

**Required Research Associates/ Project Assistants at IIM Lucknow for the following  
Consultancy Project**

Evaluation Study of ASPIRE scheme of MSME

**Background:** A Scheme for Promotion of Innovation, Rural Industry and Entrepreneurship (ASPIRE) was launched by MSME, GoI in 2015 to set up a network of Livelihood Business Incubators (LBI) and Technology Business Incubators (TBI) to promote start-ups for innovation and entrepreneurship in rural and agriculture based industry. An evaluation study is to be done to find out the operational efficacy and social, economic and technical impact of the scheme.

**Job Description:** The study shall require extensive field visits to the selected LBI/TBI, spread over 6-8 states of India. The research team will conduct interviews of key informants of the incubators and the incubates with the help of interview schedules and check lists. The task shall also require data entry, its processing and report writing.

**Qualification:** Post Graduation in Social Sciences preferably in Management/Economics/Sociology. Candidates should have knowledge of computer application and softwares like SPSS, MS Office etc. good communication skills in Hindi and English and familiarity with rural/agricultural environment. Those with prior work experience in similar projects shall be preferred.

**Remuneration:**

**Research Associate:** Rs. 19,500/- to Rs. 26,000/- per month, consolidated

**Project Assistant:** Rs. 13,000/- to Rs. 19,500/- per month, consolidated

**Duration of the Assignment:** 3-4 months from the date of appointment

In addition, TA/DA shall be paid for field visits as per IIML norms

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates may apply within 10 days from the issue of this notification through email with their CV/ resume to [cfam@iiml.ac.in](mailto:cfam@iiml.ac.in) or [cmm@iiml.ac.in](mailto:cmm@iiml.ac.in)

Only shortlisted candidates shall be interviewed online/in person/telephone.

Selected candidates shall be informed and asked to join immediately.

**Other Conditions:**

All positions are contractual; the term shall end with the expiry of the contract. Field visits shall be executed according to the SOP and GoI/ State Govt guidelines for Covid-19 issued from time to time.

No TA /DA shall be paid for attending personal interview.