Advertisement for the post of Project Associate-I in SERB funded Research Project

Applications are invited from the interested and eligible Indian nationals for the position of Project Associate - I in the Science & Engineering Research Board (SERB), Govt. of India sponsored project under the Special Call for Proposals (SCP) scheme with the following details:

Title of the Project: ESTIMATION, DOCUMENTATION AND IN-SITU CONSERVATION OF SECONDARY FUNGAL DIVERSITY (LICHENICOLOUS AND BLACK MERISTEMATIC FUNGI) ASSOCIATED WITH ONE OF THE LEAST EXPLORED ECOLOGICAL NICHE (i.e. LICHENS) FROM COLD DESERTS OF UTTARAKHAND

Principal Investigator (PI): Dr. Yogesh Joshi. Associate Professor, Department of Botany, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur - 302004.

Name of the position: Project Associate - I

Number of Positions: 01

Salary: INR 31,000 + HRA per month if candidate has qualified GATE or CSIR/UGC NET or a relevant national level exam conducted by central government departments/agencies/institutions. Otherwise, the salary would be INR 25,000 + HRA per month.

Essential qualifications: Post Graduate Degree in Botany/Life Sciences/Plant Sciences, from a recognized university/institute or equivalent, with a minimum aggregate score 60% (6.5 grade points on a scale of 10). For candidates from SC/ST category, the minimum aggregate score required is 55% (6.0 grade points on a scale of 10).

Desirable qualifications: Experience in taxonomy, mycology and ecology.

Age limit: Not more than 28 years on the date of application. However, it is relaxable up to 5 years in the case of candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/PH candidates.

Duration: Initial appointment will be for 1 year, which is extendable up to the duration of the project (about 3 years) solely based on performance.

Application Process: Interested candidates must apply with the following documents: (1) Cover letter (2) Filled application form (3) Bio-data with date of birth, contact details including phone number, email and postal address, passport-size photograph (4) Scanned copies of educational certificates and mark sheets (Class X onwards) (5) Scanned copies of GATE/NET certificate (if any) (6) Proof for research experience, special achievements and publications (if any) (7) Valid ID proof. The soft and hard copies of all the above documents must reach the Principal Investigator (Dr. Yogesh Joshi, Associate Professor, Department of Botany, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur - 302004) on or before April 05, 2023. The soft copies of all the above documents should be emailed as one file (.pdf format) with a subject line "Project Associate application for SERB project" to dryogeshcalo@gmail.com. Candidates who are already employed should produce relieving certificate from their employers, if selected. The shortlisted candidates will be intimated about the date and mode of interview by email only. The selection will be based on qualification, experience and interview performance.

Expected joining: The position is available for joining immediately.

Terms & Conditions:

- i. No TA/DA will be provided to the candidate for the interview.
- ii. The PI shall not be responsible for any email error, technical glitch in applying or any other reason for non-receipt of the document at the specified deadline and will result in disqualification/rejection of the application.
- iii. The decision of the selection committee will be final.
- iv. If the number of shortlisted candidates called for the interview is large, the selection committee may decide to restrict the number of candidates for the interview to a reasonable limit after considering qualifications and experience over and above the minimum prescribed in the advertisement.
- v. The appointment of the candidate will be on a purely temporary basis and coterminus with the project; and will be governed by the terms and conditions of the Institute/funding agency particularly applicable to the said project as and when required.
- vi. The selected candidate will have to join duty immediately on receipt of the offer.
- vii. The fellowship may be terminated with a 30-day notice before completion of the tenure if performance till date is not deemed satisfactory.
- viii. After joining the project, if a candidate qualifies GATE or CSIR/UGC NET or a relevant national level exam conducted by central government departments/agencies/institutions, their salary would be updated to 31,000 per month + HRA.

Application Form Project Associate-I

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| 2 | Date of Birth | | | | | | | self-attested |
| 3 | Age as on 05/04/2023 | | | | | | _ | recent passport |
| 4 | Category (Gen/OBC/SC/ST) | | | : | | | | size color |
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| 5 | Address for correspondence | | | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | | |
| 6 | Contact No. (Mobile) | | | | | | | |
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| 11 | GATE (year; registration no.; valid | | | | | | | |
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| 14 | Signature of candidate | | | : | | | | |

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES

- 1. Please specify your age properly in years and months.
- 2. Please sign across your photographs.
- 3. Please attach self-attested photocopies of your age proof/consolidated mark sheets of UG & PG as applicable clearly indicating the marks/GPA/grade achieved/equivalent certificates/experience letters/first page of SCI publications authored/ scorecard of qualifying examinations.
- 4. For CSIR JRF NET/UGC JRF NET including LS qualified candidates, please provide the month and year of qualifying, roll number and rank, if any, in the examination.
- 5. For GATE qualified candidates, please specify a valid score, year of passing, registration number and rank.
- 6. Experience should clearly specify the time duration, place of work and the position held.

- 7. The duly signed application along the self-attested documents should reach us by email (dryogeshcalo@gmail.com) before 4:00 PM on 05/04/2023.
- 8. Furnishing wrong information will lead to rejection of candidature.
- 9. Applications that are incomplete and applications without the documents supporting your candidature will not be considered for shortlisting.
- 10. Applicants pursuing final semesters of their degree will not be considered.
- 11. The final shortlisted candidates will be notified by email at least two days prior scheduled day of interview.