration: The tenure of the Distinguished Biotechnologist Award would be initially for a period of three years, which is extendable for another two years based on the review of the work undertaken by the scientist in the first three years. Thus, the tenure of the award would be for a maximum period of five years or till the awardee attains the age of 70 years, whichever is earlier.

Nomination: The nomination/application for the award should be sent through the host institution interested in utilizing the services and expertise of the scientist. The institution should certify to the effect that the scientist would be provided the necessary facilities required for carrying out the proposed research activity under the Distinguished Biotechnologist Award of DBT.

Mode of Selection: The selection of the award would be based on the scientific achievements of the scientist and the recommendations of an expert committee specifically constituted by the Department of Biotechnology.

Proforma for Nomination/Application

PART - A
(General Information)

1. Name :
2. Address with Tel. No./Fax/e-mail :
3. Date of Birth :
4. Date of Superannuation :

- 5. Academic qualifications (degree onwards) :
- 6. Employment Record (in chronological order) :
- 7. Significant research contributions made in the basic/ applied areas of Bioscience/Biotechnology (not exceeding 5 pages) :
- 8. a) List of Publications in indexed journals :
- b) List of Patents :
- c) List of commercialization of Technologies developed :
- d) List of books/reviews written :
- e) No. of research students guided :
- f) Particulars of Awards won :
- g) Particulars of Memberships in Academies/Societies/ Professional bodies :
- 9. Major R&D projects/programmes implemented :
- 10. Any other relevant information :

P A R T – B
(Project proposal)

- 1. Title of the research project :
- 2. Objectives :
- 3. Scheme of implementation :
- 4. Budgetary requirement (yearwise for a period of 3 years) :
 - i) Equipment*
 - ii) Manpower cost**
 - iii) Consumables
 - iv) Contingency
 (*only minor equipment will be sanctioned;
 **only one staff position at the level of RA/SRF/JRF will be sanctioned)

Place:

Date:

Signature of the Nominee

Certificate by the host Institution

Certified that if Prof./Dr. _____ is given the Distinguished Biotechnologist Award of the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Govt. of India, he/she will be provided office and laboratory space, access to equipment and library facilities, etc. for implementing the research project proposal submitted by him/her for the award.

Place:

Date:

Signature of the Head of Institution (sponsor) & Seal