



## **Faculty Positions in the School of Social Sciences**

### **National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore**

National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS) was conceived and founded in 1988 by the late Mr. J. R. D. Tata, who sought to create an institution to conduct advanced multidisciplinary research. Housed in a picturesque green campus in Bangalore the Institute serves as a forum to bring together individuals from diverse intellectual backgrounds, in the natural and life sciences, humanities, social sciences, and conflict and security studies. The philosophy underlying NIAS is given shape by its multidisciplinary research teams. The Institute is unique in its integrated approach to the study of intersections between science and technology, philosophy, social issues, and leadership. The objective is to nurture a broad base of scholars, managers, and leaders who would respond to the complex challenges that face contemporary India and global society, with insight, sensitivity, confidence, and dedication. For more details: [www.nias.res.in](http://www.nias.res.in)

NIAS invites applications from eligible candidates for Faculty level positions to work in the following programmes:-

#### **1. Urban and Mobility Studies:**

The Urban and Mobility Studies programme explores the diverse social transformations that have been set in motion in contemporary India by rapid economic growth, growing urbanization, globalization, and changing patterns of work, livelihoods, and migration. Building on research carried out earlier by the Sociology and Social Anthropology Unit on India's IT professionals, and by the Urban Research and Policy Programme, the programme's new research agenda highlights the interconnections between urban development, occupational change, skilling, and social and spatial mobilities.

#### **2. Inequality and Human Development:**

The Inequality and Human Development Programme was set up at NIAS in 2015 to develop an empirically and conceptually consistent picture of inequality that would inform both policy and public discourse. This goal demanded a movement beyond the measurement of inequality to explore its causes and consequences. The broader approach led to a concept of inequality that could be used across multiple domains. This concept covers the entire process from the causes of specific differences and the ethical attitudes to them, to the pressures they generate and the interventions needed to address the resultant crises. The programme has thus far used this inclusive approach to inequality to address two important issues in early twenty-first century India: the demand for non-farm jobs, and farmers' suicides.

The Faculty is expected to lead and have demonstrated expertise in theoretical and field-based studies in the area of Economics/Sociology/Anthropology and should have made significant contributions to the body of knowledge in the discipline. The candidate must have a proven record of undertaking broad interdisciplinary studies that address questions of contemporary relevance to society at the national and international levels by engaging in critical research and raising grants and building a team of scholars. The ideal candidate would help the programmes strengthen their method which focuses equally on empirical observation, theoretical conceptualization, and

systematic evaluation that suggests specific interventions.

Qualification: Ph.D. in Social Sciences, Anthropology, Economics, and related fields and a deep interest in the respective fields, along with research experience that reveals academic rigour.

Interested applicants should submit their curriculum vitae electronically along with the following documents (as a single PDF document) :-

1. Cover letter
2. Statement of Purpose
3. Copy of degree certificate
4. PDF copies of at least two 2 publications
5. Name, address and email ID of four referees

The deadline for receiving applications is **31 January 2020**. Short-listed candidates will be invited to NIAS for a presentation followed by an interview.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience and comparable to other premier institutions in the country.

**The applications should be addressed to:**

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