

## Research Assistant Advertisement

### For the Advertisement Post:

Social Science Research Assistants required for Water Security and COVID-19 Research.

The post entails the collection of data within Delhi to explore the impacts of lockdown and COVID-19 on access to water. The candidates must have a mobile phone and be available for employment between September 2020 and January 2021.

Salary: INR 40,000 per month

If interested please send a covering letter and a copy of your CV to:

Closing date: 31 August 2020

### Further Details:

<b>Institution</b>	School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), Delhi, India; School of Politics and International Studies (POLIS), University of Leeds, UK.
<b>Post Title</b>	Research Assistant
<b>Project Title</b>	The Impact of COVID-19 on Water Security and Inequality in Delhi, India.
<b>Name of Principal Investigators</b>	Dr Sarah Cooper; Professor Ashok Kumar

### Position Summary

Two research assistants are required for fieldwork to support and undertake research led by the University of Leeds in collaboration with the School of Planning and Architecture, Delhi. The research will be instrumental in revealing the inequities experienced by different communities in Delhi in accessing water as a result of COVID-19 and the lockdown. This project is funded through the Rapid Response Research Fund issued by Newcastle University, contributing to the wider research hub: GCRF Water Security and Sustainable Development Hub.

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### KEY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- To work under the direction of the Principal Investigators.
- To communicate and organise respondents and stakeholders in Delhi working within the framework of the research objectives.
- To coordinate and perform a variety of independent and team activities involved in the collection, analysis, documentation and some interpretation of information/results.

- To provide guidance as required to any support staff and/or research students assisting with the research project, as agreed with the Principal Investigator.
- To perform other related duties incidental to the work described herein.

#### CRITERIA

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- A graduate qualification in a field of discipline relevant to the area of investigation i.e. BSc or MSc.
- Some research experience within the social sciences is essential. Experience of water security and livelihoods is desirable.
- Experience of using online mobile survey software.
- An ability to work independently to a tight schedule.
- Capability of working effectively within a team to achieve results.
- Evidence of excellent organisational and communication skills.
- High levels of initiative are encouraged.

If interested please send a covering letter and a copy of your CV to:

Either: Dr Sarah Cooper ([ipisjc@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:ipisjc@leeds.ac.uk)) or Professor Ashok Kumar

Please apply by the closing date: 31 August 2020.

Informal enquiries can be made in confidence to Professor Ashok Kumar, Professor of Physical Planning, Department of Physical Planning, School of Planning and Architecture, I.P. Estate, New Delhi – 110002. Email: [a.kumar@spa.ac.in](mailto:a.kumar@spa.ac.in)