

Annexure A

Call for Application

Applications are invited for ONE (01) position of **Research Assistant** under the Major Research Project (MRP) granted to Professor Sujay Ghosh (File No: 63/2024-25/ICSSR/RP/MJ/GEN), by Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR). The details of the Project are as follows:

Name of the Project: *Groundwork for Viksit Bharat: Citizen-Governance Interface in India (1989-2014)*

Emoluments: As per ICSSR norms.

Duration: Initially for **Six (06) Months**. Based upon satisfactory performances, it may be *periodically* extended up to twenty months.

Job Description and General Requirements:

The job requires intensive field studies as well as paperworks of various types. Hence, at the time of application, the Candidate must ensure that he/she possesses sound physical and mental fitness.

1. The Candidate shall normally be required to reside in or around the municipal areas of Midnapore, but he/she must be willing to work both in Midnapore and other parts of West Bengal, particularly Kolkata, for library works.
2. Since this is field-based research, the Candidate must be willing to travel extensively and stay in various interior parts of the country.
3. Apart from the field study period, the Candidate will be required to visit the University campus every day.
4. Since the Project Director (PD) have significant commitments both to the Department and the University, the successful candidate shall be required in assisting and accompanying the PD to visit the field during *the weekends and/or vacations, including festival periods*. In addition, the successful candidate *may sometimes have to visit the field alone*, as directed and planned by the PD
5. The Candidate shall assist the PD on various project related research works, such as collecting, processing, analysing and tabulating *both* qualitative and quantitative data.
6. The Candidate shall also assist the PD on various project related administrative works, such as maintaining the accounts, logbook and records.

7. As soon as the selection will be made, the successful Candidate shall be requested to join this **full-time assignment** immediately.
8. Application should be handwritten and made on the prescribed form uploaded as Annexure B. I regret that it will *not* be possible to accept any typewritten or altered Application forms.
9. The hard copy of the Application should reach the PD (address at the bottom) by 5.00 PM of **10 June 2025**. Late Application will not be entertained.
10. Depending on the number of Applications received, mere possession of the minimum qualifications shall not entitle an Applicant to be called for Interview.
11. The names of the Candidates (with mobile numbers), shortlisted for Interview are expected to be posted on the University website by 13 June 2025. The date of Interview shall be mentioned there. *No other mode of communication will be made.*
12. If invited for an Interview, no TA/DA shall be admissible.

Skills and Qualifications (Essential):


1. Master Degree with minimum 55% of marks in any of the following social science disciplines: Political Science. Economics or Sociology.
2. At least one from the following qualifications: NET, M. Phil or PhD.
3. Good knowledge of Bengali and English.
4. A working knowledge of Hindi.
5. Proven expertise in using quantitative methodology.

Skills and Qualifications (Desirable):

Everything else being equal, preference shall be given to:

1. The candidate who has obtained PhD.
2. The candidate who has the ability to handle statistical packages.
3. The candidate with experiences of working on previous projects by ICSSR, or organisations of similar standing.

PD Contact details: Dr Sujay Ghosh, Department of Political Science, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore 721102 (WB).


Professor
Department of Political Science
VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY
MIDNAPORE-721102, W.B.

Annexure B

Application Form for the Position of Research Assistant (for the ICSSR Major Research Project; File No: 63/2024-25/ICSSR/RP/MJ/GEN)

Instructions:

1. Please read the instructions carefully, as detailed in the Annexure A.
2. Please do not alter this Form.
3. Please fill up the Form clearly and legibly in a Blue-coloured ballpoint pen.
4. Please answer all the queries.
5. Typewritten and/or Incomplete Form or any alteration to the Form will not be accepted.
6. Please attach the self-attested copies of the qualifications.

Candidate Details

Name (in BLOCK Letters):

Date of Birth :

Address for communication:

Email :

Mobile No :

Your subject at Masters' Level:

Educational Qualifications (attach the self-attested copies of Certificates):

Course	Year of Passing	University	Percentage of Marks
MA/MSc			
M. Phil			
PhD			

Please mention the Title of your PhD Thesis (Write NA if not completed):

Language Skills (Write 'Good', 'Fair', 'Poor'; or in case of no knowledge, please write 'NIL'):

Language	Reading	Writing	Speaking
Bengali			
English			
Hindi			

Have you used Quantitative Methodology (please tick \sqrt the appropriate)? Yes/No.

Have you worked in any Research Project previously? If yes, please describe briefly (or, you may attach a sheet with this Application; and attach the self-attested copies of the relevant Certificates):

Declaration:

1. I possess good health and I am fit, both physically and mentally.
2. If selected, I shall join the position immediately.
3. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the ICSSR.
4. I agree to abide by the rules and regulations of Vidyasagar University.
5. I confirm that I have read *each and every point* in the '**Call for Application**' in Annexure A. By submitting this Application, I agree to *all* of those conditions.
6. I agree to follow each and every condition of this Project, as detailed in the '**Call for Application**' in the Annexure A; and as and will be directed by the Project Director.
7. I certify that all the details entered above are correct and true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of the Candidate (with Date)