

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

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### **1. what is meant by Accelerator facility?**

The facility is meant for food start-up entrepreneurs which are technology driven providing mentorship, strategic direction and access to external mentors and partners.

### **2. what kind of services can be available by joining to this facility?**

The incubatees are entitled to have various facilities available in the park for a nominal charge. They can also avail other services from the host institution on chargeable basis.

### **3. Who are eligible to join the Accelerator?**

Start-up Companies, SMEs, entrepreneurs/individuals with innovative ideas for the development of new products/processes can register with the park.

### **4. Now one can get admitted to the Accelerator?**

Guidelines are hosted in the CSIR-CFTRI-FBA website.

### **5. What is the time taken to start working as an incubatee?**

Normally it takes 15days after registration.

### **6. What are the facilities available to incubatee?**

Incubatees will be provided with office space, and other Facilities including Pilot Plant on a case by case basis.

### **7. I have an innovative idea which is not related to Food business. Can I apply for registration?**

It would also support innovative ideas in the area of food processing and technology.

### **8. What is the tenure of the incubation?**

Initially the incubation period is fixed for 12 months. However, it can be extended for another six months with due-approval.

### **9. What are the incentives offered by CSIR-CFTRI-FBA to start an enterprise?**

The facility is open to entrepreneurs from all the states. However, the Accelerator would provide 20% discount for using Pilot Plant facility to entrepreneurs.

### **10. Is there any academic qualification necessary for registration?**

There is no essential qualification required for applying for registration. But you should have an understanding of the domain knowledge.

### **11. Is there any fee for registration?**

There is a nominal fee required for registration.

**12. How the expenditure is met for laboratory consumables of the incubatee?**

Cost of chemicals & consumables are to be borne by the incubatee

**13. Will I be provided with manpower to do the lab work?**

Your firm can hire their personnel for carrying out the work.

**14. Do I have to come for registration with funding?**

Not necessarily. But you must have some source of funding primarily for basic requirement.

**15. I am not an incubatee. But I want to use the Common Instrumentation Facility and I am ready to pay any charges for it. Will I be allowed?**

The host institution has such services and you can write to the Coordinator/Incubation Scientist for using such services.

**16. With whom the ownership of the Intellectual Property Rights lies?**

The ownership of IPR lies with the incubatee unless any technical support from the host institution is involved.

**17. Are there any technical persons to help me to use analytical instruments?**

The host institution will assist in operating sophisticated instruments like GC, HPLC, etc.

**18. Will the incubator help in marketing of the product obtained by incubation?**

The facility is not meant for manufacturing. However, test marketing can be tried by incubatee.

**19. Can the incubatee go for the large scale production using the incubator facility?**

The required volumes of the product for sample testing/ test marketing are supported.

**20. Whether incubatee will be allowed to leave the facility before the tenure. What is the procedure?**

A request has to be made to the with one-month notice.

**21. Is it possible to transfer the technology developed during the incubation period?**

Yes. The host institution will assist in technology transfer to any third party.

**22. Whom should I contact for further information on the CSIR-CFTRI-FBA?**

You can write to:

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