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Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology,
Faculty of Arts,
Banaras Hindu University

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Advertisement for the post of Research Assistant

Applications are invited from eligible Indian nationals for the following temporary positions under the Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS), Ministry of Education, Government of India funded research project entitled: "Purāṇic Dynastic Traditions and the Early Political History of India: A Critical Study of the Viṣṇu and Vāyu Purāṇa" under the supervision of Prof. Pravesh Kumar Srivastava, Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

Details of Positions

Name of Position	No. of Posts	Monthly Remuneration	Essential Qualifications
Research Associate	01	₹30,000/- per month	Ph.D. in Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology / Sanskrit / Ancient History / Indology or allied subject; OR Postgraduate in the relevant subject with UGC-NET/JRF and proven research experience related to Purāṇic studies, Ancient Indian polity, historiography or Sanskrit texts.
Project Assistant	01	₹22,500/- per month	Postgraduate in Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology / Sanskrit / Ancient History / Archaeology / Indology or allied subject with minimum 55% marks with NET/JRF (Preferable)
Sanskrit Consultant	01	₹8,000/- per month	Acharya/M.A. in Sanskrit with proficiency in Purāṇic Sanskrit texts, translation and manuscript reading.

Nature of the Positions

All positions are purely temporary and co-terminus with the project.

Duration/Tenure

Initially for one year, extendable on the basis of satisfactory performance and project requirements.

Desirable Qualifications

- Knowledge of Purāṇic literature and Sanskrit texts.
- Experience in ancient Indian historiography and textual studies.
- Familiarity with manuscript studies and epigraphy.
- Good academic writing and computer skills.
- Candidates having published research work in related areas will be preferred.

Preference will be given to candidates having knowledge of Sanskrit sources, manuscriptology, Purāṇic literature and Indian Knowledge Systems.

How to Apply

Interested eligible candidates are required to send their application along with complete bio-data, self-attested copies of educational certificates and mark sheets, research publications (if any), experience certificates and a recent passport-size photograph.

Applications may be sent by email or post within 21 days from the date of advertisement to:

Prof. Pravesh Kumar Srivastava
Professor & Former Head
Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology
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Varanasi – 221005
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Interview

- Only shortlisted candidates will be called for interview.
- The date and mode of interview will be communicated through email.
- Candidates must produce original documents at the time of interview.
- No TA/DA will be provided for attending the interview.

Note

- The positions are purely temporary and project-based.
- The University reserves the right not to fill any position if suitable candidates are not found.
- Canvassing in any form will lead to disqualification.
- The decision of the selection committee shall be final.



(Prof. Pravesh Kumar Srivastava)
Principal Investigator
IKS Research Project
Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture and Archaeology
Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi

Attach recent passport size photo

Format of the Application for "Research Assistant"

1. Name of the Candidate:
2. Date of Birth:
3. Gender:
4. Residential address:
5. Email:
6. Mobile:
7. Language Skills (Spoken and Written):
8. Computer Skills:
9. Academic Qualifications:

Degree	**Year of passing**	**Subjects/ Title**	**University**	**Percentage (if applicable)**
UG				
PG				
M. Phil				
UGC NET				
UGC JRF				
PhD				
Any Other				

10. Field Experience:
11. Research Experience (Article, Books):
12. Paper Presented in Seminar/ Conference:
13. Any Other Relevant information:

Date:

Name:

Signature: