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**NOTIFICATION FOR ENGAGEMENT OF APPRENTICES UNDER APPRENTICES
(AMENDMENT) ACT, 1973.**

The Director, ICAR – National Research Centre for Banana, Thogamalai Road, Thayanur Post, Tiruchirappalli – 620 102, Tamil Nadu (STNTCC089613) invites online applications from eligible Graduate / Diploma holders in Science / Engineering (passed out during 2022 / 2023 / 2024 / 2025 /2026), for undergoing one year Apprenticeship training under the Apprentices (Amendment) Act 1973.

I. Category: Graduate & Technician (Diploma) Apprentices:

S.No.	Discipline	Graduate	Technician	Monthly stipend
1.	B.Sc. (Biotechnology)	2	-	Rs.12300/- per month
2.	B.Sc. (Botany)	2	-	Rs.12300/- per month
3.	B.Sc. (Life Science)	6	-	Rs.12300/- per month
4.	B.Sc. (Agriculture / Horticulture)	4	-	Rs.12300/- per month
5.	B.Sc. (Biochemistry)	1	-	Rs.12300/- per month
6.	B.Sc. (Chemistry)	1	-	Rs.12300/- per month
7.	B.C.A / B.Sc. (Computer Science)	2	-	Rs.12300/- per month
8.	Diploma (Agriculture / Horticulture)	-	2	Rs.10900/- per month
Total		20		

II. Eligibility:

Qualification: B.Sc. / Diploma passed (in the years 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026 only) and who have registered in MHRD NATS Portal (www.mhrdnats.gov.in), which is mandatory.

III. MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

Category – I Graduate Apprentices:

- A Degree in Biotechnology / Botany / Life Science / Agriculture / Horticulture / Biochemistry / Chemistry / BCA / Computer Science (Regular – Full time) granted by statutory University / Deemed University in relevant discipline – UGC approved.

Category -II Technician Apprentices:

- A Diploma in Agriculture / Horticulture (Regular – Full time) granted by statutory University / Deemed University in relevant discipline – UGC approved.

IV. AGE:

Age limit will be followed as per Apprenticeship rules.

V. RESERVATION OF VACANCIES:

Guidelines under Apprentices Act Reservation for SC/ST/OBC/PWD will be followed. The aspirants who are claiming reservation under SC/ST/OBC/PWD shall provide certificate, as per Government standard format, failing which their claim for reservation will be considered as 'General' category only. If BC candidates claim in OBC category, they should furnish OBC certificate, as per the Government prescribed (OBC) format from the certificate issuing Authority / Tahsildar (if authorized).

VI. MINIMUM PHYSICAL STANDARDS:

As prescribed in Clause 4 of the Apprenticeship Rule 1992, and amendments thereof, if any.

VII. DURATION OF TRAINING:

The duration of Apprenticeship training will be for a period of ONE year as per Apprentice (Amendment) Act 1973.

VIII. PREVIOUS TRAINING / EXPERIENCE:

Candidates who have already undergone or currently undergoing Apprenticeship under Apprentices (Amendment) Act 1973 or having one year or more experience are not eligible to apply.

IX. SELECTION PROCEDURE:

MODE AND CRITERIA OF ENGAGEMENT OF APPRENTICES:

- A. Engagement of Graduate and Technician Apprentices will be purely made on merit basis of aggregate marks obtained by the candidates in Graduate and Diploma respectively.
- B. Preference will be given to the children of VPA Employees i.e. the children of deceased employees / medically invalidated & superannuated employees / serving employees respectively.
- C. The final rank list would be prepared according to categories General / SC / ST / OBC / after certificate verification comprising of ADT BoAT (SR) and Officials ICAR – NRC for Banana, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu.

X. PROCEDURE FOR REGISTRATION AND SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION:

NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE FOR BANANA (STNTCC089613)

Category 'A' – For students who have already enrolled in the old National Web Portal (www.mhrdnats.gov.in) and having login details.	Category 'B' – For students who have already enrolled in the New National Web Portal (www.nats.education.gov.in) and having login details.
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Step 1: - Type the URL https://nats.education.gov.in - Click student - Click student login - Click forgot password - Enter registered email id to get activation link & reset password Step 2: - Student login - Enter registered email id & new password - Complete application form - A unique enrolment number (12 digit) for each student will be generated After completion of enrolment (new portal migration) process For applying - Login with email id with new password - Under “Apply against advertised vacancies” search ‘ICAR – NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE FOR BANANA’ - Click apply (You can see the status as “applied”)	For applying - Login with email id with password - Under “Apply against advertised vacancies” search ‘ICAR – NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE FOR BANANA’ - Click apply (You can see the status as “applied”). Category ‘C’- (First time enrolment) For students who have not so far enrolled in the National Web Portal Step 1: - Type the URL https://nats.education.gov.in - Click Student - Click Student Register - Complete the application form - A unique Enrolment Number (ATN) 12 digits for each student will be generated after completing the Enrolment For applying - Login with email id and password - Under “Apply against advertised vacancies” search ‘ICAR – NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE FOR BANANA’ - Click apply (You can see the status as “applied”) Please Note: [Upload the B.Sc. / B.C.A. / B.A. / Diploma Provisional Certificate or Consolidated Mark Sheet]. Percentage of marks in the Graduate / Diploma examination is mandatory. Hence, candidates are advised to compulsorily enter percentage of marks in the column “% of marks / CGPA x 10” in the NATS portal. If % of marks is not furnished by the candidature will not be considered.
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XI. TRAVEL EXPENSES:

No TA/DA will be paid for attending certificate verification.

XII. BOARDING / LODGING:

No boarding or lodging expenses are admissible.

Upon completion of the apprenticeship period, 'ICAR – NATIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE FOR BANANA', Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu, shall have no obligation to offer employment to such apprentices nor can an apprentice claim right for employment on the grounds of completion of Apprenticeship. (The VPA does not have any liability to provide regular appointment after completion of Apprentice training)

XIII. IMPORTANT DATES:

S.No.	Activity	Date
1.	Online Application starting date	27.08.2026
2.	Last date for submission of application through Online	17.09.2026

XIV. Certificate verification Venue:

Certificate Verification will be held at ICAR – National Research Centre for Banana, Thogamalai Road, Thayanur Post, Tiruchirappalli – 620 102, Tamil Nadu.

XV. INCOMPLETE / ERRONEOUS ONLINE APPLICATION RECEIVED AFTER DUE DATE WILL BE REJECTED:

No further communication in this regard will be entertained.

Board of Apprenticeship training (SR) / ICAR – NRCB Authority, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu has not entrusted / authorized any individual organization to coordinate (or) liaison on our work. Candidates beware of touts and our office is not responsible for such unwanted incident.

Canvassing / Pressuring through any source will disqualify the candidature and their name will be removed from our official records without prior intimation and this VPA will not be responsible for such cases.

General instructions:

- Before applying, the candidate should ensure that he / she fulfils the eligibility criteria and other norms mentioned in the advertisement.
- Candidates must write their name as it appears in the educational certificate of Secondary or equivalent examination. In case of change of name at a later stage necessary legally accepted documentary proof is to be submitted at the time of interview.
- Incomplete applications will be rejected.
- Request for change of mailing address / category / discipline / qualification once declared in the online application form will not be entertained.

- e) Any canvassing or personal follow up with an intention of inducing the process of selection of apprentice by and on behalf of any candidate shall lead to immediate cancellation of candidature.
- f) The candidates are advised not to fall prey to any touts / agents in any way for this enrolment.
- g) No Travelling Allowance or other expenses will be made admissible to the candidates appearing for the interview etc.
- h) The Director, ICAR – NRCB, Tiruchirappalli, reserves the right to withdraw / cancel the advertisement / selection process, if circumstances so warrant, without assigning any reason thereof.
- i) Candidates prior to applying on the ICAR – NRCB website, have to enrol themselves on the NATS website (www.mhrdnats.gov.in)

***NOTE:-** The interview schedule to the eligible shortlisted candidates will be communicated, through candidate's Registered Mobile number and Email address only.

FOR ANY CLARIFICATION CANDIDATES MAY CONTACT through Email:
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