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**JOB DESCRIPTION**

# Consultant/Senior Consultant – Housing Policy & Practice

## About Us

The Indian Institute for Human Settlements (IIHS) is a national education institution committed to the equitable, sustainable and efficient transformation of Indian settlements.

IIHS aims to establish an independently funded and managed national university of eminence for research and innovation focused on the challenges and opportunities of India's urban transition. The proposed IIHS University will be an institution of eminence that will host an integrated programme of quality campus-based education and research, training and lifelong learning for working professionals, distance and blended learning, as well as a whole array of practice and advisory services. The university will have a strong interdisciplinary orientation bringing together theory and praxis that is grounded in the South Asian context and also engages with and draws from knowledge across the globe.

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## Job Description

IIHS seeks a person to join their housing team. The team has a wide range of work and focus areas within housing: (1) State and central housing policy; (2) Capacity building of public actors engaged in the delivery of affordable housing; (3) Rental housing; (4) Structure and functioning of the housing market, including housing finance; (5) Housing rights and activism; (6) Incrementality and self-built housing; as well as (7) Building, design and material innovation, among others. IIHS is a National Resource Centre with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, and works closely with several state governments on capacity building, project implementation and training on housing.

The team seeks a part-time or full-time consultant with experience in the housing sector, including but not limited to policy advisory and consulting, housing finance, project and financial management, and housing design and delivery. We are particularly interested in candidates who seek to work closely with government, communities and actors on live and applied projects; have an interest in impacting housing policy as well as in the improvement of market delivery in Indian cities. Ideal candidates will be interested equally in analysis as well as implementation of housing projects in order to both demonstrate proposition and build knowledge.

## Activities and Tasks

Responsibilities would include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Developing a portfolio of projects linked to improvement of market delivery of housing in Indian cities;
- Undertaking specific applied research on aspects of the housing market, with a focus on finance, project management, project design as well as regulation;
- Joining teams that work with state governments to improve and support public supply for housing under missions, programmes, and projects;
- Joining teams to build focused policy advisories for state and central governments on housing;
- Curriculum development and teaching on housing-related themes in both short and long-term academic programmes; training and/or assisting in training on relevant modules in IIHS' executive education (capacity building) programmes;

- Participating in all activities of Institution-Building at IIHS; carrying out tasks as assigned by IIHS; and travelling on IIHS work within or outside the country as and when needed.

### **Structure and Reporting**

The Consultant/Senior Consultant - Housing Policy and Practice will report to the Lead - Academics & Research at IIHS and collaborate effectively with a diverse group of internal teams and external individuals/organizations, and students.

### **Person Specification**

The applicant will hold a Master's degree in a relevant discipline (planning, housing, architecture, development studies, economics, sociology, design, among others) and bring 8-12 years of experience in the housing sector across projects, research, or policy advisory. Ideal candidates will have experience managing medium to large-scale projects in the sector.

This offer is on an exclusive basis (unless defined as a part-time consulting engagement), which implies that other professional assignments (whether compensated or not) that bear a potential conflict of interest with IIHS cannot be undertaken.

The search will remain open until the position is filled.

### **Location**

This position is based in Bengaluru and may entail travel to other locations in India.

### **Review and Assessment**

The role and performance of the incumbent shall be subject to normal review and assessment systems at IIHS.

### **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**

If you are interested to explore this opportunity with us, please fill the online application form by clicking [here](#). (You can also click on the "Apply Now" button at the end of the Job Description displayed on the website).

### **Contact**

Please write to us at [hr@iihs.co.in](mailto:hr@iihs.co.in) if you need any clarifications while filling the online application form.



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