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Walk-in interview for the post of “Junior Research Fellow /Project Associate -I” under extramural-funded project

Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) Tirupati is a premier autonomous Institution established by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, for promotion of high-quality science education and research in the country.

The institute invites applications from Indian nationals for the following position purely on a contract basis:

Name of the post	Junior Research Fellow /Project Associate -I
Name of the project	To develop novel antiviral platforms and identify drugs against henipaviruses such as Nipah virus and Hendra virus.
Funding Agency	Open Philanthropy
Principal Investigator	Prof. Guruprasad R. Medigeshi
Project Code	30523176
Minimum Qualification & Experience	<p>Essential: Four years Bachelor's Degree in Natural or Agricultural Sciences / Master's Degree in Natural or Agricultural Sciences / BVSc /B. Pharm or Bachelor's degree in Biomedical Engineering/Biotechnology or Medicine from a recognized University or equivalent.</p> <p>Desirable: Experience in mammalian cell culture, virus assays, protein expression and purification, molecular biology techniques.</p>
Monthly emoluments	<p>(i) INR 37,000/- + 9% HRA to Scholars who are selected through (a) National Eligibility Tests - CSIR-UGC NET including Lectureship (Assistant Professorship) or GATE (OR) (b) A selection process through National level examinations conducted by Central Government Departments and their Agencies and Institutions</p> <p>(ii) 30,000/- + 9% HRA for others who do not fall under (i) above</p>
Age	Not more than 30 years on the date of the interview.
No. of post	One (1)
Tenure	The initial offer will be for six months and renewable subject to satisfactory performance. The position is temporary and co-terminus with the project.
Date of walk-in interview	16th March 2026, 9.30 AM – 11.30 AM.
Venue	Department of Biology, IISER Tirupati, Venkatagiri Road, Srinivasapuram-Jangalapalli, Yerpedu Mandal, Tirupati 517619.

HOW TO APPLY: -

1. Interested candidates should bring their application form in the prescribed format available in this advertisement. No other application form will be accepted.
2. Applicants should bring a passport-size photographs and photocopies of relevant certificates and other testimonials in support of age, qualification, experience etc. will be collected.
3. The applicant will be responsible for the authenticity of information submitted / documents and photographs. It is the responsibility of the candidate to assess his / her own eligibility to the post(s) for which he/she is appearing in accordance to this advertisement. If it is detected at any time in future, during the process of selection or even after appointment that the candidate was not eligible as per the prescribed eligibility criteria in this advertisement, which could not be detected at the time of selection for whatsoever reason, his/her candidature/appointment shall be liable to be cancelled/terminated immediately.

GENERAL INFORMATION / DETAILS ABOUT THE POST

1. The appointment is purely temporary and will terminate automatically without any notice or compensation on the termination of the research project.
2. The appointed person shall have no claim of appointment/absorption in the Funding Agency or in IISER Tirupati.
3. Appointment of the applicant will be governed by the terms and conditions of the funding agency, particularly applicable to the said project.
4. The qualification prescribed should have been obtained from recognized Universities / Institutions.
5. The prescribed educational qualifications are the bare minimum, and mere possession of the same does not entitle candidates to be called for an interview. Where the number of applications received in response to this advertisement is large, it will not be convenient or possible to interview all the candidates. Based on the recommendations of the selection committee, the Project Leader may restrict the number of candidates for the interview to a reasonable limit after taking into consideration the qualifications and experience over and above the minimum prescribed in the advertisement.
6. No TA/DA will be admissible for appearing for the interview.
7. The number of posts indicated may increase or decrease as per the Institute requirement.
8. Selected candidates will have to join duty immediately on receipt of the offer.
9. No interim enquiries/ correspondence/ communication of any sort will be entertained on the matter.
10. Canvassing in any form and/or bringing any influence, political or otherwise, will be treated as a disqualification for the post applied for.
11. Candidates selected for this position can also apply for the regular PhD program of IISER Tirupati, provided they satisfy eligibility criteria.