

Designation: Field Manager

Reports to: Scientists (Community Ecology and Conservation Program, NCF)

Location: southern Maharashtra (Kolhapur, Satara, Ratnagiri and Sindhudurg Districts)

Start Date: December 2021

Background: This project aims to restore ecologically critical, degraded patches of private and community forests in the Sahyadris, southern Maharashtra. We plan to achieve this by securing local community and private partnerships to ecologically restore landscapes, thereby contributing to the conservation of native biodiversity. If you like plants and want to be at the forefront of starting a new forest restoration project, do consider applying. The work will involve applied conservation and research with a young team of conservation scientists.

Responsibilities: We are looking for a field manager who will be involved in setting up the ecological restoration project in southern Maharashtra. The work will evolve from field data collection, talking to different local stakeholders, setting up a nursery and eventually leading restoration efforts. The work will be based out of the field sites in Maharashtra and would involve occasional travel to other field sites in the Western Ghats. The different responsibilities are listed below:

1. Vegetation sampling across sites
2. Establishing and maintaining a native plant nursery
3. Data collection and management
4. Assist in coordinating other research activities
5. Management of the field research station

Basic Requirements:

1. Bachelors/Masters degree
2. Conversant with spreadsheets, documents and presentations
3. Good interpersonal skills
4. Good human resource management skills
5. Enthusiasm for intensive fieldwork
6. Indian Citizenship

Desired:

1. Experience in ecological research/fieldwork
2. Experience in team management
3. Bachelors/Masters degree in Biology/ Wildlife Science/ Forestry/ Conservation
4. Knowledge of basic statistics (and using R)
5. Spoken communication in Marathi, Hindi and English
6. Ability to drive 2/4-wheeler with valid driving license
7. Keen interest in plants and knowledge of or eagerness to learn plant identification

Link for the form: <https://forms.gle/DDGx8nGhjuXGdy2P9>

Please submit the duly-filled google form before 15 November 2021.

Salary: 15,000 - 35,000 INR per month, commensurate with experience.

Timeline:

1. Application submission deadline: 15 November 2021
2. Interviews: around 20 November 2021

The position is for Indian citizens only. The position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. Women and those from under-represented groups or disadvantaged backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

If you have any questions, please write to rohit@ncf-india.org.