

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

## **Recruitment of Project Personnel**

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The Wildlife Institute of India (WII) is a premier autonomous Institute under the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India, in the field of wildlife research, teaching and training. The Institute invites application from the Indian nationals for the positions. Details of the positions along with essential and desirable qualifications, brief description of work, age criteria and monthly fellowships are given in *Annexure-1*.

1. Country Level Assessment of Status of Tigers, Co-predators and Prey and their Habitats in India: Since 2006, the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) in collaboration with the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) has been conducting a National level assessment for the "Status of Tigers, Co-predators, Prey and their Habitat" every four years based on a scientific methodology approved by the Tiger Task Force in 2005. The project aims at assessment of tigers, other predators, major prey species, habitat qualities and human disturbance parameters in all potential tiger occupied landscapes spread over 20 states in the country.

Project Associate – I (Genetic Component) (07 positions), Technical Assistant (50 positions)

2. Rangewide estimation of River dolphins: As a part of "Project Dolphin" initiative, a range- wide status of population and habitat of river dolphins and other associated biodiversity was carried out in Ganga, Brahmaputra and Indus river system. The main objectives of the project was to estimate River dolphin population in its entire distributional ranges, estimation of the other associated fauna in the river dolphin ranges and assessment of its habitat and anthropogenic pressure throughout the range. This was first of its kind as it was a pan India survey for estimating Ganges and Indus river dolphin population in its current distribution range.

Project Associate –I (GIS Component) (02 Position), Project Associate-I (Ecotoxicology) (02 Position), Project Assistant (River Ecology) (05 Position), Project Assistant (Riverine Associate Fauna) (03 Position), Project Assistant (Art and Animation) (2 Position), Project Assistant (Ecotoxicology) (2 Position), Scientific Administrative Assistant (1 Position).

3. **Securing threatened habitats of mountain ungulates**: Mountain ungulates hold a key position in the functioning of an ecosystem. They are the primary consumers in grasslands, influence vegetation structure, plant species community, nutrient cycling and as prey regulate wild carnivore populations and therefore are critical for the conservation of an ecosystem. However, due to increasing human population, they face immense competition for resources from livestock populations. Increasing habitat loss and fragmentation, and poaching, threaten the very

survival of these species. Existence as a meta-population in a landscape, along with suitable habitat availability, ensures the long-term persistence of a species. The project will be in Arunachal Pradesh.

Junior Research Fellow (1 Position), Project Assistant (01 Position)

4. A comprehensive study on the Ecology and Population Status of a human commensal – the House Sparrow Passer domesticus in the Uttarakhand State: The project will investigate the population status and ecological factors affecting occupancy and abundance.

Research Assistant (2 position)

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