Research Staff (Project Associate-I) position under ISRO funded project

Applications are invited from interested and motivated candidates for **ONE (01) Project Associate-I** (PA-I) position in the Department of **Mechanical Engineering** at BITS Pilani, K. K. Birla Goa Campus, Goa for a **ISRO** funded research project.

Project Title: Forming Limiting Diagram (FLD) Generation and Optimization of Cold forming of KC20WN Cobalt Based Super Alloy for Rocket Nozzle Divergent (RAC-S/FRP/25-26/12).

Principal Investigator (PI): Dr. Sudhy S Panicker, BITS Pilani Goa Campus [Profile; LinkedIn; Google Scholar]

Co-PI (1): Dr. Randhir Kumar Singh, Dept. MME, MNIT Jaipur [Profile; LinkedIn; Google Scholar]

Co-PI (2): Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar, Scientist, LPSC, ISRO Thiruvananthapuram [Google Scholar]

Broad area of Research: Sheet Metal Forming, Metallurgical Characterization, Design for Manufacturing.

Duration of the project: 2 Years

Fellowship Amount (Rs.): 31,000 per month + HRA as per norms

Accommodation: Hostel accommodation will be provided subject to availability and will be governed by the rules and regulations of the Institute prevailing at the time of joining of the candidate.

Qualification: First class Post Graduate/ Graduate Degree (M.E./ M.Tech./ M.S.) in Mechanical/ Manufacturing/ Production/ Metallurgy and Materials/ Design Engineering, selected through a process described through any one of the following:-

- 1. Scholars who are selected through National Eligibility Tests GATE, CSIR-UGC NET including lectureship (Assistant Professorship).
- 2. Selection process through National level examinations conducted by central Government departments and their agencies and Institutions such as DST, DBT, DAE, DOS, DRDO, MHRD, ICAR, IIT, IISc, IISER etc.
- 3. Candidates who have not appeared in the above examinations may still be considered for the position.

Required Skills: Fundamental knowledge of manufacturing processes, metal forming, mechanical and material characterization, design for manufacturing, finite element modelling and analyses.

Desirable Skills: Passion towards research, developing new experimental setups, experimental and numerical investigation, problem-solving skills, and an aspiration to pursue Ph.D. on the project topic.

• The PA-I will develop experimental setup and perform experimental and numerical analyses for sheet metal forming processing including mechanical and metallurgical characterizations. He/She will collaborate closely with PIs to ensure successful completion of project and quality outcomes.

Benefits:

- Selected candidate will get a chance to apply for PhD degree at BITS Pilani, K. K. Birla Goa Campus (Rules of PhD program for BITS Pilani are applicable).
- Training in development of new experimental forming setups, metallurgical characterization, numerical methods and their applications to real-time engineering problems.

<u>How to Apply:</u> Interested candidates apply using the link: https://forms.gle/qnv1jvKf9gW8LaqVA by 16th November 2025. Candidates must attach a detailed curriculum vitae with details of research experience(s) while filling the form.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted via E-mail for Online/ Personal interview to be held at BITS Pilani-K K Birla Goa Campus. No TA/DA will be paid for the Interview.

For queries, please contact PI via email: sudhyp@goa.bits-pilani.ac.in.

