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JOB DESCRIPTION

Senior Associate – Housing

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.

For more information, please see <http://www.iihs.co.in>

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 Senior Associate who can work on multiple projects across these domains. The role requires moving quickly between research, design, and implementation, and we are particularly interested in associates who seek to work closely with government, communities and actors on live and applied projects with extensive field work even as they research, document and write on housing.

The Senior Associate will also be encouraged to begin and further their areas of research, with support for the same.

Activities and Tasks

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

- Being part of teams on implementation projects, supporting conceptualization, design and delivery;
- Providing research support to on-going projects, including analytical writing, policy advisory, and project documentation;
- Extensive field work as required on research or practice projects;
- Curriculum development and teaching on housing 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 Senior Associate - Housing 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

An ideal candidate will have a Master's degree in a relevant discipline (planning, housing, architecture, development studies, economics, sociology, design, among others) with a proven research and practice record on aspects of IIHS' housing portfolio as described above. They will have at least 5 years of experience on research or practice projects, evidence of capacity to do field work, as well as strong writing capabilities.

Applicants must have spoken and written proficiency in English and at least one other modern Indian language, among which Kannada, Tamil, and Hindi are preferred.

This offer is 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.

The search will remain open until the position is filled.

Location

The position is based in Bengaluru and will entail extensive 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).

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