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Applications are invited from suitable candidates for filling up the purely temporary position of one **Research Associate-III** in the project entitled “Development of a rapid generation advancement protocol and image-based disease screening tool using a mutant population: an approach toward developing dry root rot-resistant chickpea under drought”, under the supervision of Dr. Senthil-Kumar Muthappa, Scientist, BRIC-NIPGR. The details of position are as under:

Research Associate-III (One post): Emoluments ₹67,000/- plus 27% HRA per month, as sanctioned in the project.

Qualification: Candidates holding a Ph. D. degree in Computer Science, Computational Biology and Bioinformatics, Artificial Intelligence, Electrical Communication Engineering, Agricultural Engineering, or equivalent disciplines, and fulfilling the eligibility criteria specified in DST-OM No. DST/PCPM/Z-06/2022 dated June 26, 2023, are eligible to apply.

The project requires prior experience in the development of automated Internet of Things (IoT)/ optimized edge-to-cloud data systems/ integration of sensor-derived numerical data/image-based data analysis/ AI/Machine Learning/Deep Learning techniques. Experience in working with plant disease/stress phenotyping, sensors, explainable AI, computer vision, and handling plant stress biology datasets is desirable.

The above position is completely temporary and co-terminus with the project. The fellowship/emolument amount for the above position is as sanctioned in the project and as per BRIC-NIPGR/DBT/DST norms. 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. BRIC-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 BRIC-NIPGR.

Candidates need to apply by filling up the necessary information through the Google Form (<https://forms.gle/2G3d14nEqyf8YDYZ8>) within 15 days from the date of advertisement. Applicants must upload a cover letter expressing their interest, along with a complete biodata in the prescribed format, self-attested scanned copies of all mark sheets and certificates (from Class X onwards), and proof of research experience and publications, compiled into a single PDF file and submitted through the Google Form. Incomplete applications or applications submitted without the required supporting educational certificates will be rejected. Candidates must use exactly the same name in the Google Form as it appears on their educational certificates. A web link for the online interview, along with the date and time, will be sent by email only to the shortlisted candidates. Candidates are advised to ensure that they meet the prescribed eligibility criteria before applying, as ineligible candidates will not be considered for shortlisting or interview.

Note: Incomplete application and those in the wrong format will be summarily rejected. No TA/DA will be paid for attending the online interview. For any clarification regarding the advertisement or the application process, candidates may contact the Scientist-in-Charge through email only.

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