

(An Autonomous Institution of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India)

Advertisement for the Admission to XVIII M.Sc. Course in Wildlife Science (2022-2024)

Advt. No. WII/AC/2022-24/Advt for XVIII M.Sc.

The Wildlife Institute of India (WII) is a premier National Institute for training and research in the field of wildlife conservation and management. The Institute's idyllic ambience, state of the art infrastructure and faculty of repute provide a vibrant academic atmosphere and an enriching and learning experience to its students. The M.Sc. course in Wildlife Science of the Institute is widely acclaimed both nationally and internationally. This course aims to impart theoretical knowledge on concepts, principles, approaches, analytical skills and field techniques in Wildlife Science. Students of high calibre, motivation and having passion for wildlife and conservation are selected for the residential course every alternate year. The course is affiliated with the Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research (AcSIR). AcSIR has been established as an 'Institution of National Importance' with a view to maximize the number of qualified researchers and professionals of impeccable quality in the domain of science & engineering; and to equip them with the skills to innovate and conduct seamless interdisciplinary research. AcSIR was established by an Act of Parliament, viz. the Academy of Scientific Innovative Research Act, 2011 notified by the Central Government vide The Gazette of India notification No.15 dated February 7, 2012. The Headquarters of Academy of Scientific Innovative Research is located at CSIR-Human Resource Development Centre (CSIR-HRDC) Campus, Postal Staff College Area, Sector 19, Kamla Nehru Nagar, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh 201002. More than 50 R&D institutes including all CSIR National R&D institutes are affiliated with AcSIR for academics/higher education.

The course is open to both Indian and foreign nationals. Applications are invited for admission to this 2 - years course (four semesters) in M.Sc. Wildlife Science commencing on **August 23**, **2022**. Twenty meritorious students will be admitted to this course, which includes 15 Indian and 05 foreign nationals. The break-up of seats (15) for Indian nationals is: General Candidates - 07; SC Candidates - 02; ST Candidate - 01; OBC Candidates - 04; Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) - 01. In case of 5 foreign candidates are not selected, these seats will be offered to Indian candidates as per the reservation policy of Government of India. If SC/ST candidates secure seats on their own merit in competition with general candidates, they shall not be counted against reserve quota.

COURSE FEE: The Course Fee for the entire course is: **Indian Nationals - INR 572000/-**; **SAARC Nationals - US \$ 13800/-**; **Other Nationals - US \$ 15000/-**, payable to WII. The fees cover the academic fees, hostel accommodation, etc. along with a monthly stipend (Rs. 5000/- per month) and scholarship support for the dissertation study.

The Institute provides full scholarship to eight Indian students based on their merit during selection. The breakup of the scholarships for Indian nationals is: General - 03; SC - 01; ST - 01; OBC - 02 and EWS - 01. Other candidates (Indian and Foreign) selected for the course will be treated as self-sponsored. The students are required to pay the WII course fee in four equal instalments prior to commencement of each semester. The scholarship support is

performance-based where the continuation of the selected students will depend on their performance in the first two semesters. The scholarship will be transferred to the meritorious candidate (within each categories) in case of below par performances.

ELIGIBILITY:

- (a) Bachelor's degree in Life Science, Medical Science, Engineering, Veterinary Science, Agriculture, Forestry, Pharmacy, Social Science and Computer Science or degrees recognized as equivalent thereof. Applicants from the fields of Engineering, Social Science, Computer Science etc. should have Biology as one of the subjects in Higher Secondary Education Board or other equivalent board.
- (b) Minimum of 15 years of formal education (either 10+2+3 or 11+2+2).
- (c) Candidates who have completed the graduation degree in any of the above disciplines with a pass certificate (50% in aggregate at the field of studies mentioned above for general category and OBC candidates and 45% in aggregate for SC/ST candidates), or who have appeared OR will be appearing at the qualifying (final) bachelor's degree examination and whose result is still awaited may also apply. However, they need to provide their Graduation Pass Certificate prior to the registration in the course at AcSIR by 31st August 2022, failing which the admission will stand cancelled.

The OBC candidates who belong to "Creamy Layer" are not entitled for relaxation admissible (Age relaxation) to OBC category and will be treated as General candidates. The OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates are required to submit requisite certificate in prescribed format (Annexure 1) of Government of India, from a Competent Authority issued in the current year. The name of the caste and community indicated in the OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) certificate must appear in the Central list of Other Backward Classes which can be found at http://bit.ly/2iz3OJQ. The EWS candidates need to submit all necessary documents as per the Government notice (see Annexure) during submission/interview.

The minimum qualifying marks to become eligible to appear for the written examination is 50 percent in aggregate at the field of study mentioned in the eligibility section for general category and OBC candidates (both Indian and foreign nationals) and 45 percent in aggregate for SC/ST candidates.

Candidates with Bachelor's Degree from Universities outside India should obtain certificates of equivalence from the Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities, AIU House 16, Comrade Indrajit Gupta Marg, New Delhi 110002 (Website: http://bit.ly/2iFSsBb), email to administration@aiuweb.org, sgoffice@aiu.ac.in (Ph: + 91-11-23230059; 23232429; 23232305, Fax: + 91-11- 23232131). The Institute will facilitate obtaining the degree equivalence from the Association of Indian Universities, New Delhi and eligibility certificate for AcSIR. However final decision by them in the matter of equivalence/eligibility will be binding on the applicant. In case of foreign nationals who do not have English as their native language should provide evidence of proficiency in English (e.g., TOEFL Score) for admission to this course. The TOEFL or IELTS score reports should not be before **01.01.2021**. A minimum TOEFL Score of 213 (computer based), 550 (paper based), or 79 (internet based), or minimum of 6.0 IELTS score is required.

AGE LIMIT: Not more than 25 years as on July 01, 2022 with relaxation of 3 years for OBC candidates and 5 years for other reserved category candidates (SC/ST). For the in-service candidates working in Forest and Wildlife Departments, the age limit is 35 years as on **July 01**, **2022**.

For the foreign candidates upper age limit is 30 years as on **July 01, 2022**.

SELECTION PROCESS:

Indian Candidates:

Eligible candidates will be required to appear for an online National Eligibility Test (NET) in any one of the 14 Centres (Thiruvananthapuram, Chennai, Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Bhopal, Mumbai, Delhi, Lucknow, Dehra Dun, Ranchi, Kolkata, Guwahati, Aizawl and Jammu) on **July 13, 2022 (Sunday) at 1000 hrs**. The allocation of test centres would be decided by the institute on the basis of number of candidates registered for a particular centre and the candidate would be accordingly informed. The NET will be for 2 hours duration for 100 marks. The question paper would have the following sections:

- 1) Section 1: 30 multiple choice questions on General Awareness including Current Affairs, Quantitative Skills, English Language and Computer knowledge (30 marks).
- 2) Section 2: 40 multiple-choice questions on environment, forest, wildlife and conservation issues (40 marks).
- 3) Section 3: a 200 word essay on environmental, forest, wildlife or conservation issue (30 marks).

Shortlisted candidates based on NET screening will be called to appear for a Personality and Aptitude Test (PAT) and interview at Dehra Dun on July 29-31, 2022. Final selection to the course will be made on the basis of combined merit of 70% marks obtained in the NET and 30% of PAT. Shortlisted candidates belonging to "General Category" will be interviewed on July 29-30, 2022, while shortlisted reserved category (SC/ST/OBC) candidates will be interviewed on July 30-31, 2022. In case of equal marks in NET and PAT the following criteria shall be adopted for taking admission in the course.

- (i) Preference will be given to the candidates who have higher aggregate percentage of marks in the graduation level.
- (ii) In case the candidates have equal marks in the above stated examination then the candidate senior in age will be given preference.

The selected Indian nationals will have to confirm their joining in the course *i.e.* acceptance of selection offer positively by **August 13, 2022** by email. Failing which, the waitlisted candidates in appropriate lists will be offered the seat.

Candidates should note that their candidature is provisional. Their candidature will be deemed final upon verification of eligibility condition with reference to the documents enclosed with their application and as required by AcSIR and payment of First Semester Fee in case of Self Sponsored candidates.

Foreign Candidates:

All eligible foreign candidates will be interviewed through online mode following which their final selection will be made. For foreign nationals, the tentative interview date through web conferencing is **July 11 2022**. The foreign candidates will inform the preference of the interview date through email communication and provide complete contact details. The final merit list will be based on 50% marks in the Graduation degree and 50% marks obtained in online interview (Total marks - 100).

HOW TO APPLY:

Indian Candidates:

- (i) The entire process for registration and NET is "Online". Details for online registration and NET would appear on the WII's website (https://wii.gov.in/) as well as AcSIR website (https://acsir.res.in/) latest by June 15, 2022. The online registration process will be open w.e.f June 15, 2022. All eligible candidates are advised to follow the latest updates on the WII and AcSIR websites for online registration of applicants, submission of application and payment of application processing fee, etc.
- (ii) All in-service candidates are required to register online and route their applications (after successful online registration, application submission and payment of fees) through proper channel to the Course Director, XVIII M.Sc. Wildlife Science Course, Wildlife Institute of India, Chandrabani, Dehradun 248001 (Uttarakhand) by Registered Post positively by **June 30**, **2022**. However, they may send an advance copy for preliminary consideration. Envelope containing application of in-service candidate being sent through proper channel should be marked "APPLICATION OF IN-SERVICE CANDIDATE FOR XVIII M.SC. WILDLIFE SCIENCE COURSE".
- (iii) Candidates will be required to fill in their personal, educational and professional experience profiles online besides uploading a recent passport size photograph, scanned copies of school certificate/ valid passport as age proof, marksheet of Graduation degree (Previous/Final year), caste certificate (applicable for candidates seeking reservation quota). Candidates will make the payment of non-refundable application processing fee (Rs. 1500/-Rupees One thousand five hundred only) through the prescribed "Payment Gateway".
- (iv) The entrusted online agency will issue "Admit Card" to eligible candidates which can be downloaded from weblink provided. The admit card will have details of Examination Centre, Date and Time of online NET wherein applicants will appear in the NET on their own cost. Applicants will make their own arrangement for travel and accommodation for appearing in the 2 hour online NET.
- (v) The Institute will upload the result of NET and shortlisted candidates for PAT *i.e.* those are being called for interview at WII, Dehradun latest by **July 18, 2022**.

Foreign Candidates:

- (i) Foreign candidates will be required to fill in their personal, educational profiles online besides uploading a recent passport size photograph, scanned copies of passport with a validity period till 2024, school leaving certificate, reference letters from two persons, proof of International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score (if applicable).
- (iI) All eligible foreign candidates are required to pay an application processing fee of US\$ 200 or equivalent. However, SAARC nationals are required to pay US\$ 100 or equivalent. The amount can be transferred electronically to WII account. The **e-banking details are**: Union Bank of India; **Beneficiary** Director, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun; **Account Number** 518502010000001; **IFSC Code** UBIN0551856; **Swift Code** UBININBBDER; **Purpose** M.Sc. Wildlife Science Application Fee. Details of e-banking/fee transfer need to be mentioned in application.
- (iii) Foreign candidates are advised to follow the latest updates on the WII's website (http://www.wii.gov.in/latest-events) for online registration of applicants, submission of application, etc.

(iv) The result of selected foreign candidates will be hosted on WII's website before July 13, 2022 and selected students will also be informed by email. Selected students have to confirm sponsoring/funding support latest by July 18, 2022 so as to process their applications for seeking the Government of India's approval from security and political angles. This would ultimately facilitate in obtaining "Study Visa". In the event of failure/no confirmation of sponsorship by July 18, 2022 the Institute would offer the seat to the waitlisted foreign applicant. In case of "in-service" foreign nationals, applicants need to route application through proper channel after online registration so as to reach WII by June 30, 2022 along with details of sponsorship.

Important Dates:

Dates	Indian Candidate	Foreign Candidate
June 15, 2022	Details of online registration and NET available in WII and AcSIR websites	Details of online registration available in WII and AcSIR websites
June 15,, 2022	Online registration opens	Online registration opens
July 7, 2022	Online registration closes	Online registration closes
July 9, 2022	Declaration of result of shortlisted candidates for NET examination on WII and AcSIR websites	Declaration of result of shortlisted candidates for PAT examination on WII and AcSIR websites
July 11, 2022	-	Video conference/skype interview of shortlisted candidates
July 13, 2022	Online NET Exam	Declaration of result of selected foreign candidates
July 18, 2022	Declaration of NET results and shortlisted candidates for PAT	Intimation of confirmation by email about joining the course
July 29-31, 2022	Personality and Aptitude Test at WII, Dehradun	-
August 5, 2022	Declaration of final result of selected candidates	-
August 13, 2022	Intimation of confirmation to course director by email about joining the course	-
August 20-21, 2022	Reporting at WII for Joining the course	Reporting at WII for Joining the course

TERMS & CONDITIONS

(i) Director, WII reserves the right to re-schedule the NET/PAT/interview in case of foreign nationals and/or change the test centre at his sole discretion, without assigning any reasons thereof, and as warranted by the circumstances.

- (ii) Director, WII reserves the exclusive right to reject any application without assigning any reasons thereof.
- (iii) The Institute reserves the right to discontinue merit fellowship to the students in the event of their below par performance in first two semester examinations.
- (iv) SC/ST candidates called for the interview (Personality and Aptitude test) will be paid to and fro train fare (Sleeper Class) by shortest route from their place of residence to Dehra Dun on production of their journey tickets.
- (v) Candidates belonging to the SC, ST and OBC category should submit a caste certificate from the competent authority at the time of PAT, failing which they will not be allowed to appear in the interview.
- (vi) All selected students (Indian as well as foreign nationals) are required to arrive at Dehradun, Uttarakhand, India on **August 20-21 2022** and report at the Institute during Office hours (0900-1730 hrs).
- (vii) Candidates/Applicants will send all correspondence related to admission to the Incharge of Academic Cell (Telephone: +91-135-2646116, Fax: + 91-135-2640117, Email: oao@wii.gov.in) with a copy to Shri K. S. Negi (Telephone: +91-135-2646662, Fax: + 91-135-2640117, E-mail: negiks@wii.gov.in)
- (viii) Incomplete applications or those not accompanied by supporting documents will be summarily rejected.
- (ix) If any candidate has been found at any stage to have furnished wrong information or deliberately suppressed any relevant information, his/her candidature/ admission will be rejected/ cancelled as soon as it comes to the notice of either WII or the University concerned.

(Course Director)
XVIII M.Sc. Course in Wildlife Science

Contact Person:

Shri. K. K. Shrivastava In-charge of Academic Cell

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Annexure I

FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES APPLYING FOR APPOINTMENT TO POSTS UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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NB (a) The term `ordinarily' used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the Peoples Act, 1950.

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- (b) The authorities competent to issue caste certificates are indicated below:---
 - District Magistrate / Additional District Magistrate / Collector / Deputy Commissioner/ Additional Deputy Commissioner/ Deputy Collector / I class Stipendary Magistrate / Sub Divisional Magistrate/ Taluka Magistrate / Executive Magistrate / Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of I Class Stipendary Magistrate).
 - 2. Chief Presidency Magistrate / Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate / Presidency Magistrate.
 - 3. Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar; and
 - 4. Sub Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and / or his family normally resides.

OBC Undertaking

Declaration/undertaking – for OBC Candidates only

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*Declaration/undertaking not signed by Candidate will be rejected.

FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES APPLYING FOR APPOINTMENT TO POSTS/ADMISSION TO CENTRAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES (CEIs), UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

"This certificate MUST have been issued on or after 1st April 2020"

This is to certify that	Shri/Smt.Kum	Son/Daughter of Shri/smt.
Of Village/Town		District/Division in the
State belongs to the		Community which is recognized as a backward class under:
(i) (ii)		12011/68/93-BCC(C) dated 10.09.93 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 186 dated 13.09.1993. 12011/9/94-BCC dated 19.10.94 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 163 dated 20.10.94.
(iii) (iv)	Resolution No.	12011/7/95-BCC dated 24.05.95 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 88 dated 25.05.95. 12011/96/94-BCC dated 09.03.96.
(v) (vi)	Resolution No.	12011/44/96-BCC dated 06.12.96 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 11.12.96.
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- (b) The authorities competent to tissue Caste Certificates are indicated below:
 - (i) District Magistrate/Additional Magistrate/Collector/Deputy Commissioner/Additional Deputy Commissioner/ Deputy Collector/First Class Stipendiary Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrate/Taluka Magistrate/Executive magistrate/Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate).
 - (ii) Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/Presidency Magistrate.
 - (iii) Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar and
 - (iv) Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/or his family resides.

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Recent Passport size attested photograph of the applicant	

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^{*}Note1:. Income covered all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc.

^{**}Note 2:The term "Family" for this purpose include the person, who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years

^{***}Note 3: The property held by a "Family" in different locations or different places/cities have been clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.