

# Women Involvement in Science and Engineering Research (WISER) programme

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**In news**– The first 11 awardees of the WISER programme were felicitated recently.

## **WISER programme-**

- IGSTC-WISER intends to build scientific capacity, retain and promote women researchers in India/Germany by utilising complementary expertise in science, technology, innovation, and research partnerships.
- The Indo-German Science & Technology Centre (IGSTC) was established by the Department of Science & Technology (DST), Government of India and the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Government of Germany.
- This **scheme is designed for women researchers holding a regular/long-term research** position in academia/research institute/industry in India or Germany.
- **It is open to all areas of STEM.** It is a unique opportunity to be a part of an ongoing research project without applying for a fresh project grant.
- **The tenure of the grant is for 3 years** or till completion of the project whichever is earlier and will cover one visit per year for short stay up to 1 month.
- WISER programme has no age-limit (Preference to Early/Mid-career researchers).
- Through this scheme, women researchers/entrepreneurs holding a regular position in academic/research institutions/industrial research organisations in India/Germany may apply to be a part of an ongoing R&D project of interest with acceptance from the host team.
- Women holding regular/long-term research position in academia or research institute/industry can apply for

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