TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

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Non-faculty positions at the Centre for Education Innovation and Action Research (CEI&AR)

The Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) which was established in 1936 is a Deemed University fully funded by the University Grant Commission (UGC), Government of India. The TISS offers 46 Master Degree Programmes in a range of Socially relevant inter-disciplinary studies in Social Work, Social Sciences, Education, Health, Management, Labour Studies and Habitat Studies from its Mumbai, Tuljapur, Guwahati and Hyderabad Campuses. It has a strong M.Phil/Ph.D programme, a high degree of freedom and autonomy shape the positive work ethos and creativity in the Institute. The TISS offers a very challenging but fulfilling academic environment and opportunities to practitioners committed to creating a just society through education, generation of knowledge and field action and invites interested persons located within and outside India to apply for the following position at the Centre for Education Innovation and Action Research (CEIAR).

The **Centre for Education Innovation and Action Research** (CEIAR) is an Independent Centre at TISS Mumbai which was established in 2015 to engage with and promote innovation in school curriculum, teacher education and higher education curriculum and pedagogy. The Centre incubates and promotes innovations that address the needs of India education to raise quality and standards and relevant to the developing world, and the innovative use of new technologies and media. The Centre is actively engaged in research, development, teaching, field action/action research and advocacy and offers opportunities for national and international collaboration, innovation and excellence in teaching and research. The Centre is incubating an Initiative for Excellence in Teacher Education, under which new programme of pre and inservice teacher education, institutional strengthening, research and policy and advocacy are being launched.

The **Integrated approach to Technology in Education (ITE)** is a pedagogic framework for integrating technology in teaching and learning. It was first piloted in rural learning centres in East India in 2012. Conceptualised by program personnel at Tata Trusts, ITE provides children an opportunity to authenticate their learning at school using technology, while imparting technological skills and computational thinking that are fast becoming requisites in the 21st century. The Tata Trusts' ITE program is being implemented across eight states with multiple partners. The geographical areas of the program are mainly resource poor, such as in tribal inhabited areas in Eastern and North Eastern States or in urban slums in Maharashtra and West Bengal. The program runs in supplementary learning centres, Madrassahs and public schools. ITE's objectives include bridging the digital divide; fostering digital citizenship, creating an active interest for learning; fostering Higher Order Thinking Skills and significantly improving pedagogies and learning processes. Technology is embedded in the teachers' lesson plans and pedagogy. The teacher designs learning activities and students use technology to construct their own learning. Technology is used as a tool, rather than as an end itself. In the year 2016, the resource support of ITE has been assigned to CEIAR at TISS. The resource support involves capacity building, programmatic improvement and research support. It will also include managing ITE certificate program for ITE partners at TISS. For more information, please visit http://www.tiss.edu/view/11/projects/integrated-approach-to-technology-in-education-ite/

Applications are invited for two positions of Research Co-ordinator for Integrated approach to Technology in Education (ITE) of CEIAR.

Research Coordinator - Two position

The person will provide programmatic, research and training support to the ITE initiative.

Key Responsibilities:

1. Organize, enter, and analyze data related to ITE.
2. Coordinate with ITE partners to collect date and provide support and training on data collection.
3. Coordinate developing and maintaining ITE database
4. Analyze data and create reports
5. Conduct extensive review of literature and write summaries
6. Travel (at least 7 to 8 days a month) to ITE sites all over India to oversee data collection and other research documentation
7. Administer and coordinate research related events
8. Work with teachers on case studies and documentation
9. Oversee assessment and data collection functioning at partner organizations and research assistant.
10. Provide day to day programmatic support to the ITE partners.
11. Facilitate to ITE blogs, website and telegram/WhatsApp groups of ITE teachers and facilitators

Qualifications: Master's degree in with 55 % of marks or equvalent grade in Education, Psychology, Statistics or related field.

Experience: Minimum of two years conducting research, handling data, working with teachers and NGOs in the area of education or education technology. Support the team to mobilze resources for enhancing project activities.

Skills & Competencies Required

1. Strong interest and ability in research in education
2. Knowledge of Research software e.g. Data management and SPSS etc.
3. Committed and ability to deliver in time
4. Draft research reports and proficient in written English
5. Work independently and coordinate with ITE partners including government officials
6. Conduct research seminars and manage some administrative tasks
7. Belief in student centered learning and constructivist pedagogy in education and use of technology in education
8. Ability to travel in remote and rural pockets.
9. Hard working, committed and flexible
10. Knowledge of student-centered technology applications and basic technology in education programs in the country.
11. Good knowledge of basic technology applications in education and social media

Remuneration: Gross monthly remuneration for the position is in the range of Rs. 35,000 to 45,000 per month. It will commensurate with qualification and experience.

Location: Mumbai with 7 to 8 days travel a month.

Application Procedure: Interested candidates are requested to email their resume to **devandhiran.duraipandi@tiss.edu** mentioning subject line as **"Application for the post of Research Co-ordinator** on or before **May 21, 2019.**

Interview: The eligible shortlisted candidates will be communicated by an e-mail and mobile phone to appear for the interview to be conducted at Mumbai in the **week of 27th May 2019.**

Please note that no TA and DA shall be paid to appear for the interview.

Other Conditions:

- The Institute reserves the right to not fill up the vacancies advertised.
- Since applications received may be short listed, merely possessing the prescribed qualifications and the requisite experience would not entitle a person to be called for interview.
- No queries or correspondence regarding issue of call letter for interview / selection of candidates for the post will be entertained at any stage and canvassing in any form is strictly prohibited and will lead to the candidate being debarred from consideration for the post.
- The institute reserves the right to relax qualification of the candidate based on the work experience.
- No TA / DA is payable for appearing for the interview.

The selected candidates has to join within 15 days of their selection.

Project Leader