Applications are invited from suitable candidates for filling purely temporary position of one Research Assistant-I in the SERB project entitled “Investigating the synergistic epigenetic and post-transcriptional gene silencing mechanism involved in the regulation of flavonoid biosynthesis in banana (Musa sp.),” under the supervision of Dr. Ashutosh Pandey, Scientist, NIPGR. The details of the position are as under:

Research Associate-I (One post): Emoluments as per DST/DBT norms and as sanctioned in the project.

**Qualification:** Candidates having Ph.D. degree in Life Sciences/Biotechnology/Molecular Biology or a related field or having an M. Tech. in Biotechnology/Bioinformatics with three years of research experience and one research publication, as mentioned in DST office memorandum number SR/S9/Z-08/2018 dated January 30, 2019, are eligible to apply.

**Desirable Qualification:** Candidates having research experience in the areas of banana tissue culture/protein-protein interaction/protein-DNA interaction/ epigenetics and gene silencing/functional genomics, duly supported with relevant publications in SCI journals (having at least two first-author research papers in SCI journals with more than three impact factors) will be preferred.

The above position is completely on temporary basis and co-terminus with the project. The fellowship/emolument amount for the above position is as sanctioned in the project and as per DBT/DST norms. The initial appointment will be for one year or till the tenability of the project whichever is earlier and the same can be curtailed/extended on the basis of assessment of the candidate's performance and discretion of the Competent Authority. NIPGR reserves the right to select the candidate against the above post depending upon the qualification and experience of the candidate. Reservation of posts shall be as per Govt. of India norms. The appointment may be terminated any time by giving one month notice by either side. The applicants will have no claim implicit or explicit for consideration against any regular position of NIPGR.

Eligible candidates may apply by sending soft copy through e-mail in the given format with self-attested soft copies of the mark-sheets, certificates, (from Class X onwards) and proof of research experience/publications. **A single pdf file, consisting of application and all documents, must be sent to E-mail:** ashutosh@nipgr.ac.in within 15 days from the date of advertisement. **The subject line of the mail should be “Application for the Post of RA-I”**. A web-link with date and time of online interview will be E-mailed to the shortlisted candidates only. The candidates must ascertain their eligibility before applying, as ineligible candidates will not be interviewed. Canvassing in any form or bringing influence, political or otherwise, will lead to disqualification of the candidate(s).

**Note:** ONLY soft copy of the application in the given format will be accepted. No TA/DA will be paid for attending online interview. For any clarification candidates may contact Scientist in charge through E-mail only.
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