INSA Visiting Scientist Programme

To conduct advanced research for undergoing specialised training in Indian research institutes/laboratories other than one's own institution, Academy has instituted this Visiting Scientists Programme since 1991.

Name of the Programme:
The programme shall be called 'INSA-Visiting Scientist Programme' and the awardee shall be designated: 'INSA Visiting Scientist'.

Objective:
Acquiring furtherance of research capabilities for undergoing training in specific techniques, or utilising facilities not available in their own institutions. Book writing is not permitted under this programme.

Number of Awards:
The number of INSA-Visiting Scientist positions to be awarded each year will be a maximum of 120 man-months per annum.

Value:
These fellowships will carry an honorarium of Rs.9000/- (taxable) and DA Rs.6000/- per month (@ Rs.200 per day x 30 days) in addition to the scientist's own salary from his parent institution. The Academy will provide to and fro travel expenses by 1st class or 2nd AC Sleeper from the parent organisation to the proposed institute of work on production of tickets.

Duration:
The position shall be provided to a scientist to work for a minimum period of one month to a maximum of six months in a laboratory or a research institution of his/her choice in a city within India other than his/her own city.

Mode of Selection:
Applications on prescribed proforma will be invited once a year, through proper channel so as to reach the Academy by February 15 preceding the year of selection. The selection will be made by the 'Science Promotion Committee' at its meeting scheduled to be held during March-April in the following year.

Application Procedure:
- The applicant should be a scientist and hold a regular position in any R&D organisation including Universities or affiliated colleges in India. The scientists who have already availed INSA visiting Scientist position would be eligible for consideration after the gap of 5 years.
- The applicants would be required to provide a concise account of their plan of work/study besides their biodata highlighting their research achievements.
- It would be desirable that the applicant should have approached the host institution in India and the scientist concerned to ascertain their willingness to accept him/her.