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## PUBLIC NOTICE

### Announcement of the Khorana Program for Scholars 2025 – Summer Internship Opportunity in the USA

The Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Government of India, in collaboration with the Indo-U.S. Science and Technology Forum (IUSSTF), is pleased to announce the **Khorana Program for Scholars 2025**. This prestigious program honors the legacy of **Dr. Har Gobind Khorana**, Nobel Laureate in Physiology or Medicine, and provides an exceptional opportunity for Indian students to gain research exposure at leading U.S. universities for a duration of 10-12 weeks during the summer of 2025 (June to September 2025). The primary aim of the program is to nurture the next generation of scientists and technologists by providing them exposure to advanced research environments and the opportunity to collaborate on cutting-edge R&D initiatives in biotechnology and related fields.

The Khorana Program is open to pre-final year students enrolled in various science and technology disciplines, including B.Tech, M.Tech, MSc, BE, ME, Integrated BS-MS, BSc, BVSc, MVSc, B Pharma, M Pharma, MBBS, and Master in Medical Science and Technology (MMST) other relevant fields at recognized institutions of higher education in India having interest in Biotechnology and allied areas. The scholarship under the program includes stipend, airfare, and health insurance.

#### **Application Deadline: 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

For additional program details and application procedures, students are advised to visit the **DBT** and **IUSSTF** websites (<https://iusstf.org/khorana-program-for-scholars>) or refer to the contact details provided in the attached flyer.

There no financial liability on part of UGC for this program.

(Dr. Archana Thakur)

Encl. : As above.



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Date: 19.09.2024

**Office Memorandum**

Subject: Wider Publicity among students regarding Announcement of the Khorana Program for Scholars 2025 to carry out summer internship in the USA.

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In order to ensure maximum participation and wider publicity, the undersigned is directed to request you to promote circulation of this opportunity via internal communication channels, notice boards, and to relevant departments/institutions within your organisation.

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Your cooperation in promoting the DBT - Khorana Program for Scholars 2025 is highly appreciated.

(Dr. Manoj Kumar)

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Department of Biotechnology  
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Government of India

To:

1. Secretary UGC, with the request to kindly arrange to upload at UGC website for information to all universities.
2. Secretary, Indian Association of Universities,
3. Directors of all IITs, IISERS, AIIMS, NITs, etc.
4. Directors of DBT AIs.



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Government of India



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# KHORANA Program for SCHOLARS

The Department of Biotechnology (**DBT**), Government of India and the Indo-U.S. Science and Technology Forum (**IUSSTF**) have partnered to support the prestigious **Khorana Program for Scholars** named in honor of Dr. Har Gobind Khorana, who won the Nobel Prize in 1968 for his work on deciphering the genetic code.

The Khorana Program provides opportunities to Indian students to get research exposure at leading U.S. universities over Summer 2025 for a period of 10-12 weeks.

## Program Objectives:

- To provide exposure to world class scientific research facilities.
- Nurture the next generation of scientists and technologists to build long term R&D collaborations.
- Enable under-grad and post grad students to pursue higher education and research-based careers.
- Promote capacity building in frontline areas of biotechnology and bio-quantitative sciences.

## Eligibility:

- Pre-final year students enrolled in B Tech, M Tech, MSc, BE, ME, MS, Integrated BS - MS, BSc, BVSc, MVSc, B Pharm, M Pharm, MBBS, and Master in Medical Science and Technology (MMST) at recognized institutions of higher education in India in Biotechnology and allied areas are eligible to apply.
- First Year, Final Year and PhD students are NOT eligible to apply.
- Preference will be given to students without prior international research experience.

## Scholarship includes:

- Stipend
- Airfare
- Health Insurance

For additional program information, please visit  
**[www.iusstf.org](http://www.iusstf.org)**

## For program information contact:

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