



Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani

Hyderabad Campus

CALL FOR FIELD INVESTIGATORS FOR A PROJECT FUNDED BY THE ICSSR

Date: 12 March 2026

Applications are invited from suitable candidates for Field Investigators (1) to work on the following project sponsored by ICSSR.

Title of the project: Coastal Erosion: Adaptation Relocation and Rehabilitation in a Resilience Framework (CeARRRF)

Duration of the project: 4 Years

Project position and number: Field Investigators (No. 1) for Rajnagar, Kendrapara, Odisha

Consolidated amount: 20,000/

Eligibility requirements: Post Graduate in Social Science Disciplines, preferably in Disaster Management/Sociology/ Economics/Development Studies/Social Work/Geography/Education etc. (minimum 55% marks). In addition, language skill in Odia is essential.

Interested candidates with the above-mentioned qualification can send a CV, and a one-page statement, highlighting reasons for interest in this position, and skills that align with specific position's requirements by 30th April, 2026, to the Principal Investigator, Biswanath Dash via email: biswanath@hyderabad.bits-pilani.ac.in or by post Biswanath Dash (Associate Professor), K 131, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, BITS-Pilani, Hyderabad campus, Medchal District, Kapra Mandal, Hyderabad - 500078. Please note that only qualified and suitable candidates will be called for interview and no TA/DA will be paid for the interview.

Terms of Reference (TOR) for Field Investigators

1. Description of the Project: The position of Field Investigators is to support fieldwork and data collection for an ICSSR funded Longitudinal Study, title of the project: Coastal Erosion: Adaptation Relocation and Rehabilitation in a Resilience Framework (CeARRRF). The study will examine the coastal erosion management approaches, across different social contexts in India to formulate a systematic approach that will be helpful at the national, state and local level. The project is for a 4 years period, and is carried out by a multi-disciplinary research team from, BITS Pilani Hyd Campus, IIT Madras and IIT Bhubaneswar, and AIIMS, New Delhi.





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2. Place of work: The Field Investigator will be primarily responsible for conducting fieldwork in Kendrapara district, Odisha.
3. Key roles and responsibilities:
 - Conducting Surveys, Interviews and Focused Group Discussion
 - Transcription of data and data compilation
 - Assist in quantitative and qualitative data analysis
 - Maintaining project database and records
 - Coordination and liaising with other stakeholders including government agencies Any other project related task assigned by the Project Directors

4. Qualification and Experience

Essential Qualification: Post Graduate Degree in any Social Science Disciplines preferably in subjects such as Disaster Management/Sociology/ Economics/ Social Work/Development Studies/Geography etc. (minimum 55% marks). In addition, language skill in Odia is essential.

Desirable: Experience of conducting fieldwork

5. Terms of Employment

The employment is contractual, and is coterminous with the project period. A one month notice period will be given in the event of an earlier termination.

6. How to apply

You should apply by email to biswanath@hyderabad.bits-pilani.ac.in with your CV, and a one-page statement, highlighting reasons for your interest in this position and skills that align with specific position's requirements. The last date for application submission is **30th April 2026**.

7. Selection Procedure:

The shortlisted applications will be contacted, and an online interview will be scheduled for interaction. The selected candidates are expected to join immediately.

8. Remuneration: Consolidated Pay of Rs 20,000/

Name of the PI: Biswanath Dash

Designation of the PI: Associate Professor

