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The Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), a premier institute of social science research and education, invites applications for the following positions under the project titled "**Evaluation of the Capacity Building Programme on Participatory Water Resource Management**".

1. Research Associate (1 Post)

Department: School of Rural Development, Tulajapur Campus

Duration: 6 months

Remuneration: ₹ 47,000 per month

Key Responsibilities:

- Conduct lead field research and coordinate with stakeholders involved in water resource management.
- Develop and implement evaluation tools, and assist in data analysis.
- Contribute to the writing of reports, policy briefs, and the dissemination of findings.
- Supervise and mentor Research Assistants, Field Investigators and interns.
- Collect the data from the field.

Eligibility:

- Master in Social Sciences, Social Work, Rural Development and related discipline.
- A PhD or MPhil degree in Social Sciences, Rural Development, Water Resource Management, or / NET in the related field is required.
- Minimum 2 years of experience as research assistant in participatory water governance, evaluation studies, capacity-building initiatives, or rural development is necessary.

- Strong proficiency in qualitative and/or quantitative research methods is essential.
- Excellent writing and communication skills in English are required. Proficiency in Marathi is desirable.

2. Research Assistant (1 Post)

Department: School of Rural Development, Tulajapur Campus

Duration: 3 months

Remuneration: ₹ 37,000 per month

Key Responsibilities:

- Assist field Investigators in the primary and secondary data Collection (including stakeholder interviews and documentation).
- Monitor the filed data collection in the field.
- Support data entry, transcription, and preliminary analysis.
- Provide logistical and administrative support for the project.
- Support Research Associate to write report.

Eligibility:

- A PhD/ MPhil/ Master's degree in Social Sciences with NET, Rural Studies, Development Studies, Environmental Studies, or a related discipline (55% minimum)
- Prior experience in field work, data collection, research reports. Experience on water-related projects is highly valued and desirable.
- The ability to travel all over Marathwada region of Maharashtra to field locations wherever it is essential.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills in English and Marathi are necessary.

2. Field Investigator (2 Post)

Department: School of Rural Development, Tulajapur Campus

Duration: 2 months

Remuneration: ₹ 20,000 per month

Key Responsibilities:

- Field data collection, stakeholder interviews, focus group discussions, case studies and documentation.
- Data entry and transcription of the collected data.

Eligibility:

- Master's degree in Social Sciences, Social work, Rural Studies, Development Studies, Environmental Studies, or related disciplines with minimum 55% Marks
- Prior experience in fieldwork research or working on water-related projects will be a valuable asset.
- A willingness to travel to field locations is essential.
- Strong communication skills in English and Marathi are required.

Application

Process:

Interested candidates are requested to send their CV, a cover letter, and one writing sample (for the post of Research Associate post) to devidas.kadam@tiss.ac.in with the subject line: *Application for [Research Associate / Research Assistant / Field Investigator] - Water Resource Management Project* by **30th April, 2025**.

Only shortlisted candidates will be called for the interview online Interview.

Further information please contact Project Leader, Evaluation of the Capacity Building Programme on Participatory Water Resource Management Project, School of Rural Development, TISS, Tuljapur – 413601 E-Mail: rameshjare@tiss.ac.in