



**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

**INDO-BULGARIAN BILATERAL SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION
CALL FOR PROPOSALS (2008)**

With a view to intensifying interaction and the scientific cooperation between Indian and Bulgarian Scientists/Institutions, **Department of Science and Technology (DST)** of India and the **Ministry of Education and Science (MES)** of Bulgaria extend support for joint research projects involving exchange of visits under the Indo-Bulgarian Bilateral Scientific Cooperation programme with special emphasis on further academic training and specialization of scientists/scholars in following areas of cooperation:

- Information Technology
- Metal Sciences and New Materials
- Nano-materials
- High Energy Physics
- Satellite Technology
- Alternate Renewable Energy Sources, including Solar Energy
- Geophysical Instrumentation and Earthquake Engineering including its forecasting
- Food Technology
- Biotechnology (including gene-biotechnology)
- Medicine (especially, Traditional Medicines based on herbs)
- Laser Science and Technology
- Astronomy
- Ocean Science and Technology

APPLICATION PROCEDURE: The format for joint research project/seminar proposals, areas of cooperation, eligibility and other details are available at the websites: www.stic-dst.org.in or www.dst.gov.in

Joint research projects in the prescribed format, duly forwarded by the Head of the Institutions are to be submitted simultaneously by the Indian Project Leader to the Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi, and by the Bulgarian Project Leader to the Ministry of Education and Science, Bulgaria. **Applications received by both the agencies with all necessary documents shall only be considered.**

The Bulgarian project leaders are required to submit the identical project document (5 copies) to MES in Bulgaria (Ms Maria Nacheva, State Expert, Scientific Research Department, Ministry of Education and Science, 2A, Kniaz Dondukov Blvd., 1000 SOFIA. e-mail: m.nacheva@minedu.government.bg) and the Indian Project Leaders are required to send **10 copies** of the complete project document to: **Dr Jagdish Chander**, Scientist-F, International Division (Room No. 15, Admn. Block), Department of Science and Technology, Technology Bhavan, New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi 110 016, along with a softcopy (single file in ms-word or pdf format) as e-mail attachment at e-mail: jchander@nic.in. The last date for submission of applications is **31 December 2008**. Applications received after last date will not be entertained.