

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PLANT GENOME RESEARCH

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Applications are invited from suitable candidates for filling up the purely temporary positions of one Project Associate-I (PA-I) in the scheme of “Short-Term Research Fellowship”, NIPGR under the supervision of Dr. Shiv Kumar Meena, Scientist, NIPGR. Emoluments will be at par with similar fellowships by DBT/DST and NIPGR fellowship norms.

Name of Position: Project Associate-I (PA-I) - 01 post.

Upper age limit: 35 years

Eligibility: Highly motivated candidates having M.Sc. degree or equivalent (with minimum 60% marks or equivalent) in Life Sciences/ Botany/ Biochemistry/Biotechnology/Molecular Biology or any other related field with NET-JRF or those who fulfill the criteria mentioned in the DST Office Memorandum number SR/S9/Z-05/2019 dated July 10, 2020 are eligible to apply.

Project Description: Selected candidate will work towards the experimental characterization of antisense long noncoding RNAs (lncRNAs) in plants. The candidate will extensively employ experimental and *in silico* RNA biology methods to functionally elucidate *in planta* role(s) and molecular mechanism(s) of select antisense lncRNAs in plants using *Arabidopsis thaliana* as model system.

Desirable: Previous knowledge of experimental RNA Biology/Plant pathology/mycology, GreenGate cloning, and plant molecular biology techniques.

The position is purely temporary and is co-terminus with the scheme. The initial appointment will be for one year, which can be extended/curtailed on the basis of assessment of the candidate's performance and discretion of the Competent Authority. NIPGR reserves the right to select the candidates against the above posts depending upon the qualifications and experience of the candidates. Reservation of post shall be as per Government of India norms. The appointment may be terminated at 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 candidate need to apply by filling up the necessary information and upload all the necessary documents (degree certificate/research experience/publication(s) etc.) in the given Google Forms <https://forms.gle/nDBPoMFRsH74aFZq5> within 15 days from the date of advertisement. Candidates applying with incomplete information will not be considered for an interview. Additionally, the candidate must use the same name in the Google Form as it is in the bona fide certificates and application. Only shortlisted candidates will be intimated for an online interview. A link with the date and time of the online interview will be e-mailed to the shortlisted candidates. The candidates must ascertain their eligibility before applying, as ineligible candidates will not be interviewed. Canvassing in any form or bringing influence, political or otherwise, will lead to the disqualification of the candidate.

Note: Only soft copies of the application in the given format will be accepted. No. TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview. For any clarification or question(s) candidates may contact the Scientist in-charge through e-mail.

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