

## Job Description – Project Associate



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### PROJECT

Impact of climate change on small mammal communities and risks of spillover infections

### PROJECT TEAM

Dr. Balaji Chattopadhyay (Principal Investigator), Dr. Shivani Krishna, Dr. Kritika Garg, Dr. Imroze Khan

### JOB PROFILE

The individual hired for this project will work on field data collection, lab work as well as necessary analyses for the project. Additionally, the candidate is expected to contribute significantly towards the management of field work and other project related activities including but not restricted to preparations of reports, data analyses etc.

The individual will need to remain committed to the position for a minimum of 12 months, which can be extended upon satisfactory performance.

### QUALIFICATIONS

Post-graduate degree in a related field. Please note that the selected candidate will be required to work with a team of researchers.

Preference will be given to candidates who have cleared National Eligibility Tests- CSIR-UGC NET including lectureship (Assistant Professorship) or GATE or National level examinations conducted by Central Government Departments and their agencies and Institutions. However other candidates are also encouraged to apply.

### EXPERIENCE

The candidate should have broad understanding of ecology, evolutionary biology, molecular biology and conservation. Experience in molecular biology wet lab techniques like DNA, RNA extraction, PCR etc is must; working in BSL2, and above biosafety facilities is a plus. The project involves large scale sampling of small mammals, insects, livestock, peri domestic mammals, plants etc. Hence, an interest towards research methodologies involving field biology, ecology and wet lab methods is a must.

### APPOINTMENT DETAILS

Initial appointment will be for one year, which can be extended upon satisfactory performance.

### HOW TO APPLY

Interested individuals should email their curriculum vitae detailing relevant research experience and contact details of at least two referees (email and contact number) to Dr. Balaji Chattopadhyay at [balaji.chattopadhyay@ashoka.edu.in](mailto:balaji.chattopadhyay@ashoka.edu.in)

#### IMPORTANT:

1. Please attach CV and cover letter in the same PDF file.
2. Please use this exact text in the email subject line “Application for Project Associate position”.