

KARNATAKA BIOTECHNOLOGY APTITUDE TEST (KBAT) for Admission of students to Biotechnology Finishing Schools (BTFS) for post graduate diploma in specialized biotechnology-related job-oriented courses

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The fast growing biotechnology sector in Karnataka has been facing severe shortage of industry-ready graduates and post-graduates for a long time. In an effort to fulfill the needs of the industry, the Karnataka government in association with the Vision Group, ABLE and Industry representatives has developed a mechanism to provide employment opportunities in the sector.

In the Millennium Biotech Policy-II, the Government of Karnataka has initiated establishment of finishing schools across the state. Twelve BT Finishing Schools (BTFS) have been established in Karnataka with appropriate course content and duration to equip graduates and post-graduates with necessary employable skills and to make them industry ready. All 12 BTFS will be commencing their courses from September 2011.

Applications are invited from interested students for admission into post-graduate diploma in specialized areas of biotechnology for the academic session 2011-12. Admissions will be through an online entrance test followed by an interview.

**Course Duration:** One year

**Eligibility:** Candidates must have a minimum of 50% in Masters degree from Universities of the state or any other University recognized as equivalent in Life Sciences, Biotechnology, Microbiology, Biochemistry or any other life science related courses; B.E./B.Tech. – Biotechnology; Bachelor of Pharmacy, Agriculture, Veterinary, MBBS and BDS are also eligible to apply.

**Important Dates:**

**Last date for Submission of online application:** July 31, 2011, 17:30 Hrs.

**Online Entrance Test:** August 6 & 7, 2011

**Results:** August 11, 2011

**Interview at Bangalore:** August 25 – 31, 2011

**Bank details :**

Exam Application Fees: Rs. 400.

This fee is to be paid prior to filling the application form.

Students should transfer the application fee amount of Rs. 400 using the NEFT transfer mode.

**Details Required to make the transfer:**

Name of the Beneficiary: KBITS-BTFS-KBAT

Account No. 2827201001221.

Name and Complete address of receiving Bank: Canara Bank, KSFC Complex, 1/1, Thimmaiah Road, Vasanthnagar, Bangalore-560 052.

Branch IFSC Code: CNRB0002827

**Students please note:** Make a note of the NEFT transfer number carefully.  
This NEFT number has to be mentioned on the application form.