INSTITUTE OF LIFE SCIENCES
(An Autonomous Institute under the Dept. of Biotechnology,
Ministry of Science & Technology, Govt. of India)
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Institute of Life Sciences (ILS), Bhubaneswar, an autonomous Institute of the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India engaged in advanced research invites applications from Indian nationals for the **Ph.D. program in Plant/ Agricultural and Environmental Biotechnology**.

Candidates are strongly encouraged to visit ILS webpage for detailed information, regarding the research activities pertaining to Plant/ Agricultural and Environmental Biotechnology.

**Essential Qualification:**

Candidates should have passed their M.Sc./M.Tech/M.Pharm/M.V.Sc. or equivalent qualification in life sciences and allied subjects (Biochemistry/ Biotechnology/ Bioinformatics/ Chemistry/ Microbiology etc) with minimum of 60% marks (or equivalent grade point). Candidates awaiting final results may also apply, however, if shortlisted, they have to produce their final mark sheet on the date of the interview, failing which they will not be interviewed. Candidates who have qualified in CSIR/UGC-JRF or CSIR/UGC-lectureship or UGC-RGNF or ICMR-JRF or DBT-JRF or DST-INSPIRE or GATE or GPAT or ICG- RGF or DBT-JRF or DST-INSPIRE or GATE or GPAT or UGC-RGF will be given preference. If the original certificate is not available, the candidate has to provide a photocopy of the original admit card and the particular result page highlighting their roll number.

The upper age limit of the candidate should be below 28 years, as of 19th May, 2017. Age relaxation will be given for five years in case of candidates belonging to SC/ST/women/PH and three years in case of OBC (as approved by Govt. of India) candidates.

The fellowship and other emoluments will be as per DST/CSIR guidelines.

To and fro bus/rail fare by the shortest route limited to second sleeper class will be paid to all the candidates appearing for the interview.

Interested and eligible candidates may fill-up the prescribed application form as available in ILS website (www.ils.res.in). Duly filled-up application along with self-attested copies of all relevant certificates and demand draft should be send to the **Director, Institute of Life Sciences, Nalco Square, Bhubaneswar-751023**. All application should reach the Institute on or before the last date. Applications received after the last date will not be accepted. The envelope should be superscribed with “Application for Ph.D. Programme”.

Short-listed candidates selected for the interview will be published in the Institute website (www.ils.res.in).

**Application Fees:** Applicants except SC/ST candidates are required to send a non-refundable D.D. for Rs.500/- in favour of “Director, Institute of Life Sciences, Bhubaneswar” payable at Bhubaneswar along with duly filled-in application form by the date mentioned below.

Director, ILS reserves the right to withdraw the procedure without assigning any reasons thereof.

**Important dates:**

- Last date of receiving applications: **12th May, 2017**.
- Date of display of short-listed candidates and instructions in the Institute website: **19th May, 2017**.
- Date of interview: The interview for Plant/ Agricultural and Environmental Biotechnology Ph.D. program will be held tentatively on **9th June, 2017**. The final date of interview will be confirmed when the list of short-listed candidates is displayed in ILS website.

Administrative Officer