



Department of Science and Technology
Ministry of Science and Technology
Government of India

Knowledge Involvement in Research Advancement through Nurturing (KIRAN) Division
Women Scientist Scheme-B (WOS-B)
(S&T Intervention for Societal Benefit)
Call for Research Proposals (2018-19)

Department of Science & Technology (DST) has taken several pioneering initiatives for promoting women in Science and Technology (S&T) domain. Women Scientist Scheme (WOS) under KIRAN division specifically addresses challenges confronting women in realm of S&T who had a break in career by providing suitable opportunities to return to mainstream science.

Under Women Scientist Scheme-B (WOS-B), proposals are invited from women scientists and technologists who wish to utilize their scientific knowledge and temperament for the benefit of society. WOS-B focuses on projects leading to S&T based solutions of societal issues & challenges for social benefits. Such projects should deliver possible solutions by way of development of viable technology/technique and/or lab-to-land technology transfer, its adaptation and scaling up. The project is tenable for a maximum period of three (3) years. *Basic research proposals will not be entertained under WOS-B.*

Thematic Areas in which proposals could be submitted (indicative only):

Agriculture and Allied Sciences (AAS)
Health, Food and Nutrition (HFN)
Engineering and Technology Development (ETD)

Eligibility: Women having qualifications in science & technology areas and in the age group of 27-57 years with break in their career but interested in addressing a well-defined/identified societal challenge through viable S&T interventions are eligible to apply. Women working as regular/permanent employees are not eligible to apply in this scheme.

Emoluments: The fellowship amount under the scheme is:

Rs 55,000/- per month (pm) for Ph.D. or equivalent (total project cost not exceeding Rs.30 lakh),

Rs 40,000/- pm for M.Phil./M.Tech or equivalent (total project cost not exceeding Rs.25 lakh),

Rs 30,000/- pm for M.Sc. or equivalent (total project cost not exceeding Rs.20 lakh).

Total project cost includes above fellowship of Principal Investigator (PI), consumables, travel, contingencies and minor equipments but excluding overheads.

How to apply: DST has started e-PMS (onlinedst.gov.in) for online submission of research proposals. Those interested in submitting proposal have to register at this portal and then upload the proposal in the given format. WOS-B Proposal Format is available on e-PMS under KIRAN Division and at DST website. Send two hardcopies of submitted research proposal to Mrs. Namita Gupta, Scientist-'F', KIRAN Division, Department of Science and Technology (DST), Technology Bhawan, New Mehrauli Road, New Delhi-110016. Superscribe envelope with 'Women Scientist Scheme-B (WOS-B)'.

Last Date of Proposal Submission: 5 November 2018.

For details, please visit www.dst.gov.in