



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



**and
Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council
(A Govt. of India Enterprise)
Biotechnology Industry Partnership Programme (BIPP)
Regular Call for Proposals (25th Batch)
(15th October – 30th November 2012)**

Biotechnology Industry Partnership Programme (BIPP) is a Government Partnership Programme with industry for support on a cost sharing basis targeted at development of novel and high risk futuristic technologies mainly for viability gap funding and enhancing existing R&D capacities of Start-ups and SMEs in key areas of national importance and public good.

DBT is operating this scheme through **BIRAC, a Not-for-Profit Company set up by Department of Biotechnology** to promote and nurture innovation research in Biotech Enterprises specially Start-ups and SMEs. Major thrust of the programme is towards funding technologies which address a major national problem and/or involves high level of innovation. The proposals spanning across the spectrum of pre-proof-of-concept to validation of established technologies are considered for support in the form of grant and/or loan.

Who can apply?

- ✓ A single or consortia of Indian company (ies) - Small, Medium or Large having DSIR* recognized in-house R&D unit(s).

An Indian Company is defined as one which is registered under "The Indian Companies Act 1956" and in which 51% (or more) of the ownership is held by Indian citizens (including NRIs).

The proposals can be submitted:

- " by an Indian Company alone; *or*
- " by an Indian Company along with public sector R&D institution(s), organization(s), laboratory(ies), university(ies) etc.; *or*
- " by a consortium of Indian Companies; *or*
- " by a consortium of Indian Companies along with public sector R&D institution(s), organization(s), laboratory(ies), university(ies) etc.

*(*Companies in the process of obtaining DSIR recognition may also apply along with the proof of application to DSIR. However, the final decision on such applications would be subject to their getting DSIR recognition)*

How to Apply?

Proposals are required to be submitted **online only**. To submit a proposal online, please log on to the BIRAC website (www.birac.nic.in).

No Hard Copy to be submitted. Proposals submitted online only would be considered.

Last date for Submission of Proposals under Regular Call: 30th November, 2012

Biotech Consortium India Limited (BCIL) is the BIPP Management Agency (BMA) and will ensure maintenance of strict confidentiality of the proposals as per DBT norms.

Details of the scheme including eligibility requirements of the applicant company, collaborating organizations, categories for proposal submission; mechanism of evaluation; guidelines for percentage support as grant and loan; agreement templates; projects being supported etc.

are available at

http://dbtindia.nic.in/uniquepage.asp?id_pk=680

<http://www.birac.nic.in/programmes.php>

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