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The Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (IITR), established in 1965, a constituent laboratory of Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR). The institute is actively engaged in Research & Development (R&D) in core areas of toxicology and National Science & Technology (S&T) Missions. Its major areas of research include Environmental Toxicology, Predictive Toxicology, Health Risk Assessment, Preventive Toxicology, Inhalation Toxicology, Analytical Toxicology, etc. IITR has two campuses. The Main Campus is centrally located in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, while the Second Campus is situated approximately 20 km from the Main Campus.

Eligible and interested candidates are invited to appear for the personal Interview for purely temporary engagement as 'Project Staff' under various CSIR or externally funded projects tenable at CSIR-IITR, Lucknow.

The Summarized Project-wise Vacancy Positions and other details are provided below:

Level	Project Code	No. of Posts	Upper Age Limit	Monthly Emoluments (Rs.)	Mode of Selection and Date & Venue of Interview
Project Associate-I	FBR050404	04	35 years Relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST, PwBD and Women Candidates and 3 years in case of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates.	Rs. 25,000/-+ HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month.	Interview On 23.10.2026 Reporting Time: 09:00 AM Gate Closing Time: 10:00 AM Venue: CSIR-IITR, 31 Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001.
	FTT030602	02		OR	
	CLP-39	01		Rs. 31,000/- + HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month.	
	FBR 090407	01		for those Candidates who have qualified CSIR-UGC / ICMR / ICAR NET or GATE or National level examination conducted by Central Government Departments and their agencies and Institutions, provided that the qualifying fellowship/score is valid as on the date of the Interview.	
	MMP025304	06			
	HCP002601	01			
	Total	15 (Fifteen)			
Project Associate-II	MLP-002624 (EC-PA2)	02	35 years Relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST, PwBD and Women Candidates and 3 years in case of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates.	Rs. 28,000/-+ HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month	Interview On 22.10.2026 Reporting Time: 09:00 AM Gate Closing Time: 10:00 AM Venue: CSIR-IITR, 31 Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001
	SSP-540	01		OR	
	SSP-532	01		Rs. 35,000/- + HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month	
	HCP002601	01		for those Candidates who have qualified CSIR-UGC / ICMR / ICAR NET or GATE or National level examination conducted by Central Government Departments and their agencies and Institutions, provided that the qualifying fellowship/score is valid as on the date of the Interview.	
	Total	05 (Five)			

Level	Project Code	No. of Posts	Upper Age Limit	Monthly Emoluments (Rs.)	Mode of Selection and Date & Venue of Interview
Senior Project Associate	MLP-002624 (IT-SA)	01	40 years Relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST, PwBD and Women Candidates and 3 years in case of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates.	Rs. 42,000/- + HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month.	Interview On 22.10.2026 Reporting Time: 09:00 AM Gate Closing Time: 10:00 AM Venue: CSIR-IITR, 31 Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001
	MLP-002624 (FEST-GLABP)	01			
	Total	02 (Two)			
Project Scientist-I	MLP-002624 (SAM-PS1)	01	35 years Relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST, PwBD and Women Candidates and 3 years in case of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates.	Rs. 56,000/- + HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month. Increment of 5% for every 2 years of experience in the same project.	Interview On 22.10.2026 Reporting Time: 09:00 AM Gate Closing Time: 10:00 AM Venue: CSIR-IITR, 31 Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001
	MLP-002624 (IT-SS)	01			
	HCP002601	01			
	Total	03 (Three)			
Project Research Scientist-II	GAP-477	01	40 years Relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST, PwBD and Women Candidates and 3 years in case of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates.	Rs. 67,000/- + HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month	Interview On 22.10.2026 Reporting Time: 09:00 AM Gate Closing Time: 10:00 AM Venue: CSIR-IITR, 31 Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001
	Total	01 (One)			
Junior Research Assistant	GAP-476	01	28 years As on 1 st of April of the Year. Relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST, PwBD and Women Candidates and 3 years in case of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates.	Rs. 25,000/- Per Month For The First Two Years & Rs. 28,000/- Per Month For Third Year.	Interview On 23.10.2026 Reporting Time: 09:00 AM Gate Closing Time: 10:00 AM Venue: CSIR-IITR, 31 Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001
	Total	01 (One)			
Project Assistant-I	HCP002601	02	35 years Relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST, PwBD and Women Candidates and 3 years in case of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates.	Rs. 18,000/- + HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month.	Interview On 23.10.2026 Reporting Time: 09:00 AM Gate Closing Time: 10:00 AM Venue: CSIR-IITR, 31 Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001
	Total	02 (Two)			
Project Technical Support-III	GAP-447	01	35 years Relaxable up to 5 years in case of SC/ST, PwBD and Women Candidates and 3 years in case of OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates.	Rs. 28,000/-+ HRA (20% of fellowship) Per Month.	Interview On 22.10.2026 Reporting Time: 09:00 AM Gate Closing Time: 10:00 AM Venue: CSIR-IITR, 31 Mahatma Gandhi Marg, Lucknow-226001
	GAP-477	01			
	Total	02 (Two)			

The detailed project-wise vacancy positions and required educational qualifications are provided below:

Sr. No	Name, Post Code & No. of Position and Title of the Project	Qualification & Experience	Job Description
1.	Project Associate-I (PAT-I) FBR050404 (04) “Occurrence, Toxicity and Remediation of Pharmaceutical Active Compounds (PhACs) in Indian Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) Water.”	Essential Qualification: M.Sc. in Zoology/Environmental Sciences/Biochemistry.	Research activity involving STP visits, sample collection, and toxicity assessment of PhACs in <i>D. magna</i> model.
		Desirable Qualification: Prior experience in field sample collection and conducting bioassays in <i>Daphnia magna</i> model.	
		Essential Qualification: M.Sc. in Chemistry.	Research activity involving STP visits, sample collection, processing, and instrumental analysis of PhACs in STP water.
		Desirable Qualification: Prior experience in extraction/processing of environmental samples and analysis by chromatographic systems.	
		Essential Qualification: M.Sc. in Zoology/Biotechnology/Microbiology/Biochemistry	Research activity involving STP visits, sample collection, and toxicity assessment of PhACs in <i>C. elegans</i> model.
		Desirable Qualification: Prior experience of handling <i>C. elegans</i> model, microscopy and biochemical assays.	
		Essential Qualification: M.Sc./M.Tech in Life Sciences/Microbiology/Biotechnology.	Research activity involving STP visits, sample collection, and routine microbiological analysis (culturing, biochemical tests, and PCR), and bioinformatics.
		Desirable Qualification: Hands on experience in microbiological, biochemical, molecular biology and/or bioinformatic techniques evident from internship/dissertation or related prior work.	
2.	Project Associate-I (PAT-I) FTT030602 (02) “Scaling up the multi-fume technology integrated with a sequential fumigation process and eco-friendly fumigants for safe storage of food commodities against insect pest infestations”.	Essential Qualification: M.Sc., Toxicology / Zoology or M.V.Sc in Pharmacology/Toxicology/Pathology/Lab Animal Science.	To assess safety evaluation of eco-friendly fumigants as per OECD guidelines in mammalian and ecological model systems.
		Desirable Qualification: Experience In Conducting Toxicological Studies in Aquatic, Terrestrial, and Mammalian Model Systems.	
3.	Project Associate-I (PAT-I) CLP-39 (01) “Lead-UP (Lead Exposure Assessment and Detection in Uttar Pradesh).”	Essential Qualification: Master’s Degree In Chemistry / Chemical Sciences / Analytical Chemistry.	Activity involving preparation of different food and environmental samples for metal analysis.
		Desirable Qualification: Experience in leaching studies, metal analysis and analytical equipments like ICP-MS / AAS.	
4.	Project Associate-I (PAT-I) FBR090407 (01) “Mixture Toxicity of Emerging Contaminants and it’s Cumulative Risk Assessment in Marine & Fresh Water Ecosystems (MIXTOX).”	Essential Qualification: M.Sc., Toxicology / Zoology / Biotechnology / Biochemistry.	Mixture toxicity assessment of emerging contaminants in <i>Daphnia magna</i> and <i>Daniorerio</i> .
		Desirable Qualification: Experience In Field Sample Collection And Conducting Bioassays In Aquatic Organisms.	

5.	Project Associate-I (PAT-I) MMP025304 (06) “CSIR Aroma 4.0: Driving Sustainable Rural Empowerment and Entrepreneurship through Aromatic Plants.”	Essential Qualification: Master's Degree in Biotechnology / Toxicology / Zoology from a recognized University or equivalent. Desirable Qualification: Preference will be given to personnel with Research/Working experience in mammalian cell culture/ regulatory frameworks, and experience handling small laboratory animals, etc.	To conduct the in vitro studies using cultured mammalian cells/ safety/ toxicity studies under the regulatory framework.
6.	Project Associate-I (PAT-I) HCP002601 (01) “CSIR-JIGYASA : Bridging scientists and school students for R&D Innovation and Outreach”	Essential Qualification: Master's in Biochemistry / Microbiology / Toxicology OR B. Tech in Biotechnology. Desirable Qualification: Prior experience in Cell Culture and Practical Knowledge of High end Scientific equipments.	To explain the working principles and applications of scientific equipment used in R&D, along with practical demonstrations of relevant experiments and techniques.
7.	Project Assistant-I HCP002601 (02) “CSIR-JIGYASA : Bridging scientists and school students for R&D Innovation and Outreach”	Essential Qualification: SSC/10th Plus ITI Desirable Qualification: Prior experience in working with computers.	Data entry, social media updates, Digital Content Development, support in outreach activities
8.	Project Associate-II (PAT-II) MLP-002624 (EC-PA2) (02) “Hybrid Initiatives based on Exposome approach to leverage safer Human Health & Environment”.	Essential Qualification: Master's/ Integrated Master's in Natural or Agricultural or Pharmaceutical Sciences / MVSc/ Animal Sciences. And 02 years experience in Research and Development in Industrial and Academic Institutions or Sciences activities and services. OR Bachelor's degree in Engineering or Technology or Medicine from a recognized University or equivalent. And 02 years experience in Research and Development in Industrial and Academic Institutions or Sciences activities and services. OR Master's/ Integrated Master's in Engineering or Technology from a recognized University. Desirable Qualification: Experience in sample preparation, Extraction in different environments, & Food matrices and chromatography.	
9.	Project Associate-II (PAT-II) SSP-540 (01) “Annual Inspection of GPLs-2026 operating in river Ganga & Yamuna main stem states”	Essential Qualification: Master's degree in Microbiology / Biotechnology / Chemistry / Life Science. And 02 years of research experience Desirable Qualification: Experience in water/waste water analysis.	Collection and analysis of water & wastewater samples, Report preparation, Statistical analysis, data analysis and science and technical reports/communications drafting.

10.	Project Associate-II (PAT-II) SSP-532 (01) “Third Party Monitoring of Environmental Parameters at NTPC Rihand for 02 years.”	Essential Qualification: B. Tech / M. Tech / Master’s degree in Civil / Environmental Engineering / Science from a recognized university. And 02 years of experience in industry / science & technology organization / Academic Institution. Desirable Qualification: The candidate should have 02 years of experience in stack emissions, environmental monitoring and assessment.	Air & Water sampling from industrial sites, monitoring of stack emissions. Laboratory analysis of collected samples for pollution parameters
11.	Project Associate-II (PAT-II) HCP002601 (01) “CSIR-JIGYASA : Bridging scientists and school students for R&D Innovation and Outreach”	Essential Qualification: Master's in Computer Science / Computer Application / Information Technology And Two years of experience in Research and Development in Industrial/Academic Institutions or Science and Technology Organization. OR B. Tech in Computer Science / Computer Application / Information Technology And Two years of experience in Research and Development in Industrial / Academic Institutions or Science and Technology Organization. Desirable Qualification: Prior experience in handling graphic design and content writing.	Student engagement, experiments, logistics and digital support and content development.
12.	Project Support -III GAP-447 (01) “Understanding Bisphenol-A Mediated Effect on Mitochondrial Protein Import Machinery and Neural Fate Decisions in the Rat Brain : Implication on Cognitive Functions”	Essential Qualification: M. Sc / M. Tech degree in Biotechnology / Toxicology / Biochemistry / Biological Sciences / Life Sciences / Microbiology / Neurosciences from a recognized University. Desirable Qualification: Desirable experience of rodent handling, mammalian cell culture, western blotting, Real-Time PCR, Microscopy etc.	To carry out the experimental neural stem cell culture and animal studies as proposed in the project.
13.	Project Support -III GAP-477 (01) “Targeting the HDAC1-CIP2A-PP2AC signaling axis to overcome chemoresistance against standard therapy in non-small cell lung cancer”	Essential Qualification: 1. Three-year graduate degree in Life Sciences (Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Zoology), or any allied subject, with three (03) years post-qualification experience in the relevant subject, OR 2. PG in Life Sciences (Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Zoology), or any allied subject. Desirable Qualification: Candidates with prior experience in handling mammalian cell culture and knowledge of cancer biology/cell-signaling concepts will be preferred.	Development of chemoresistant cell lines, cell-based assays, flow cytometry assays, animal model development, and establishment of patient-derived organoids or any other project-related task.

14.	Senior Project Associate (Senior-PAT) MLP-002624 (IT-SA) (01) “Hybrid Initiatives based on Exposome approach to leverage safer Human Health & Environment”	Essential Qualification: Bachelor of Engineering or technology in field of computer science / Information Technology from a recognized University or equivalent And 03 years of research experience OR M.Tech in field of computer science/Information Technology. Desirable Qualification: • Network infrastructure & firewall management experience. • Strong networking & security fundamentals (TCP / IP, DNS, VPNs, VLANs). • Hands-on with firewalls (Fortinet, Cisco, Sophos). • Knowledge of IDS/IPS, SIEM, endpoint & network security tools. • Familiar with ISO 27001 and IT security policies. • Linux/Unix & Windows server experience. • Backup, disaster recovery & web security (SSL/TLS) knowledge. • Relevant certifications (CEH, CISSP, Security+, CCNA Security). • Understanding of cyber laws & data privacy. • Strong analytical, problem-solving, and independent working skills.	• Manage and monitor internet connectivity and network performance across the institute. • Configure, maintain, and update firewall systems to ensure network security. • Implement and enforce cybersecurity policies and best practices. • Monitor network traffic and detect/respond to suspicious activities or security breaches. • Configure and manage VPNs, proxies, and secure access systems. • Perform regular vulnerability assessments and risk analysis. • Maintain antivirus, endpoint security, and intrusion detection/prevention systems. • Ensure data protection through backups and disaster recovery planning. • Troubleshoot network, firewall, and security-related issues. • Maintain logs, reports, and documentation related to network and security operations. • Ensure compliance with cybersecurity standards and government/organizational guidelines. • Provide technical support and guidance on security-related matters.
15.	Senior Project Associate (Senior-PAT) MLP-002624 (FEST-GLABP) (01) “Hybrid Initiatives based on Exposome approach to leverage safer Human Health & Environment”	Essential Qualification: Master's Degree in Zoology / Biotechnology from a recognized University or Equivalent. And 03 years of experience in Research and Development in Industrial and Academic Institutions or Science and Technology Organizations, and Scientific activities and services, or a PhD in Biotechnology Desirable Qualification: Research experience in 2D and 3D cell culture, molecular biology, immunocytochemistry, western blot, etc.	To conduct the in vitro studies using 2D/ 3D cultures derived from human iPSCs and mammalian cells.

16.	Project Scientist (PS-I) MLP-002624 (IT-SS) (01) “Hybrid Initiatives based on Exposome approach to leverage safer Human Health & Environment”.	Essential Qualification: Doctoral Degree in Science or Masters / integrated Masters in Engineering or Technology from a recognized University or equivalent. And 04 years’ experience in Research and Development in Industrial and Academic Institutions or Science and Technology Organizations and Scientific activities and services. Desirable Qualification: Strong proficiency in PHP and full stack development, Experience in developing standalone application software, Knowledge of front-end technologies (HTML, CSS, JavaScript), Experience with relational data bases (MySQL, PostgreSQL, etc.), Experience with PHP frameworks (Laravel, CodeIgniter, Symfony), Familiarity with modern front-end frameworks (React, Angular, Vue.js), Knowledge of web server configuration (Apache, Nginx, xampp), Experience with version control systems (Git), Understanding of RESTful APIs and third-party integrations, Familiarity with Linux/Unix environments, knowledge of application security practices, Strong problem-solving and analytical skills, Ability to work independently on standalone systems.	Design, develop, and maintain standalone and web-based application software, Write clean, efficient, and well-documented code using PHP and related technologies, Develop responsive and user-friendly front-end interfaces, Build and integrate backend services, APIs, and database systems, Configure, deploy, and manage web servers (Apache/Nginx/xampp), Optimize application performance, scalability, and security, Troubleshoot, debug, and upgrade existing software, Collaborate with team members or work independently to deliver projects on time, Ensure adherence to best coding practices and software development standards.
17.	Project Scientist (PS-I) MLP-002624 (SAM-PS1) (01) “Hybrid Initiatives based on Exposome approach to leverage safer Human Health & Environment”.	Essential Qualification: Doctoral Degree in Biotechnology / Microbiology / Biochemistry / Environmental Microbiology / Environmental Sciences. And 04 years experience in research & development in industrial & Academic institutions or S&T organisations and scientific activities and services. Desirable Qualification: Candidate with strong experience in data handling and management, data validation, report preparation and research documentations.	Research data analysis & compilation using standard tools, documentation and report preparation.
18.	Project Scientist-I (PS-I) HCP002601 (01) “CSIR-JIGYASA : Bridging scientists and school students for R&D Innovation and Outreach”	Essential Qualification: Doctoral Degree in Science or Master's in Public Health And Four years of experience in Research and Development in Industrial / Academic Institutions or Science and Technology Organization. Desirable Qualification: Prior experience in coordination of outreach Program.	Programme coordination, technical supervision, Outreach coordination, training programmes and documentation.
19.	Project Research Scientist-II GAP-477 (01) “Targeting the HDAC1-CIP2A-PP2AC signaling axis to overcome chemoresistance against standard therapy in non-small cell lung cancer”	Essential Qualification: 1. Post Graduate Degree, including the integrated PG degrees Life Sciences (Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Zoology), or any allied subject, with three (03) years post-qualification experience in the relevant subjects, OR 2. PhD in Life Sciences (Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Zoology), or any allied subject. Desirable Qualification: 1. Candidates with prior experience in handling in vitro (cancer cell lines) and in vivo rodent cancer models, Next-generation sequencing and data analysis, proteomics, and patient-derived organoids will be preferred. 2. Candidates with post-doctoral experience in the above area will be given preference.	Development of animal models of cancer, Co-immunoprecipitation/CHIP sequencing, NGS-transcriptomics and data analysis, proteomics, development of CRISPR/Cas9 Knockout cells, and establishment of patient-derived organoids or any other project-related task.

20.	Junior Research Assistant (JRA) GAP-476 (01) Development of phyto-polymer filters from agricultural waste and assessing their application for sampling and treatment of air pollution.	Essential Qualification: B.E. / B. Tech / M. Sc in Environment / Civil from a Recognized University / Institutes. With High Academic Attainment With 1 st Class In Graduate And Post Graduate Examination. Desirable Qualification: Experience In Development, Characterization, And Evaluation Of Polymer-Based Filter Media For Air Pollution Sampling And Control.	Development, characterization, and performance evaluation of phyto-polymer filter media from agricultural waste for air pollution control/treatment, including ambient air sampling and filtration-efficiency assessment.
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I. AGE LIMIT AND RELAXATION

1. Minimum Age:

The minimum age for applying is 18 years as on the last date of submission of Online Application.

2. Upper Age Limit:

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Age Limit (Year's)
01	Diamond Jubilee Research Intern	25 Years
02	Project Junior Research Fellow	28 Years
03	Project Assistant-I	35 Years
04	Project Assistant-II	
05	Project Associate-I	
06	Project Associate-II	
07	Senior Project Associate	
08	Project Technical Support-III*	40 Years
09	Project Scientist-I	
10	Project Scientist-II	
11	Principal Project Associate	
12	Project Research Scientist-II*	
13	Project Scientist-III	45 Years
14	Junior Research Assistant (JRA)**	28 Years

* As per ICMR norms.

** The age of the candidate applying for the post of Junior Research Assistant (JRA) should not be more than 28 years as on 1st April of the year in which the application is made.

3. Age Relaxation:

- Candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), PwBD and Women candidates will receive a relaxation of 05 years in the upper age limit.
- Candidates belonging to OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) will receive a relaxation of 03 years in the upper age limit.

II. SELECTION PROCESS

1. List of Eligible and Ineligible Candidates:

The final list of Screen-In (Eligible) and Screen-Out (Ineligible) candidates shall be published on 15.10.2026 (tentatively).

2. For All Posts:

The selection of candidates for all posts shall be made solely on the basis of performance in the Interview.

***In the event of receipt of a large number of applications, the Interview process may be conducted on the scheduled date and may continue on the following day, if required.

GENERAL CONDITIONS / INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CANDIDATES:

- The applicant must be a citizen of India.
- For Junior Research Assistant (JRA):** Only Indian citizens who are residents of Uttar Pradesh are eligible for Research Assttships/Associateships under research projects funded by CST, UP.
- The posts advertised are purely temporary in nature and shall remain valid only for the duration of the respective projects.
- Engagement under these projects shall not confer any right, either explicit or implicit, upon the candidate for regular appointment or absorption in CSIR or CSIR-IITR.

5. The number of vacancies is provisional and may vary depending upon the requirements of the project(s). The publication of this advertisement does not imply that all advertised posts shall necessarily be filled. CSIR-IITR, Lucknow reserves the right to cancel, modify, or withdraw any or all positions at any stage of the recruitment process without assigning any reason.
6. **The crucial date for determining age, educational qualifications, and experience shall be the closing date of submission of the online application.**
7. **The prescribed educational qualifications must have been obtained from a University, Institute, or Board recognized by the Government of India or from an institution approved by the relevant statutory/regulatory authority. The final result of the qualifying examination must have been declared on or before the last date of submission of the online application.**
8. **Wherever experience is prescribed for a post, only the experience acquired after obtaining the minimum prescribed educational qualification shall be considered valid.**
9. **Wherever experience in a specific subject or area of work is prescribed, the period of experience shall be calculated from the date of acquiring the minimum educational qualification prescribed for the concerned post.**
10. All certificates and testimonials submitted by the candidates shall be subject to verification. Candidates must produce original documents whenever required by the Institute. Any false, incorrect, or incomplete information furnished in the application shall result in cancellation of candidature without any prior notice. The candidature of the applicant shall remain provisional at every stage of the selection process and shall be subject to fulfilment of the eligibility criteria mentioned in the advertisement and applicable CSIR rules.
11. **If the date of birth is not mentioned in the uploaded Class 10th certificate, the candidate must upload a valid Birth Certificate as proof of date of birth.**
12. The date of birth entered in the online application must exactly match the date of birth recorded in the Matriculation/Secondary School Certificate or Birth Certificate. No request for any subsequent change in the date of birth shall be entertained.
13. Candidates who have been awarded marks in CGPA, SGPA, OGPA, or any other grading system must convert the grades into percentage as per the conversion formula prescribed by their respective University/Institute and mention the same in the application form. The crucial date for determining age, educational qualifications, and experience shall be the last date of submission of the online application.
14. Candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST), Other Backward Classes (OBC–Non-Creamy Layer), Economically Weaker Section (EWS), Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD), Ex-Servicemen, or any other reserved category shall be required to submit a valid certificate issued by the competent authority in the prescribed format.
15. Candidates must correctly mention all their educational qualifications, experience, and other relevant details in the application form and upload valid supporting documents.
16. **Before applying, candidates must ensure that they fulfill all the prescribed educational qualifications, experience, and other eligibility conditions as specified in the advertisement as on the closing date of the online application. No interim correspondence regarding eligibility shall be entertained. The prescribed qualification and experience are only minimum eligibility criteria, and selection shall be made through an Interview process.**
17. **Before final submission of the application, candidates must ensure that the application form is complete and all required certificates and documents have been uploaded. Any discrepancy found between the information provided in the application and the original documents produced during verification shall render the candidate ineligible for the post.**
18. Candidates are advised to submit their online applications well before the closing date. No extension of the closing date shall be granted due to server issues, technical difficulties, or any other unforeseen circumstances at the last moment. The decision of the Institute in this regard shall be final and binding.
19. If a candidate claims that their qualification is equivalent to the qualification prescribed in the advertisement, they must submit an order/certificate issued by the competent authority clearly indicating the approval of equivalence along with the reference number and date. Failure to provide such proof may result in rejection of the application. The final decision regarding equivalence shall be taken as per the applicable CSIR guidelines.
20. Only those candidates who have successfully submitted their online applications on or before the prescribed closing date shall be eligible to appear for the Interview.

21. Candidates shall be allowed to appear for the Interview only upon submission of a copy of the application form and the Original Certificates/documents. Failure to produce the required documents shall result in disqualification of the candidate.
22. During document verification, photographs, scanned copies, or digital copies of original documents stored on mobile phones, tablets, laptops, or any other electronic devices shall not be accepted as valid proof.
23. Candidates must have a valid personal e-mail ID and mobile number, which should remain active throughout the completion of the project staff selection process. The call letter, Interview schedule, and other relevant communications may be sent through the registered e-mail ID or mobile number. Candidates who do not have a valid e-mail ID are advised to create one before submitting the online application and keep it active until completion of the recruitment process.
24. Mere fulfillment of the minimum eligibility criteria or appearing in the Interview shall not confer any right upon a candidate for selection.
25. Depending upon the number of applications received, the Institute reserves the right to adopt appropriate criteria for screening / shortlisting candidates for appearing in the Interview.
26. Candidates shall be required to appear at the Interview Venue on the prescribed Date and Time along with the following Original Documents:
- A Self-Attested copy of the submitted Application Form.
 - Proof of date of birth (if the date of birth is not mentioned in the Matriculation Certificate).
 - Matriculation/Secondary School Certificate and Mark Sheet.
 - Certificates and Degrees of all Educational Qualifications mentioned in the application form.
 - Order/letter regarding equivalence of Educational Qualification, if applicable.
 - Valid caste/Category certificate, if applicable.
 - Disability Certificate for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) in the prescribed format, if applicable.
 - Any other relevant document mentioned in the application form or required for document verification.
27. **Important:** Under no circumstances shall candidates arriving after 10:00 AM on the scheduled date of the Interview be permitted to appear for the Interview.
28. No Travelling Allowance (TA) or Daily Allowance (DA) shall be payable for appearing in the Interview.
29. Canvassing in any form or attempting to use political or other influence for securing selection shall be treated as a disqualification.
30. The decision of the Selection Committee shall be final, binding, and conclusive. No correspondence or representation in this regard shall be entertained.
31. The decision of the Director, CSIR-IITR, Lucknow, shall be final and binding on all candidates in respect of eligibility, acceptance/rejection of applications, screening, method of selection, conduct of the engagement process, and all other matters related thereto.
32. Candidates are advised to visit the official website of CSIR-IITR, Lucknow (<https://www.iitr.res.in>) regularly for updates, corrigenda, notices, and any other information relating to the Project Staff Engagement Process.

For any queries related to the Project Staff selection process, candidates may contact: lalit.meena01@csir.res.in

NO OTHER INTERIM ENQUIRY OR CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE ENTERTAINED

CANDIDATES ARE ADVISED TO DOWNLOAD AND KEEP A PRINTED COPY OF APPLICATION FORM FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

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