



**TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
(Deemed to be University)**

Centre for Development Practice and Research, Patna

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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 several degree programmes in a range of socially relevant inter-disciplinary areas of social sciences. The TISS offers a very challenging but fulfilling academic environment to faculty committed to creating a just society through education, generation of knowledge and field action.

The Centre for Development Practice and Research, Patna which is an Independent Centre of the TISS Mumbai was established in March 2016 for undertaking research, field action programmes and limited teaching. In the last two years, it has made 'migration' a niche area of its academic activities – research, lectures and conferences, short-term course and publications.

The Centre, with the support from the Takshila Educational Society, has set up a four-year field action project entitled "Deepening Democracy through Gram Panchayats: Strengthening Representation, Participation and Capacities" in Mian-Ke-Bhatkan Gram Panchayat, Jiradei block of Siwan District in Bihar. The project has the twin components of research and action. The first year of the project has been largely spent on understanding the political context and socio-economic dynamics of the area through ethnography. From the second year onwards, while continuing with the ethnography, some interventions will be carried out to strengthen the capacities of the elected members of the Gram Panchayat and the functionaries, helping the Gram Panchayats in instituting participatory processes, improving the services such as schooling, Aanganwadis, public health centres, public distribution system, etc., and bringing changes in the lives of the people, particularly women, children, old age persons, persons with disabilities, Scheduled Castes and other deprived groups.

The project team is based at the Parivartan Campus of the Takshila Educational Society which is located at Narendrapur Village, Jiradei block, District – Siwan, Bihar.

Applications are invited from committed and motivated individuals willing to work with Gram Panchayats and deprived sections to be part of the project team. We intend to recruit one (1) Young Professional under the project on contract basis for a period of three years.

The details of the position are given below:

Young Professional: One Position

Remuneration: Rs. 30,000/- p.m.

Essential Qualifications: Master's Degree in Social Work / Women's Studies / Economics / Political Science / Law / Public Health / Education / Humanities or any other related field and

minimum experience of 2 years of working on decentralization / Panchayat related issues. Excellent understanding of issues related to decentralization / Gram Panchayats. Good understanding of participatory processes, good writing skills and demonstrated proficiency in working with local leadership and bureaucracy. Knowledge of monitoring and evaluation methods. Proficiency in the use of MS Office.

Application fee:

The application fee is Rs. 500/- which is to be paid online. The SC/ST/PWD candidates will be waived from the application fee if they attach the required certificate to the application. The application will be valid only on receipt of the application fee for those who are required to pay. Fees once paid shall not be refunded under any circumstances.

Other Conditions:

- The Institute reserves the right to relax qualification of the candidate based on the work experience.
- The institute reserves the right to invite persons for interview who may not have applied for as per the above procedure and not fill up the vacancy 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.
- The post is unreserved, but candidates belonging to reserved category are encouraged to apply. Female candidates are particularly encouraged to apply.
- Canvassing in any form is strictly prohibited and will lead to the candidate being debarred from consideration for the post.
- The candidate under employment must bring 'No Objection Certificate' from their employer to appear for presentation/ interview.
- No TA/ DA is payable for appearing for the interview.
- In case of any inadvertent error in the advertisement and in the process of recruitment, which may be detected at any stage, even after issue of appointment order, the Institute reserves the right to modify/withdraw/cancel any communication made to the candidate(s).

The candidates are requested to apply online through the link (**Apply now**) provided along with this advertisement on Institute's website www.tiss.edu. The candidates are required to take a print of acknowledgement of online application and keep it for future reference.

Last date of receipt of online application: October 15, 2018.

Interview: The eligible/shortlisted candidates will be communicated by an e-mail and mobile phone to appear for interview. The interview will be held in Patna in the first week of November 2018.

Deputy Registrar
Personnel and Administration