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The department of biotechnology (DBT) is looking for applications from doctoral, post doctoral students and faculty members to support educational-training series, workshops, and research travel opportunities in neuroinformatics and computational neuroscience. Under its "Initiative on Neuroinformatics and Computational Neuroscience Education" (INCNE), DBT would be providing support to travel between laboratories in India and internationally, to attend courses and workshops in computational neuroscience and neuroinformatics; designing seminar series in neuroinformatics aimed at inviting eminent speakers in the field to India and speak at multiple institutions and workshops/short courses in the area of neuroinformatics and computational neuroscience education.

For travel support, PhD students or postdoctoral fellows, working in an area of relevance to neuroinformatics or computational neuroscience, are eligible. For seminar series/workshops, faculty members at Indian research institutions engaged in research on neuroinformatics and related topics, are eligible to apply to host a visitor for the seminar series and to run workshops and short courses.

Applications shall be evaluated by a duly constituted committee. The award would be based on relevance for Neuroinformatics and the following criteria:Student laboratory visit travel support will be based on project outline, value of visit for collaborative plans, student qualifications, and host involvement. Student course and workshop travel support will be given on the basis of research interest and experience in the area, course quality and references. Seminar Series support will be given on the basis of proposal to reach a wide student and researcher audience, interaction and collaboration opportunities and plans for reaching institutions in more than one city in India. The quality of the speaker will also be a major consideration. Workshop/short course support will be given on the basis of excellence in the course design, faculty qualifications, student outreach and innovation.

All applications should be submitted according to the prescribed format at the web site of the Indian National Node for

NeuroInformatics, (http://innni.ncbs.res.in/incne). The checklist for each category of application is specified there. Applications will be reviewed in February, May and October.