# **Bioentrepreneurship Certification Programme**

#### Introduction

Kerala Biotechnology Commission has initiated the Bioentrepreneurship Certification Programme with the aim to attract students who have completed UG/PG courses in Biotechnology and allied subjects towards entrepreneurship; by providing them the knowledge about the entire venture creation process, from ideas generation to build viable innovation driven businesses and mentoring them to have their own ventures. KBC partners with biotech based startups / industries in the state in conducting the programme.

## **Eligibility**

Students who are pursuing or have completed the under graduation / post–graduation course in Biotechnology and allied areas are eligible to apply.

#### **Features**

The programme is conducted in three levels:

- 1. Bio-entrepreneurship Basic Certification (BBC) course
  - This is a one day programme with a maximum of 4-hour duration. This programme offers an exposure to basics of bioenterpreneurship, its requirements, productization and marketing, investment and the business sustainability etc. Based on a 30-minute course assessment test, a maximum of 10% of the total participants will be selected to attend the second level course.
- 2. Bioentrepreneurship Advanced Certification (BAC) course
  - This a one-week programme, which mainly focused to teach the detailed information about Innovations/Novel applications; problem solving options; prototyping; product; market plan, investment plan and future plan strategy to aspiring student entrepreneurs. This programme provides the participants, direct interaction with experienced mentors, on different aspects of bioentrepreneurship. There will be a 30 minutes pitch assessment test; selected participants will be provided an opportunity for the third level industrial certification course.
- 3. Bioentrepreneurship Industrial Certification (BIC) Course
  - This is a one-year programme that offers to provide an exposure on the entire venture creation process, from ideas generation to building viable innovation driven business. The selected students from the first two-levels will be enrolled to the one-year Bioentrepreneurship Industrial Certification (BIC) Programme with a stipend of Rs. 20,000/- per month offered by KBC for one-

year bioenterpreneurship training in the partnering industry; the convenience fee @ Rs. 25,000/-per candidate will be provided to the industry by KBC. The candidate is expected to acquire necessary skills and training by the end of the training period so as to have own ventures / to get placement in biotech industries.

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