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Opportunity with Dakshin Foundation-Community Wellbeing & Environment Programme

Number of vacancies: One

Position: Consultant (SRA Level) – Health

Last date to apply: 20th July 2021. The position will be filled as soon as a suitable candidate is identified; therefore, interested individuals are requested to apply immediately.

Location: The position will be based at Dakshin's head office in Bangalore but will involve considerable travel to the project sites in Ganjam, Odisha and South Andaman. The initial period could be work from home depending on COVID-19 related constraints.

Duration: Sep 2021 – Feb 2022 (Long-term position with 6 months' probation)

Project details: Dakshin's Community Wellbeing and Environment (CWE) Programme aims to improve community wellbeing and livelihoods of fishing communities and empower them to build resilient coastal communities and ecosystems. The Health sub-programme under the CWE programme seeks to strengthen community institutions and improve community health through collaborative engagements with fishing communities in Ganjam, Odisha and the Andaman Islands.

Position details: We invite applications from suitable candidates for the position of Senior Research Assistant – Health with the CWE programme. While this is a long-term position, we will initially offer a six-months contract to the successful candidate, to be renewed on the basis of performance and mutual fit. The position requires an independent, dynamic, enterprising and organised individual to fulfil the following responsibilities:

Chief responsibilities:

The SRA will need to:

1. Develop and execute health interventions in specific sites in Odisha and South Andaman to improve community health of fishing communities.
2. Build and maintain partnerships with different stakeholders and incorporate feedback into planning for improvement of the programme.
3. Supervise researchers and interns as needed.
4. Identify and develop resources for the operationalizing the health interventions.
5. Plan, monitor and regularly assess project progress using indicators of success.



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6. Ensure regular technical and financial reporting to Programme Officer and Programme head to ensure efficient planning and execution of the programme and timely completion of project deliverables.

Candidates must possess the following basic qualifications and skills:

1. A Master's degree in Public health/Developmental studies, Social work, management or other related social science disciplines and at least 2 years of relevant work experience.
2. Strong interpersonal and negotiation skills and demonstrated ability to independently chart out project plans, deliverables and timelines and facilitate meetings.
3. Experience and ability to work with a range of social groups and local institutions in rural settings.
4. Attention to detail and strong project and people management and liaising skills.
5. Experience in using qualitative and quantitative social research methods.
6. Excellent verbal and written communication skills in English.
7. Written and spoken proficiency in English and working knowledge of Hindi; knowledge of at least one other coastal regional language like Odia/Telugu/Bengali will be helpful.

Remuneration: Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and work experience, in line with our internal policy. Travel and accommodation on field will be covered by the project.

How to apply:

Please email your interest in applying for the position to apply.dakshinfoundation@gmail.com with the subject line "Application for position of SRA– Health Programme" and you will be sent an online form to fill in the details necessary to process your application.

About us:

Dakshin Foundation is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation based at Bangalore, India, with field offices and intervention across the coastline of India and in its oceanic islands. Our mission is to inform and advocate conservation and natural resource management, while promoting and supporting sustainable livelihoods, social development and environmental justice. To learn more about our interventions and research projects please take a look at our website (www.dakshin.org).