First
Indian Biodiversity Congress (IBC 2010)
28–30 December 2010
Kerala University Campus, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

Pre-conference workshops, National Seminar, Indian Biodiversity Expo and NGO Meet

Call for Papers

The First Indian Biodiversity Congress (IBC 2010) organized jointly by Centre for Innovation in Science and Social Action (partner, International Year of Biodiversity celebrations of Convention on Biological Diversity), University of Kerala, Kerala State Biodiversity Board and Navdanya, invites papers for oral/poster presentation on the following theme topics/special session except the focal theme.

**Focal theme:** Biodiversity and Development: Mainstreaming Biodiversity into Policy-Making.

**Special Session:** Biodiversity Conservation in Western Ghats – Status, Challenges and Opportunities

**Themes:** Biodiversity documentation/inventorization; Agro-biodiversity and food security; Local extinctions – case studies; Biodiversity versus development paradigms; Innovations in taxonomy and conservation; Biodiversity and local communities; Indigenous knowledge; Intellectual property; Trade and bio-piracy; Cultural, spiritual and linguistic links of biodiversity; Effectiveness of existing legislations and policies related to biodiversity, and Biodiversity communication, education and public awareness.

Register online and submit the abstract in prescribed format online or mail before 10 November 2010 to the following address:

**Dr A. Biju Kumar,** Organizing Secretary, Indian Biodiversity Congress (IBC 2010), Centre for Innovation in Science and Social Action (CISSA), MBC-27, Museum Bains Compound, Nanthancode, Kowdiar P.O., Thiruvananthapuram 695 003, Kerala

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University of Madras

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for the following temporary positions to work in a Govt of India ICMR sponsored major research project: ‘Molecular mechanism underlying gestational and lactational chromium exposure-induced disruption of the hypothalamo–hypophyseal–gonadal axis and fertility’.

**Last date for submission of application:** 20 October 2010

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<td>(i) Postgraduate degree in Life Sciences (Animal Sciences/ Zoology, Biomedical Sciences, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Molecular Biology, Human Genetics, Physiology, Anatomy) with minimum of 55% marks. (ii) Pass in CSIR/UGC or ICMR/PGI National Eligibility Test (NET) with valid certificate. (iii) Experience in mammalian cell culture, eukaryotic gene expression studies, western blot, immunohistochemistry, confocal microscope and flow cytometry is desired.</td>
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Application should be accompanied with supporting documents for qualification and experience and testimonials/reference letter from two persons (one should be from the head of the department/institution where the candidate studied last).

Address to which the application should reach: **Dr M. Michael Aruldas,** Principal Investigator – ICMR Project, Professor and Head, Department of Endocrinology, Dr ALM PG Institute of Basic Medical Sciences, University of Madras, Taramani Campus, Chennai 600 113.

The posts are purely temporary and will be terminated at the end of the project. The candidate cannot claim any permanent position in the university or ICMR on the basis of this temporary position.