

## TIMED LAUNCHES

### **SOCIAL INNOVATION IMMERSION PROGRAMME (SIIP)**

**supported by BIRAC (Dept. of Biotechnology. GOI)**

SIIP is BIRAC's Social Innovation Fellowship Programme aimed at creating a pool of **biotech and biomedical "Social Innovators"** who can identify needs and gaps within communities and then can bridge the gaps either through an innovative product development or services. **The theme for this year is AGEING & ELDERLY HEALTH.**

TIMED will select a multi-disciplinary team of Innovation Fellows and provide them with immersion opportunities, training, mentoring and other resources necessary for implementing social innovations in the theme of **AGEING, GERIATRIC HEALTH & ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES.**

Ample opportunity will be provided to the fellows to visit and interact with care givers, old age homes, rural NGOs, primary, block and community health centres to tertiary health centres, rehabilitation centres etc to understand firsthand the various challenges and identify **the unmet needs of the aged and elderly people.** Apart from clinical needs identification, technical mentors will provide support in understanding the innovation potential, developing prototypes and IPR aspects of the innovation. Business mentors drawn from the pool of successful entrepreneurs will guide the Fellows in making a Business Plan and in making investor pitches.

India is experiencing a rapid ageing of population, with proportion of older people increasing from 8 percent in 2011 to 10 percent in 2020. In the next 30 years, every 5th Indian will be aged 60 years or more. While it is good to note that life expectancy is increasing, it throws up a lot of challenges to ensure that the elderly live a healthy social life with dignity and with minimum dependency on others. The role of technology in ensuring that the elderly have a healthy ageing is very high. The elderly will be encountered by specific health challenges like dementia, visual and hearing disabilities, osteoarthritis etc and the

likelihood of physical injury will also be very high. Therefore, there is a need to identify the specific issues related to geriatric care and come up with solutions based on ground realities.

To implement the project, TIMED requires smart, young, committed and enthusiastic **FELLOWS (4 positions)** and **Programme Manager (1 position)**. The details are as follows:

### **1. TIMED FELLOWS: 4 nos.**

This is a fellowship programme of 18 months.

Tech Savvy smart graduate or post graduates in Engineering/ Lifesciences/ Medicine/ MPH/ PhD /design (product design) with interest in completing the social innovation immersion programme and pursuing entrepreneurial ventures may apply. This is not an offer of employment.

Selected fellows would be designated as "TIMED-BIRAC Social Innovators" and will receive a fellowship of Rs **50,000 pm for 18 months**. At the end of the immersion phase and on successful submission of a proposal, the social innovators will be eligible for a **“kick-start” grant of INR five (5) Lakhs/** Fellow to demonstrate proof-of-concept of their solutions in the theme of **Ageing and Elderly Health**.

The fellows need to work full time and cannot be clubbed with other fellowship/employment.

The 18 months programme will be split up into phases of

**Pre-Immersion Orientation**

**Immersion Programme**

**Post Immersion Filtration**

**Product Design, Prototyping and Delivery**

**Report Submission**

Applications with CV & Photo to be sent by email only to:  
**timedfellow@gmail.com**

Please mark subject as "Timed Fellow-your name"

Also write a small paragraph on your motivation to join this fellowship programme and what are your strengths to solving the problems for Ageing and Geriatric population in our country.

Only those with genuine interest and commitment in the above need apply.

## **2. PROGRAMME MANAGER (SIIP) - On Contract -1 post**

This is a contract position of 18 months to manage the above Social Innovation Immersion Fellowship Programme (SIIP) successfully.

The candidate must be a dynamic and smart graduate or post graduate in Engineering/ Lifesciences/ Medicine/ MPH/ PhD/ Management with sufficient experience in managing an educational/training/entrepreneurship programme. The candidate is also expected to possess excellent communication skills.

The Programme Manager must be able to plan and execute the entire programme under guidance from TIMED/SCTIMST. It will involve implementing the stages of **Pre-Immersion Orientation towards social entrepreneurship, Immersion Programme, Post Immersion Filtration, Product Design, Prototyping and Delivery, Report Submission etc.**

The candidate must schedule training sessions, field visits, visits to hospitals, old age homes etc, organise mentoring sessions, review meetings etc apart from mentoring, motivating and leading the fellows towards fulfilment of SIIP objectives.

Age below 40 years preferred. Consolidated Salary Rs 50,000 pm  
(Negotiable for exceptional candidates)

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Please mark subject as "Programme Manager SIIP-your name"

Also write a small paragraph on your motivation to join this fellowship programme and what are your strengths to lead this programme.

**LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATION is 30th  
November 2017**

Shortlisted candidates only will be called for interview/presentation in  
the 2nd week of December. Selected candidates will be required to join  
on 3rd Jan 2018.

The decision of the selection committee will be final and binding on  
the applicants. No further communication will be entertained.

This is a project funded by BIRAC (<http://www.birac.nic.in>) and the  
terms and conditions of BIRAC's SIIP scheme will apply from time to  
time.

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Chief Executive Officer  
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