

# BIMSTEC-INDIA MARINE RESEARCH NETWORK (BIMReN)

## SPLIT-SITE DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

A Joint Initiative by



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### CALL FOR PROPOSALS



Bay of Bengal Initiative for  
Multi-Sectoral Technical & Economic  
Cooperation (BIMSTEC)  
is a regional multilateral organisation.

### The BIMSTEC-INDIA MARINE RESEARCH NETWORK (BIMReN)

A joint initiative by the **Ministry of External Affairs of India (MEA)** and the **Bay of Bengal Programme Inter Governmental Organisation (BOBP-IGO)**, is a platform for facilitating collaboration among the researchers in the Bay of Bengal Region, for sustainable development of blue economy by networking the researchers in the BIMSTEC Member Countries.

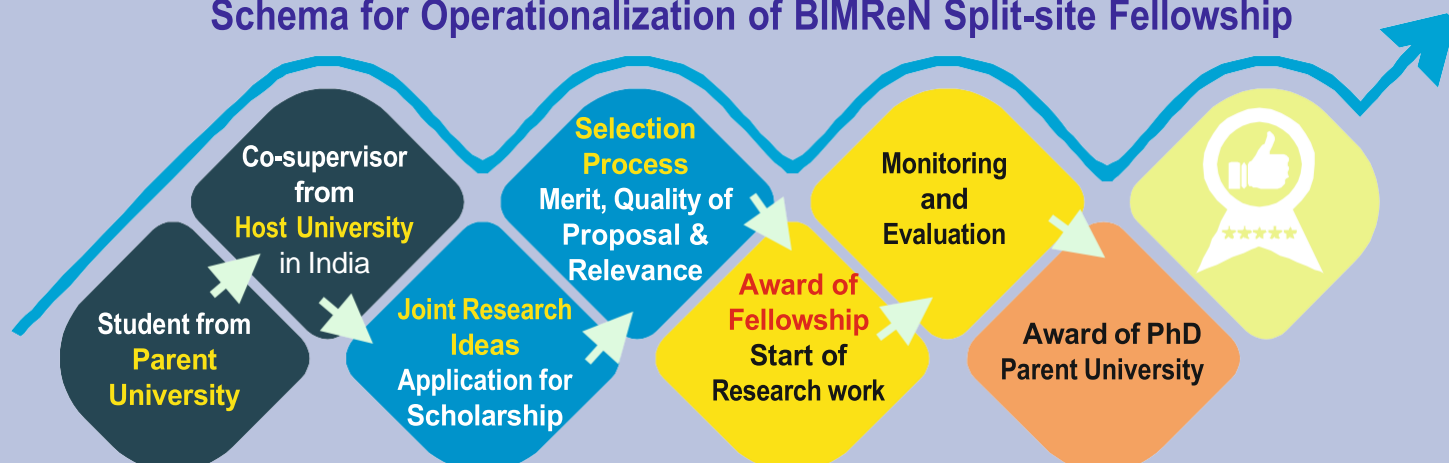
### About the fellowship

- The BIMReN Split-site Fellowship aims at exposing the doctoral researchers from the BIMSTEC Member Countries to the premier research laboratories and Universities in the field of fisheries/ marine/ ocean sciences.
- Under this, a doctoral candidate registered at a UNESCO-recognized university in the BIMSTEC Countries can avail the fellowship to attach Indian research Labs for 6-12 months and undertake part of his/her doctoral research.

### Who can apply?

- A permanent resident of the BIMSTEC Member Countries other than India, pursuing PhD from a UNESCO-recognised university.
- A national of BIMSTEC Member Country, undertaking PhD in any recognised University in a country outside the region, can also apply.
- Should possess Master's degree in a relevant discipline.
- Should have completed all necessary coursework, at the time of sending the application.

### Schema for Operationalization of BIMReN Split-site Fellowship



## Key features of the fellowship

**Grant Value: INR 1 million / student**

Research Contingency including travel - 40%; Living Allowance - 60% to support 12 person-months @ INR 50,000 /mon.]

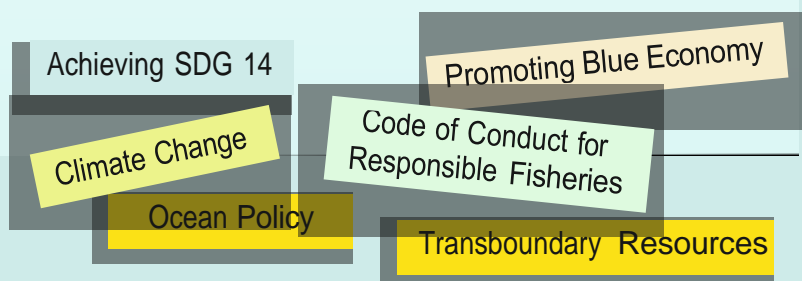
**Tenure: 6 to 12 months** (extendable for 3 months without any additional cost)

The tenure can be divided into two periods if permitted by the Parent University and the Host Institute in India.

**Flexibility:** The fellowship does not cover tuition fees, bench fees, health care, etc; however, the candidate may use the fellowship amount for said purposes at one's own discretion.

**Problem statement:** Should state how the research concerns the Bay of Bengal region or the BIMSTEC Member Countries.

### Potential Research Themes



### NETWORKING SUPPORT SERVICES

The BIMReN cell at BOBP-IGO will facilitate networking among potential researchers from different organizations in the region.

If interested, please write to [bimren@bobpigo.org](mailto:bimren@bobpigo.org) / [info@bobpigo.org](mailto:info@bobpigo.org)

Collaborate cross-country

Enhance regional research capacity

Build evidence based fisheries management

Recognize traditional knowledge and cultural connect

Create community of Practitioners

The call is open till 20 April 2025 for the first round

**Proposals will be reviewed during the third week of every month.**

Decision on the proposals will be notified to applicants within 30 days of their submission.

**Be an Early Bird to Grab the Fellowship**



### HOW TO APPLY?

Visit [www.bobpigo.org](http://www.bobpigo.org) to download Operational Guidelines of the Grant



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