

National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Rajendranagar, Hyderabad - 500030

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National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRDPR) is an autonomous organization under the Union Ministry of Rural Development, is a premier centre of excellence in RD & PR. Having served our nation for 63 years, NIRDPR is now enhancing the vision from poverty alleviation & livelihoods to quality of life and standards of living at rural India.

NIRDPR holds a huge mandate and is a highly diversified system with 6 focus areas: Training and Capacity Building, Research and Consultancy, Policy Formulation and Policy Advocacy, Technology Transfer, Academic Programmes, Innovative Skilling, Livelihood, Micro and Small Enterprise Development, organizing collectives and commons etc. Highly qualified faculty at NIRDPR work across 22 centres of specific subject matter expertise, under 7 schools of diversified thematic areas. The Institute acts as a Think Tank for MoRD and other Ministries of Govt. of India. It also undertakes consultancy projects from various Ministries. The role NIRDPR in the development sector is highly dynamic in nature. Nurturing 29 SIRDs and connecting organizations of RD&PR cluster is another critical responsibility of NIRDPR. Considering 65% of rural population as end beneficiaries, the role of NIRDPR is growing in demand for Nation building.

Centre for Entrepreneurship Development & Financial Inclusion (CED&FI) of NIRDPR, Hyderabad invites applications for contract-based position of "Research Associate". Requirement for the position, age and remuneration, etc. are indicated in the table below:

Research Associate

1.	Designation	Research Associate
2.	Mode of Recruitment	On Contract Basis
3.	No. of Positions	One
4.	Duration	6 months
5.	Educational Qualification	Post Graduate with at least 55% marks in the areas of Economics, Management, Statistics, Development Studies, MSW and Sociology Or Postgraduate Diploma in Management-Rural Management (PGDM-RM) with 55% marks from reputed institutions like IRMA, NIRDPR, XIMB etc. Or Postgraduate Diploma in Rural Development Management (PGDRDM) from NIRDPR. Or Ph.D in Rural Development
6.	Experience	Ph.D with 2 years' experience in conducting research/action research with expertise in data analysis, draft report writing etc. in a reputed Institute or University. Or

		PG/PGDM-RM with 5 years' experience in conducting research/action research with expertise in data analysis, draft report writing etc. in a reputed Institute or University. Or NIRDPR-PGDRDM with 6 years of experience in conducting research/action research with expertise in data analysis, draft report writing etc. in a reputed Institute or University.
7.	Desirable Criteria	Phd/Mphil in Economics, Management, Statistics, Development Studies, Rural Development, Cooperation, MSW, Sociology
8.	Job Responsibilities	 Conducting Research and evaluation studies in the area of cooperatives Data collection and data analysis by using tools like SPSS, Stata etc. Skills in Data Collection through ODK Extensive travel in rural areas across the country for the purpose of data collection Coordination with state level officers of cooperative department, State Cooperative Banks, DCCBs and PACCSs pertaining to collection of primary/secondary data. Conduct FGDs Draft report writing
9.	Age Limit	50 years(as on the date of advertisement)
10.	Remuneration	Rs.40,000/- per month (Consolidated)

General conditions

- 1. An application fee of Rs.300/- plus applicable taxes should be paid by General/OBC/EWS candidates through Pay Fee (SB Collect). No application fee for SC/ST/PWD candidates.
- 2. Candidate seeking exemption of application fee under SC/ST/PWD category shall require to upload the necessary Caste/PWD category certificate. Otherwise the application is liable to be rejected.
- 3. The candidates should apply through online registration available on the website http://career.nirdpr.in/
- 4. The offered assignment is purely on contractual basis and does not envisage any form of regular appointment at NIRDPR in future.
- 5. Age, experience and qualification will be reckoned as on the date of this notification i.e, 15.08.2023. Clear quality attested photostats copies of all important certificates and documents must be uploaded with the online application.
- 6. Candidates are advised to satisfy themselves before applying that they possess at least the minimum essential qualification laid down in the advertisement.
- 7. In case of large number of applications, the Institute may shortlist the candidates as may be necessary.
- 8. The Institute reserves the right to relax any of the requirements i.e. age, educational qualification, experience etc. in exceptional cases.

- 9. Canvassing in any form will be treated as disqualification.
- 10. No correspondence or telephonic enquiry will be entertained as regards short-listing, calling for interview, selection or engagement
- 11. The selection will be at NIRDPR, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad.
- 12. Date, time and venue of written test/interviews shall be communicated to shortlisted candidates only.
- 13. Only the shortlisted candidates will be called for written test/interview or both as applicable and no TA / DA will be given for attending the written test/Interview.
- 14. The prescribed qualifications and experience are minimum and the mere fact that a candidate possesses the same will not entitle him/her for being called for written test/Interview.
- 15. In case of any inadvertence in the process of selection which may be detected at any stage even after the issue of engagement letter, the Institute reserves the right to modify/ withdraw/ cancel any communication made to the candidates.
- 16. In case of any dispute/ ambiguity that may occur in the process of selection, the decision of the Institute shall be final.
- 17. Candidates may regularly visit the website for further information/updates, if any.
- 18. Applications received after the due date and time will not be considered.
- 19. The final results shall be communicated to the selected candidates only.
- 20. Last date for submission of online application is 30.08.2023. (within 15 days from the date of publication of the advertisement)

Sd/-Assistant Director Administration (Section –I)