



INAUGURAL FOR AN INTER-MINISTERIAL INITIATIVE (ACCELERATE VIGYAN SCHEME)

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS UNDER 'ABHYAAS' (WINTER SEASON)

'Accelerate Vigyan' (AV) strives to provide a big push to high-end scientific research and prepare scientific manpower which can venture into research careers and knowledge-based economy. The aim of AV is to expand the research base in the country, with three broad goals - consolidation / aggregation of all scientific training programs, initiating high-end Orientation Workshops and creating opportunities for Research Internships.

'ABHYAAS', a program of AV scheme, is an attempt to boost Research & Development in the country by enabling and grooming potential PG / PhD level students by developing dedicated research skills in selected areas / disciplines / fields through its two components- **High-End Workshops ('KARYASHALA')** and **Research Internships ('VRITIKA')**. This is especially important for those researchers who have limited opportunities to access such learning capacities / facilities / infrastructure. The list of dedicated themes (but not, necessarily restricted to the list per-se) for 'KARYASHALA' can be found at AV web portal, whereas there are no specific target themes for 'VRITIKA'.

This call is announced for inviting the applications under two components 'KARYASHALA' and 'VRITIKA' for winter season (Dec 2020 -Jan 2021).

	KARYASHALA	VRITIKA
DURATION	At least 1 week but not more than 2 weeks per workshop.	At least 4 weeks but not exceeding 2 months per intern.
WHO ARE ELIGIBLE?	Faculty or Scientists working in Central institutions of higher learning and research such as IITs, IISc, IISERs, NITs and other institutions/laboratories of eminence like CSIR, ICAR, ICMR, etc in the country are invited as Event Organizers (EO) for organizing high-end Workshops ('KARYASHALA') and Research Internships ('VRITIKA').	
NATURE OF SUPPORT	A consolidated amount for daily necessary expenses such as TA, stationary, consumables, accommodation, food, etc for the participating students will be provided by the institute of EOs through SERB funding support.	
HOW TO APPLY	The EO (Faculty/Scientist) should register at Accelerate Vigyan web-portal first and follow the instructions given in the web-portal for the submission of applications.	

***Note:** 01 July 2020 also marks the launch of another new component 'SAYONJIKA' under AV, as an open ended program, to catalogue the capacity building activities in S&T supported by all government funding agencies in the country.