



**CALL FOR PROJECT ASSOCIATE-I FOR A SERB (CRG) SPONSORED PROJECT**

**Date: 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2024**

Applications are invited from suitable candidates for the position of **Project Associate-I (1 vacancy)** to work on the following project sponsored by Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB), Govt. of India, under the Core Research Grant (CRG) scheme, under the supervision of Dr. Vivek Sharma, Department of Biological Sciences, BITS-Pilani, Hyderabad campus.

<b>Title of the project:</b>	<b>Understanding the role of long non-coding RNAs (lncRNAs) during Neuroinflammation in Japanese Encephalitis</b>
<b>Duration of the project</b>	3 years
<b>Fellowship amount:</b>	<b>NET (LS)/GATE qualified candidates:</b> Rs. 31,000 + 24% HRA per month. <b>Without NET/GATE qualification:</b> Rs. 25,000 per month + 24% HRA (as applicable). <b>Fellowship amount may be revised based on the latest Ministry of Science and Technology office memorandum, subject to the approval of the SERB.</b>
<b>Eligibility requirements</b>	M.Sc./M.Tech./B.Tech. or equivalent degree in Microbiology, Biotechnology, Zoology, Botany, , Life-sciences, Biochemistry, Plant biology, Molecular biology or a related discipline with at least 60% marks. Candidate with NET/GATE qualification will be preferred. Age limit- as per SERB norms.

For details of research in the lab please look at (<https://www.bits-pilani.ac.in/hyderabad/research-projects/?faculty=vivek-sharma>). Interested candidates with the above mentioned qualifications can send their Resume/CV, mentioning their educational qualifications, research/work experience and published research papers (if any), by **18<sup>th</sup> July, 2024**, to the Principal Investigator, Dr. Vivek Sharma via email: [viveksharma@hyderabad.bits-pilani.ac.in](mailto:viveksharma@hyderabad.bits-pilani.ac.in) (please add “SERB Project Associate application” in subject line). Please note that only qualified and suitable candidates will be selected for interview to be held through Google Meet platform, sometime in the July last week. Selected candidate will have to register for Ph.D. program of BITS, Pilani, subject to the fulfillment of the requirements.

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