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

Location: Manipur, Assam and Meghalaya

Employment Type: Full-time, 2 months (starting September 1, 2026), with the possibility of extension

Salary: ₹20,000 per month

About the Position

We seek highly motivated Field Investigators 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 ethnographic fieldwork 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 Field Investigator will be responsible for conducting an ethnographic study of mixed families and conducting interviews

Responsibilities

1. Using purposive sampling and simple snowball sampling to reach out to possible informants for the project.
2. Conducting an ethnographic field study consisting of open-ended interviews based on the provided Interview Schedule. Transcribing the transcripts of the interviews and writing an ethnography of the field.

Who can apply

1. Postgraduate in Social Sciences discipline (55% minimum)
2. Fluency in English and/or any of the Kuki-Chin-Mizo-Paite languages is a must.
3. Experience in conducting ethnographic fieldwork is an advantage

Number of Positions: 1 (One)

Interested candidates can apply using this form https://forms.gle/XojkuPLTNjqiXr6MA

Last date of Application: 10 August 2026

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