

**Government of India  
Ministry of Science & Technology  
Department of Biotechnology (DBT)**

The Department of Biotechnology, Govt of India invites applications exclusively from the eight North Eastern States of India for setting up of Bioinformatics facilities to enable Teaching and R&D activities in Life Sciences and Biotechnology.

Considering the importance of bioinformatics for the growth of Life Sciences and Biotechnology, the department is planning to support bioinformatics facilities (BIF) at the institutions, universities, accredited colleges which are located in North Eastern States of India. Through this scheme, DBT will provide a one time financial support upto Rs 20.00 lakhs per facility for the establishment of BIF. The contingency support may be extended for the subsequent years based on assessment of performance of the facility at the end of the first year.

While evaluating proposals for funding the following criteria will be taken into consideration:

1. Only institutions located in the eight northeastern states of India are eligible to apply.
2. Institutions running postgraduate and above courses in Life Sciences and Biotechnology will be preferred. However, institutions conducting B.Tech./B.E. in Life Sciences and Biotechnology will also be considered.
3. The host institution would have to sign an MOU with DBT.

For more details and format please visit DBT website <http://www.dbtindia.gov.in/bioinformatics.htm>. Interested institutions may submit two copies of their proposals in the prescribed format on or before **16 November 2007** to **Dr T. Madhan Mohan, Adviser, Department of Biotechnology, Block-2, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi 110 003.**