The Birla Institute of Technology (BIT) is among the leading technical universities of the country. The contributions of the institute in the field of technological and professional education and research have been well recognized and have been supported by the Government of India and Government of Jharkhand.

BIT is looking for Faculty members for its Centre for Applied Biotechnology at the level of Professor, Reader and Lecturer. Candidates with teaching/research experience in bioprocess engineering, molecular biology, microbiology, biochemistry, microbial/plant/animal biotechnology, bioinformatics may apply with detailed biodata, list of publications, names of two referees, two passport-size photographs and demand draft of Rs 50 for each post, payable to Birla Institute of Technology, Mesra, Ranchi. The Institute follows UGC/AICTE pay scales and State DA as well as eligibility criteria prescribed. All applications are to be sent to the office of Vice Chancellor. TA/DA will be payable for attending selection interview as per rules.

The Sir Dorabji Tata Centre for Research in Tropical Diseases (SDTC), in association with the Department of Microbiology and Cell Biology, Indian Institute of Science (IISC), announces the Fourth Sir Dorabji Tata Symposium on Acute Respiratory Disease to be held at the National Science Seminar Complex, IISC, on 10–11 March 2003.

The symposium will focus on Acute Respiratory Disease with presentations from frontline workers in the fields from Bangalore: Command Hospital (AF), Mallige Medical Centre, Lakeside Medical Centre and Hospital, Regional Occupational Health Centre (Southern) (National Institute of Occupational Health ICMR) and SOCHARA; Kalyani (WB): Kalyani University; Mumbai: Breach Candy Hospital; New Delhi: Defence Institute of Physiology and Allied Sciences, Institute of Nuclear Medicine and Allied Sciences, Institute of Pathology and V.P. Chest Institute; Pune: Armed Forces Medical College, Military Hospital (Cardiothoracic Centre) and National Institute of Virology; Vellore: Christian Medical College.

Two satellite symposia on ‘High Altitude Pulmonary Disease’ and ‘Acute Respiratory Disease in the Community’ are part of the programme.

A poster session would also be held for workers in the field.

Scientists, Research Workers and healthcare professionals are welcome to register.

Registration Fee: Rs 250 by Demand Draft in favour of Society for Innovation and Development a/c SDTC payable at Bangalore.

Last Date for Registration: 21 February 2003.

Apply to: Sir Dorabji Tata Centre for Research in Tropical Diseases, Innovation Centre, Indian Institute of Science Campus, Bangalore 560 012; Tel: 3466007–8; Telefax: 3466006, 3314314; E-mail: sdtc265iisc@vsnl.net.

Indicating: (Prof./D), (M/F), Full Name, Designation, Official and residential address, Area of interest, Meal Preference (Veg./Nonveg.), Accommodation required or not and Communication details (addresses, Telephone, Fax and E-mail).