

Ramalingaswami Re-entry Fellowship — India's Life-Sciences Reverse-Brain-Drain Programme

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Quality score: 57/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

India's Ramalingaswami Re-entry Fellowship has funded the return of 312 overseas life scientists since 2007, with 203 absorbed into Indian faculty positions and over 800 resulting publications — a tracked, discipline-specific reverse-brain-drain scheme.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	1/3
Sustainability / continuity	3/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-08

[Department of Biotechnology \(DBT\) / Regional Centre for Biotechnology \(RCB\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-08

[Regional Centre for Biotechnology — Ramalingaswami Re-entry Fellowship programme page](#) — accessed 2026-09-08

[ResearchStash](#) — coverage of DBT reverse-brain-drain results — accessed 2026-09-08

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