



**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ROURKELA – 769 008 (ODISHA)  
SPONSORED RESEARCH, INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANCY & CONTINUING EDUCATION**

**NITR/SR/2023/Advt-22HS061/L/020, Dated: 02.06.2023**

Applications are invited on prescribed format (On-line) for the temporary post of “**Research Associate - 01**” for the “**Centre of Excellence on Public Health Nutrition.**”, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, National Institute of Technology Rourkela.

1.	Name of the Temporary Post:	Research Associate – 01( <b>Project Code: SR/22/HS/061</b> )
2.	Number of Positions	01
3.	Name of the Research Project:	Centre of Excellence (CoE) on ‘Public Health Nutrition’
4.	Name of the Sponsoring Agency:	UNICEF
5.	Tenure of the Project:	5 Years
6.	Tenure of the Assignment:	Initially contract will be given till 31 <sup>st</sup> December, 2023. Based on the performance contract will be extended further
7.	Duty Station and Reporting	The consultant to be stationed at Bhubaneswar and will be required to travel to intervention districts on need felt basis. Reporting: He/ She will be working under the direct supervision of PI, CoE-PHN, Nutrition Specialist, UNICEF and Commissioner- cum- Secretary, WCD.
8.	<b>Job Description:</b> <b>Staff Coordination:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Work under close supervision of UNICEF and CoE-PHN, NIT Rourkela.</li><li>• Maintain open and professional relationship with team members, department colleagues, promoting a strong team spirit to successfully perform in the position.</li><li>• Provide nutrition literacy support to government departments, providing on-the-job training where needed.</li><li>• Ensure non-disclosure of any information whatsoever about practices and program activities to any other person or organization without permission of NIT/ UNICEF, except in the normal performance of the service.</li><li>• Support and maintain close collaboration with Nutrition division of the health department and support collaborative nutrition programming across the state. Work closely with SAM and IYCF consultant for strengthening Nutrition Treatment interventions.</li><li>• Support capacity building and SOP development for the women self-help groups producing Take Home Ration and Augmented Take Home ration.</li></ul>

	<p><b>Specific Duties:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prepare special menu chart and recipe for children under six, pregnant and lactating women for pilot testing under the guidance of UNICEF</li> <li>• Assess nutritional requirements of different age groups, common nutritional deficiencies, and identify best practices for promoting healthy eating habits and preventing malnutrition.</li> <li>• Support in rolling out Poshan 2.0 in Odisha to improve nutrition outcome</li> <li>• Support the malnutrition prevention and treatment initiatives of the department of Woman and Child Development</li> <li>• Support in collation and analysing programme data for taking strategic policy actions for malnutrition prevention</li> <li>• Support the Nutrition governance initiatives of the department and undertake necessary collaborative actions with other department and development partners (like UNICEF)</li> <li>• Support knowledge management activities related to nutrition on behalf of DWCD/UNICEF/NIT</li> <li>• Technically support the Purna Aahaara (CMAM) initiative of the department in close collaboration with the Department of Health and UNICEF</li> <li>• Undertake any other actions as entrusted by the department/ UNICEF/ NIT from time to time</li> </ul>	
9.	Consolidated monthly Salary/ Fellowship:	Rs. 70,000/- per month
10.	Essential Qualifications and experience:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A master's degree in Public Health Nutrition, Social Sciences, Population studies or another related field with at least one year of work experience and fluency in English</li> <li>• Proficient in collecting, analysing, and interpreting nutrition-related data, and ability to use research findings to inform program planning, implementation, and evaluation.</li> </ul>
11.	Desirable Qualifications/ Experiences:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PhD in Nutrition and other related fields</li> <li>• Knowledge on quantitative and qualitative research methods.</li> <li>• Knowledge of Process documentation impact evaluation methods</li> <li>• Knowledge of data analysis software (Stata, R,SPSS)</li> <li>• Fluency in Odia</li> <li>• Experience with educational/system strengthening research and data-driven policy making</li> </ul>
12.	Selection Process	Written Test and Personal Interview
13.	Age	As per Institute Norms.
14.	Accommodation:	NA

For technical information on the project, the candidate may contact the Principal Investigator at the following address:

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**Date and Time for the Test/Online Interview: 26<sup>th</sup> June at 10:00 AM**

Eligible candidates may apply within **16.06.2023, 2359 HRS**. The candidates are required to send the complete filled up application form along with a resume (Soft copy) to [pradhanj@nitrkl.ac.in](mailto:pradhanj@nitrkl.ac.in) with a cc to [coepfn.nitr@gmail.com](mailto:coepfn.nitr@gmail.com). The application form is available in the following link [http://nitrkl.ac.in/oldwebsite/Jobs\\_Tenders/5ProjectFellowships/Doc/JRF%20LS-PND-64\(2\).pdf](http://nitrkl.ac.in/oldwebsite/Jobs_Tenders/5ProjectFellowships/Doc/JRF%20LS-PND-64(2).pdf) which must be filled by candidates and also required to attach photocopies of all supporting documents, research papers (if any) etc.

Candidates will build a **Single PDF** file; it is to be sent to Principal Investigator ([pradhanj@nitrkl.ac.in](mailto:pradhanj@nitrkl.ac.in) with a cc to [coepfn.nitr@gmail.com](mailto:coepfn.nitr@gmail.com)) **on or before 16.06.2023, 2359 HRS**. The candidates are also required to produce relevant documents mentioned in the application form [such as original of all mark sheets and certificates, research papers (if any), experience certificate (if any) etc.] at the time of interview / joining. Selection / Joining will be cancelled in case of any suppression of information / document provided earlier.

Mere possession of minimum qualification does not guarantee invitation to the interview. Candidates will be short listed based on merit and need of the project. **The Shortlisted candidates called for the interview will be intimated by 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

Sd/-  
Asst. Registrar (SR)

Copy to:

- 1) All Heads of the Departments, NIT, Rourkela for publication on Departmental Notice Boards.
- 2) Dr. Jalandhar Pradhan, PI with a request to give wide publicity to advertisement.
- 3) Head of the Department, HS.
- 4) Project file.