

Research Associate: Relocation as a Strategy of Kinship Survival: An Ethnographic Study of Mixed-Ethnicity in Manipur

Location: IIIT Delhi

Employment Type: Full-time, 12 months, with the possibility of extension

Salary: ₹47,000 per month

About the Position

We seek a highly motivated Research Associate for an ICSSR Family and Family Systems in India (2025-2026) project titled “Relocation as a Strategy of Kinship Survival: An Ethnographic Study of Mixed-Ethnicity in Manipur” led by Dr Soibam Haripriya. The position will contribute to critical discussions on family formations, with a focus on mixed-ethnicity and conflict. This role provides an exciting opportunity to engage in sociological research at the interstices of family and kinship studies, migration and identity. With the primary objective of contributing to the development of a sociological theory of understanding mixed-ethnicity family formations, the project aims to study the processes of identity formation and its articulations and strategies adopted for retaining the family and relatedness in the face of conflict.

Role Overview

The Research Associate will be responsible for the overall management of the project, including overseeing the Field Assistants of the project.

Responsibilities

1. Literature Review
2. Handling over the schedule/ questionnaire to the Field Assistants. Collecting the transcripts of the interviews and ethnographic reports from the F.A., compiling the same in the form of Quarterly progress reports
3. Oversee the field work of the F.As.
4. Handling the financial reportage, including the collection of bills, organising fieldtrips of the F.A., collecting vouchers of expenditures and other such work related to the project.

Who can apply

1. Postgraduate in Social Sciences discipline (55% minimum) with NET/M.Phil./Ph.D. and two years of research experience as a Research Assistant in any Project.
2. Candidates with research, writing and verbal communication skills.

Number of Positions: 1 (One)

Interested candidates can apply using this form <https://forms.gle/PRSqMCaNBHKe6fMZ8>

Last date of Application: 15 February 2026

Only the shortlisted candidates will be notified via email and followed up with the interview round.

IIT Delhi is committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive research environment. We welcome applications from all qualified candidates.