

Advertisement No.: 65/2026

Recruitment for the post of “Junior Research Fellow” under MoEFCC- 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 the 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
Name of the project	Bird Theme - Long Term Ecological Observatory Description Bioacoustics to conduct long-term ecological monitoring for bird populations to understand the biophysical and anthropogenic drivers of ecosystem change and their effect on socio-ecological responses in various landscapes across India. This role will also include project administration duties.
Funding Agency	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)
Principal Investigator	Dr. Robin V. Vijayan
Project Code	30526260
Minimum Qualifications	Essential: 1. Master degree in Biology/Life Sciences or any equivalent discipline with minimum of 55% marks. 2. Applicant should qualify the CSIR-UGC NET/GATE or any National Level Test conducted by Central Govt. Depts. and their agencies. Desirable: • Candidates with a valid 2-wheeler and 4-wheeler driving license and experience • Experience conducting fieldwork for over one year • Experience with bird song and call identification (will be assessed at interview) • Experience with recording bird songs and analysis • Experience in handling bird population data, and survey equipment • Experience in analysis in Raven Pro and BirdNET • Experience with bird handling and ringing techniques
Fellowship	INR 37,000/- + 10% HRA per month (Consolidated)
Age	Not more than 50 years as on the closing date of the advertisement.
No. of post	One (1)
Tenure	The initial offer will be for 12 months and renewable subject to satisfactory performance. The position is temporary and co terminus with the project.
Walk-in-Interview, Venue	10:00 AM, September 15, 2026, 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. Appointment is purely temporary and will terminate automatically without any notice or compensation on termination of the research project.
2. The appointed person shall have no claim of appointment / absorption in 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. Candidates should ensure that they have educational qualifications from recognized University/Institute and requisite experience, if any as on the closing date for submission of application. Those awaiting results of the final examination for the prescribed educational qualification are not eligible and hence should not apply.
6. The prescribed educational qualifications are the bare minimum and mere possession of same does not entitled candidates to be called for interview. Where 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 Screening Committee, the Project Leader may restrict the number of candidates for the interview to a reasonable limit after taking into consideration qualifications and experience over and above the minimum prescribed in the advertisement. Therefore, it will be in the interest of the candidates, to mention all the qualifications and experience in the relevant field at the time of applying.

7. No TA/DA will be admissible for appearing for the interview.
8. Selected candidates will have to join duty immediately on receipt of the offer.
9. The number of posts indicated may increase or decrease as per the Institute requirement.
10. No interim enquiries / correspondence / communication of any sort will be entertained on the matter.
11. Canvassing in any form and / or bringing any influence, political, or otherwise, will be treated as a disqualification for the post applied for.
12. Candidate selected for this position can also apply for the regular PhD program of IISER Tirupati, provided they satisfy eligibility criteria.

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