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**The IIHS Post-Doctoral Programme**  
A Call for Fellows

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Post-Doctoral Fellow in Urban Health and Social Protection

## **The IIHS Post-Doctoral Programme**

IIHS seeks Post-Doctoral Fellows to join its vibrant intellectual environment within the Academics and Research programme. IIHS is increasingly recognized in India and internationally as a significant node in urban research and practice on the global South. Its promotion of inter-disciplinary pedagogy, on-the-ground learning, an excellent library on various aspects of the urban, and a convivial place for research make it an ideal location for scholarship.

Post-Doctoral fellowships at IIHS typically have one or two-year terms, and some may be extendable. While Fellows are hired institutionally at IIHS, each is hired into a specific and on-going research-based project, which will be the Fellow's first home within IIHS. *This call is associated with on-going work at IIHS' School of Human Development on the intersections of urban health, informal work and social protection.*

### **Post-Doctoral Fellow in Urban Health and Social Protection**

In partnership with the World Health Organisation and the WIEGO network (Women in Informal Employment Globalising and Organising), IIHS is working with informal women workers in construction, domestic work, home-based work, and street vending to understand how the conditions of their work impact their care-seeking behavior and health outcomes.

Project-related research will account for up to half of the Fellow's time, though this can vary for different projects. The remaining time is equally split between the Fellow's own research and writing as well as their participation in IIHS institutional roles. These roles include: teaching in on-going academic or capacity building programmes, participating in the internal conference and seminar series, and supporting institutional processes.

The project follows work that IIHS has been doing in settlements in New Delhi that sees how women who work in street-vending, domestic work and home-based work manage child care and, specifically, breast-feeding of infants under six months. The project seeks to investigate the impact of missing benefits (like maternity leave) or workplace conditions (such as occupational and health standards) on health care, as well as imagine how cities where the dominant work force is informal must imagine urban health systems.

The Post-Doctoral Fellow will primarily be responsible for the writing of a systematic review on urban health, informal work and social protection. The review will follow the highest standards of meta-analyses in order to lay the foundation for the next directions of IIHS' work in these areas. It will directly inform the set of interventions that will frame the work IIHS continues to do.

There will also be opportunities for pursuing existing and individual work as well as generating new research opportunities within these themes.

**Field work:** This position can be based in New Delhi or Bengaluru, with travel for fieldwork. This is a one-year position, extendable.

**Qualifications:** Applicants should hold a PhD in a relevant field (including but not limited to public health, medicine, development studies, among others) with proven research and at least one peer-reviewed publication in these themes. Candidates with training and work on social protection and economic development are welcome to apply but must demonstrate knowledge and capacity in public health.

**Diversity Policy:** IIHS is an equal opportunity employer that encourages women, people with disabilities and those from economically and socially excluded communities with the requisite skills and qualifications to apply for positions.

**To Apply:** Please email a detailed and updated Curriculum Vitae (must include at least two possible references), along with a cover letter addressing how you meet the above requirements, to hr [at] iihs dot co dot in (Subject: Post-Doctoral Fellowship in Urban Health and Social Protection).

**Deadline:** 31 March 2018

**Note**

All offers are on an exclusive basis, which implies that other professional assignments (whether compensated or not) that bear a potential conflict of interest with IIHS cannot be undertaken.



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