



Department of Science & Technology

DST-DAAD Programme on exchange of Scientists in the fields of Engineering and Natural Sciences

- The programme is addressed to Indian and German scientists holding a PhD degree and affiliated to universities and research institutes;
- The sending side covers the international air-fare (including medical insurance, visa fees etc) and the receiving side covers the local hospitality as per the following **Rates for local hospitality**;

For German Scientists visiting India:

Rs 1000/- per diem for visits up to one month (30 days)

Rs 700/- for each additional day

(Actual cost for guest house accommodation will be met by DST for the entire duration of stay)

For Indian Scientists visiting Germany (Rate 2009):

Depending on the applicant's academic status, the monthly award will amount to 1,840 Euros for assistant lecturers, assistant professors and young lecturers, and 1,990 Euros for professors, in exceptions, 2,240 Euros.

- Visits should be for a minimum of 2, but may not exceed 4 weeks; during this period up to three host institutes can be visited. At least two-thirds of the stay in India or Germany should be at one particular institute;
- Scientists are expected to establish contacts with their counterparts themselves, and draft out a mutually convenient programme in consultation with them. It is important that the partners agree to the proposed time schedules as well as the scientific work plan. Letters to this effect are to be included in the application;
- Lecture tours and conference attendance cannot be supported;
- The visit to Germany/India should be planned in consultation with the German/Indian host;
- Scientists are expected to provide for, and arrange their own accommodation in collaboration with their counterpart;
- Scientists are advised not to take their families along, as they will face difficulty in finding accommodation. Moreover, the DAAD and DST allowance will not be sufficient for renting suitable lodgings;

- The visits are on a reciprocal basis; an equal number of Indian and German scientists to be invited. At the time of application, the Indian scientists are advised to include a confirmation letter from his German counterpart that he would visit the Indian institute in the current year. The German scientists applying under this programme must include an acceptance letter from his Indian counterpart to visit the German institute;
- The DST invites applications from Indian universities/ research institutes for visits under this programme, and then sends its nominations to the DAAD. After receiving the confirmations from DAAD in Germany, the visits to be funded are finalized by DST and DAAD, New Delhi. The same regulations/ criteria's apply for the German side;
- The applicants must submit one visit proposal in one application form only. The visit of multiple scientists in single application shall not be considered;
- Incomplete and ambiguous applications shall not be considered and summarily rejected;
- The applications shall be considered in 2 cycles ie **15th March** and **15th September** of each year. The completed applications duly forwarded by the respective Heads of the Institute/ University are to be submitted to:

<u>Indian side</u>	<u>German side</u>
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