Applications are invited from suitable candidates for filling up the purely temporary positions (two posts) of Senior Research Fellow/Project Associate-II in the DBT Multi Institutional project entitled “Characterization of Genetic Resources: Mainstreaming rice landraces diversity in varietal development through genome-wide association studies: A model for large scale utilization of gene bank collections of rice” of Dr. Aashish Ranjan, Scientist, NIPGR.

Senior Research Fellow/Project Associate-II (two posts): Emoluments as per DST/DBT norms & as sanctioned in the project.

Qualification of Senior Research Fellow: Candidates selected through National Eligibility Tests as mentioned in the DST Office Memorandum number SR/S9/Z-08/2018 dated January 30, 2019, and having Master's degree in Life Sciences/Biotechnology/ Biochemistry /Plant Physiology/Genetics & Plant Breeding/Bioinformatics or any other related fields with at least 60 % marks (or equivalent) with at least two years post-Master's research experience are eligible to apply.

Qualification of Project Associate-II: Candidates fulfilling the eligibility criteria mentioned in the DST Office Memorandum number SR/S9/Z-05/2019 dated July 10, 2020 and having Master's degree in Life Sciences/Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/Plant Physiology/Genetics & Plant Breeding/Bioinformatics or any other related fields with at least 60 % marks (or equivalent) with at least two years post-Master's research experience are eligible to apply. The upper age limit for PA-II is 35 years.

Strong basic understanding of molecular biology, genetics, plant breeding, and/or plant physiology is required. Candidate with prior work experience in genomics, plant breeding, molecular biology, and/or plant physiology are encouraged to apply.

The above positions are completely on temporary basis and co-terminus with the project. The fellowship amount for the above position is as sanctioned in the project. The initial appointment will be for one year or till the tenability of the project whichever is earlier and the same can be curtailed/extended on the basis of assessment of the candidate's performance and discretion of the Competent Authority. NIPGR reserves the right to select the candidate against the above post depending upon the qualification and experience of the candidate. Reservation of posts shall be as per Govt. of India norms. The appointment may be terminated any time by giving one month notice by either side. The applicants will have no claim implicit or explicit for consideration against any regular position of NIPGR.

Eligible candidates may apply by sending soft copy through e-mail in the given format with a cover letter showing interest. The soft copy of the self-attested copies of the mark-sheets, certificates, (10th standard onwards) and proof of research experience/publications should be attached with the application. A single pdf file, consisting of application from cover letter, and all documents, must be sent to aranj@nipgr.ac.in within 15 days from the date of advertisement. Convassing in any form or bringing influence, political or otherwise, will lead to disqualification of the candidate(s). A web-link with date and time of online interview will be e-mailed to the shortlisted candidates only. The candidates must ascertain their eligibility before applying, as ineligible candidates will not be interviewed.

Note: ONLY soft copy of the application in the given format will be accepted. No TA/DA will be paid for attending online interview. For any clarification candidates may contact Scientist in charge through e-mail only.

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