



Department of Science and Technology  
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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](http://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](http://www.dst.gov.in)**