

## Admission for Ph.D. Programme of Academy of Scientific & Innovative Research (AcSIR) at CSIR-CFTRI – January 2026 Session

CSIR-Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysuru is a premier National Institute of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, New Delhi. CSIR-CFTRI is committed to excel in Research & Innovation, Knowledge Dissemination, Technology Transfer and Human Resource Development in the areas of Food Science and Technology through quality attributes to be practiced and implemented at all levels.

The focus of research & innovation in diverse disciplines of food science and technology including Food Engineering (Process development and Equipment design, Biochemical Engineering, Downstream Processing and Bioreactor design) etc. is very well supported by excellent infra-structure, state-of-the-art instrumental and pilot plant facilities and advanced research training. CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru offers an excellent research & innovative environment for students who wish to pursue **full time Doctoral (Ph.D.) Research Programme in Sciences and Engineering under Academy of Scientific & Innovative Research (AcSIR)**.

CSIR-CFTRI under AcSIR invites applications from eligible candidates for full-time Doctoral (Ph.D.) Research Programme in Sciences and Engineering for the January 2026 session

### A. Eligibility criteria for Ph.D. Science (Biological) and Ph.D. Science (Chemical):

**Qualifying degree:** Master's degree in science with minimum 55% marks (without rounding off) or equivalent grade for General (UR)/General-EWS and minimum 50% marks (without rounding off) or equivalent grade for OBC (NCL)/SC/ST, Third gender and Persons with Disability (PwD).

OR

4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme with minimum 75% marks (without rounding off) or equivalent grade for General (UR)/General-EWS and minimum 70% marks (without rounding off) or equivalent grade for OBC (NCL)/SC/ST, third gender and Persons with Disability (PwD) from the recognized University.

#### Eligible categories:

National-level fellowship: Applicant should have a valid National-level Fellowship (JRF/ SRF of any funding agency, e.g. CSIR, ICMR, UGC, DBT, DST, etc.) or any other equivalent fellowship like DBT-BET, INSPIRE, RGNF, etc. (Tenable at all AcSIR associated Research Institutes except ICMR Institutes).

OR

Industry Sponsored candidates<sup>#</sup>: Endorsement (NOC) from the current employer is mandatory. (TENABLE at all AcSIR associated Research Institutes)

### B. Eligibility criteria for Ph.D. Engineering:

**Qualifying degree:** Master's degree in Engineering or Technology (after a four-year engineering/technology degree or with an integrated 5-year B.Tech./M.Tech. degree or equivalent) with minimum 55% marks (without rounding off) or equivalent grade for General (UR)/General-EWS and minimum 50% marks (without rounding off) or equivalent grade for OBC (NCL)/SC/ST, Third gender and Persons with Disability (PwD).

OR

Bachelor's in Engineering or Technology (B.E./B.Tech.) with minimum 75% marks (without rounding off) or equivalent grade for General (UR)/General-EWS and minimum 70% marks (without rounding off) or equivalent grade for OBC (NCL)/SC/ST, third gender and Persons with Disability (PwD) from the recognized University.

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OR

**Self-sponsored**

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**Additional Information**

1. Applicants whose final results of the eligibility degree are awaited can also apply. If selected, they will be provisionally admitted to the program. Their continuation in the program will be subject to securing required percentage/ equivalent grade (depending on the cut-off marks for screening for the specific program), submission of marks-sheet of their final result, and meeting the other eligibility criteria, at the time of joining the program.
2. <sup>#</sup>AcSIR encourage working professional to pursue their Research as an Industrial Sponsored candidate. If a working professional show interest in research and his/her employer allows then they can apply in AcSIR as an Industry sponsored candidate. NOC from the current employer is mandatory
3. The tuition fee once paid by the student selected for PhD admission to any AcSIR Research Institute, would henceforth be transferable to any other AcSIR-associated institute, where the student has been also selected for admission in the PhD program (including being selected from the waiting list), subject to the availability of seats. The tuition fee would only be transferable till the commencement of the academic session, as notified by AcSIR-HQs. for admission to that particular semester.

--Applicants qualifying their degree in percentage shall use the formula,  $CGPA = (\text{Percentage} + 5) / 10$ . Applicants with percentage  $\geq 95\%$ , shall fill 10 CGPA in the Online Application Form.

AcSIR itself does not provide any such scholarship or have any rule in these matters.

**How to Apply:**

Interested candidates who fulfil the eligibility criteria can apply online **<http://acsir.res.in>**. The online application will close on **21.10.2025**. For more details about application and admission procedures, candidates are requested to visit the website **[\[http://acsir.res.in\]](http://acsir.res.in)**.

**Application fee Rs. 1000 for General/OBC/EWS and Rs. 500 for the SC/ST/PWD candidates**

**Selection:**

Selection for admission to Ph.D. programmes of AcSIR at CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru shall be on the basis of Aptitude tests/Interviews (online or in person) of shortlisted Candidates to be held at CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru. **Candidates are advised to visit the AcSIR website for dates of interview.**

No TA & DA shall be paid to the shortlisted Candidates for attending the Aptitude tests/interviews at CSIR-CFTRI, Mysuru. Further, they should make their own arrangements for accommodation and food.