



Government of India,
Ministry of Science & Technology,
Department of Biotechnology,



**AWARD OF DBT-JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP
IN BIOTECHNOLOGY**
(Co-ordinated by University of Pune)

GENERAL

Applications are invited from Indian nationals for the award of 'DBT-Junior Research Fellowship' for pursuing research in frontier areas of Biotechnology and Applied Biology. The fellowship is tenable in Universities/Institutes participating in the DBT-sponsored M.Sc./M.Tech./M.V.Sc. (Biotechnology) and M.Sc./M.Tech. (Bioinformatics) teaching programme.

ELIGIBILITY

Those who have passed after 1 January 2004 or will appear (till August, 2005) for M.Sc. in Biotechnology, Agriculture Biotechnology, Medical Biotechnology, Marine Biotechnology, Industrial Biotechnology, Neurosciences, Bioinformatics; M.Tech. in Biochemical Engineering and Biotechnology, Pharmaceutical Biotechnology, Bioinformatics and M.V.Sc. in Animal Biotechnology, exclusively from the centres supported by the DBT, New Delhi, are eligible for this award. The applicants should be below the age of 28 years, and 33 years in case of reserved categories, and women candidates. Candidates with 60% (55% for reserved categories) of the total marks (equivalent in grade) are eligible.

DETAILS OF THE AWARD

The fellowship will be initially for a period of 3 years extendable for 2 more years based on performance. By the end of 2nd year the performance of JRF will be assessed and will be upgraded to SRF. The fellowship as JRF/SRF will be @ Rs 8000–9000/- per month + HRA as per host Institute norms, and a research contingency of Rs 30,000/- per year.

MODE OF SELECTION

The candidates will be selected based on a written admission test, '**Biotechnology Eligibility Test**' (**BET**) to be conducted on 8th June at four different centres, namely, Alagappa College of Technology, Anna University (Chennai), Sri Venkateswara College (New Delhi), West Bengal University of Technology (Kolkata), and University of Pune (Pune). Candidates called for BET will be paid II class railway (non-AC)/bus fare by the shortest route from their home town.

MODE OF APPLICATION

Candidates should apply in the prescribed application form obtainable online at the URL www.mkcl.ws/bet online. The last date for submission of online application form is **10 May 2005**. Stepwise procedure for filling the online application form and its submission is given in the above said URL. The completed application form along with the required documents and application fee in the form of a DD of Rs 500/- (Rs 250/- for SC/ST/PH categories) in favour of **Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Ltd.**, payable at **Pune**, drawn on any nationalized bank, should reach the address mentioned in the URL, on or before **17 May 2005**. The application fee is non-refundable.