

Symbiosis International (Deemed) University, Pune, India

Symbiosis School of Banking and Finance

Research Assistant Position in ICSSR Sponsored Research Project

Applications are invited for the position of **Research Assistant** to work in the ICSSR (Govt. of India) sponsored research project at the Symbiosis School of Banking and Finance Pune, a constituent of Symbiosis International (Deemed) University, Pune, India. The position is purely temporary and co-terminus with project.

Name of the temporary post	Research Assistant
Number of Post	01
Title of the Research Project	Bridging the Digital Divide: Social Stratification and Financial Technology Access in Rural Bihar and Jharkhand
Name of the Funding Agency	Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)
Job Description	The researcher is expected to be involved in both desk research and field visits under the project. Specific requirements are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thorough examination of literature• Data collection/field visits/interactions with stakeholders• Tabulation and analysis of data• Research paper/report writing
Consolidated monthly fellowship	As per ICSSR rules (Rs. 37,000/- p.m.)
Essential qualifications	Post graduate in any social science discipline (55% minimum) with NET /M.Phil. / Ph.D.
Mandatory requirements	-Good communication and academic/research writing skills in English. -Knowledge of MS-Office
Desirable	-Prior experience in field surveys, community-based research, or data collection (quantitative or qualitative). - Previous experience in writing journal papers will be preferred. - Familiarity with rural development projects, sustainability initiatives, or social impact studies preferred.

How to Apply: Interested candidates must submit the following documents via email to director@ssbf.edu.in, latest by 7th April 2026.

Subject line of the email: *Application for the post of Research Assistant for ICSSR Project.*

The following documents must be submitted as a single PDF file:

- 1) Updated CV (mentioning educational background, technical skills, and research experience, if any)
- 2) Cover Letter
- 3) Self-attested copies of marksheets and degree certificates

Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an online interview. Date and time will be communicated via email.

Project Director:

Dr. Neha Parashar

Professor and Director

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Candidates may please note the following:

1. Candidates will be shortlisted for the interview based on merit.
2. Shortlisted candidates will be informed only by e-mail/Mobile. No separate letter will be issued for the interview.
3. Calling for interviewing is not a guarantee for selection.
4. The committee reserves the right for not selecting any candidate in case candidates are not found suitable for the applied post.
5. The appointment will be purely contractual for a minimum period of 12 months and may be extended based on project requirements and individual performance.

For any other information/clarifications, the applicants may contact the Project Director:

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