



MAURITIUS RESEARCH COUNCIL

WARFSA POST-GRADUATE AWARD

Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) Research Projects

(IWSD: Institute of Water and Sanitation Development, Zimbabwe; WARFSA: Water Research Fund for Southern Africa; Sida: Swedish International Development Agency; DANIDA: Danish International Development Agency)

The Mauritius Research Council invites applications under the WARFSA Post Graduate Award Scheme, which is funded by Sida and DANIDA.

This Postgraduate Award specifically targets both unemployed and employed graduates to undertake research studies at a local tertiary education institution, leading to an MPhil. Funds can be made available **exceptionally** for PhD, subject to non-identification of potential candidates for MPhil. The MRC anticipates awarding, on a competitive basis, a maximum of **4** such postgraduate awards under the current funding agreement with IWSD. The areas for the research studies must be from the following water-related sectors:

- (a) Waste Water Management
- (b) Irrigation (Sugar & Non-Sugar crops)
- (c) Water Quality & Sanitation
- (d) Fresh water from the sea
- (e) Water Policy Research
- (f) Hydrology
- (g) Pollution of Aquifers
- (h) Climate Change & Changing Patterns of Precipitation

Other proposals falling under the Integrated Water Resources Management Sector will also be considered.

Eligibility

Applicants should possess at least a first degree in a relevant field, should meet the registration criteria and follow the registration procedures of the institution where the research study will be carried out. Selected candidates should be prepared to register at their respective institution by 28 March 2008.

Note: Applicants in full-time employment should provide evidence from their employer that they will be granted adequate release to undertake the part-time research studies.

Funding

The grant for the Award will contribute towards the general and tuition fees of the student, which will not exceed Rs 125,000 per student. Studies should be completed within 3 years as from award of grant for full-time students and 4 years for part-time students.

Application

Prospective applicants are requested to forward to the Council their proposals, based on a template which can be downloaded at www.mrc.org.mu/Warfesa.htm or collected at the MRC. Applicants may wish to discuss their proposals with the Research Staff of MRC and will be dealt with in strict confidentiality. Only proposals falling under water-related sectors will be retained for selection.

Deadline: All applications should reach the Council by 26th October 2007.

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