

INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGE
Nagarabhavi, Bangalore – 560 072

JOB OPPORTUNITY ON CONTRACT

Announcement for the post of one **Research Assistant/Research Associate** on a temporary basis at the Centre for Political Institutions, Governance and Development (CPIGD), at ISEC

Centre / Project Title	:	Decentralised Governance and Development: A Study of Women Leadership in ULBs of Karnataka (ICSSR Major and Minor Project 2025-2026).
Principal Investigator	:	Dr. K.C Smitha
Name of the Position / Designation	:	Research Assistant/Research Associate
Essential Qualification	:	• Master's degree in political science, Gender Studies/Women Studies, Development Studies, Public Policy, Sociology, Economics or any other discipline related to social sciences, with minimum 55% (5% relaxation for ST/SC). - or • PhD in Political Science, Development studies, Gender Studies/Women Studies, Sociology, Public Policy, Economics or any other discipline related to social sciences • Proficient in quantitative and qualitative research and analysis (Primary Survey and Case Studies). • Experience in Literature Survey and Study Design. • Proficiency in Kannada is must for data collection. • Good written English and verbal communication skills. • At least 2 years of experience working in the domain of decentralisation and gender studies will be an added advantage.
Desirable Qualification	:	• Preference for NET/M.Phil/PhD and those with Proficiency in SPSS and MS Office. • 1-2 years of prior experience in field work and handling primary data and presenting analysis. • Good understanding of research methodologies and data collection. • Ability to work independently and collaboratively within a team environment.
Salary	:	Between Rs.25,000/- to Rs.35,000/- per month
Tenure	:	Three months (Extendable for another 3 months) <i>(Job contract may be terminated any time with a week notice if performance is unsatisfactory or citing any other reason or may not extend)</i>

Application Process:

Please send your CV and covering letter to smitha@isec.ac.in specifying the project title and position at the Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC), Professor V K R V Rao Road, Nagarabhavi PO, Bangalore - 560072.

Last date for sending your CVs: August 30th, 2026

- Only candidates fulfilling the above-mentioned qualifications will be selected for interview.
- Following the selection panel's shortlisting process, you will receive notification of the outcome of your application.
- Preference may be given to a candidate proficient in Kannada and English.
- For further details, please contact Dr. K.C Smitha (email: smitha@isec.ac.in)

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