

Funding Agencies	Scheme	Amount & Duration	Eligibility	Processing time	Application Procedure
DBT	Research Resource, Service, Facilities & Platform -RRSF	60 Lakh-RGO (Research Grant Opportunity)	MD/M.Tech/Ph.D degree in any branch of life science	Online Submission Sanction letter status online Fund transfer to university	Online

DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY

SALIENT FEATURES

1. Online registrations for new investigators, PIs of ongoing and completed projects have login ID and password for tracking their project.
2. Online availability of user manual, various forms & Online access to proposals for review.
3. Online proposal evaluation & Reduces time lag, paper work at various stages of processing.

Scheme:

1. Research Resources, Service Facilities and Platforms

The grant support enables research institutions or universities to establish state-of-the-art instruments or to set-up central laboratories, research service facilities like, animal house, generating scientific knowledge through basic and advanced R&D; validate and disseminate research outcomes like GM plants, vaccines, diagnostics and maintain genetic stocks, repositories, platforms for advanced research in specified national priority areas.

Quantum & Duration:

All research related expenses are to be booked under Equipment, Consumables, Manpower, Contingency, Travel etc. as in other ongoing R&D Schemes of the Department of Biotechnology. **The budget is restricted to Rs. 60.00 lakhs for 3 years for RGO and Rs.40.00 lakhs for ECS. This includes manpower to be hired (PA/JRF/SRF/RA for RGO and PA for ECS) in the project. The budget is indicative only. Not mandatory to be funded. Equipment cost should not exceed 30 % of the total cost of the project.**

Eligibility Criteria:

- (i) M.D/M. Tech /Ph. D/Equivalent degree in any branch of Life Sciences.
- (ii) Women Scientists who are employed or unemployed or are desirous of coming back after a break.
- (iii) Women Scientists for whom it is the first grant. (Women Scientist who have already availed any grant as a Principal Investigator from any Government Funding Agency including WOS Women Scientists Scheme (A&B) and Fast Track Scheme of DST are not eligible to apply).
- (iv) Women Scientists upto 55 years of age

Application Procedure:

- (i) The eligible applicants should submit the project proposal online through eProMIS (<http://dbtepromis.gov.in>) as and when the program is advertised at DBT website (www.dbtindia.gov.in). **The proposal should describe the objectives and work plan through which she intends to achieve the target in the project period in detail.** The applicants should ensure to fill up all the fields as all fields are mandatory.
- (ii) For **employed** candidates, **minimum one Co-Investigator is mandatory** and the proposal should be duly forwarded by Head of the institute/competent authorities. For **unemployed** candidates, a **Mentor is mandatory** and a letter from the Mentor Scientist in whose lab she proposes to work and a forwarding letter of support from the Head of the institute/Competent authority should accompany the proposal.

Fellowship/Stipend:

- (i) For **unemployed** women Scientists there would be a provision for fellowship amount as lump sum in the following 3 slabs under the Research Grant Opportunity (RGO). The slabs would be decided based on post Ph.D experience as mentioned below:
 - (a) Grade – I Rs.50, 000/- (more than 2 year's research/industrial experience)
 - (b) Grade – II Rs.55, 000/- (more than 5 years research/industrial experience)
 - (c) Grade– III Rs.60, 000/- (more than 10 years research/industrial experience)

Candidates having less than 2years experience will be supported under Early Career Scientists (ECS) category and get Rs.50, 000/- .

- The candidates are requested to mention number of years of experience post PhD and will have to provide proof of years of experience.

- If a selected candidate is availing a Post-Doctoral or Contractual fellowship, she will have to resign from the same before accepting the project under Bio-CARe programme.

(ii) For employed grantees an additional amount of Rs. 10,000/- per month would be provided as an incentive. This will be in addition to the salary she is receiving from the parent institute/university.

(iii) The proposals will be screened for eligibility, peer reviewed and further shortlisted by an Expert Committee based on the following criteria:

1. Scientific merit of the proposal
2. Experience and the qualification of the PI
3. Publications
4. Infrastructure of the Host Institute

(iv) Project duration will be for 3 years (two years extension can be given after review).

For Application Form (Click on the link below)

<http://dbtindia.gov.in/>