



भारतीय ताराभौतिकी संस्थान INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ASTROPHYSICS

(विज्ञान व प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग, भारत सरकार के अधीन स्वायत्त संस्थान) (An Autonomous Body under Department of Science & Technology, Government of India) कोरमंगला Koramangala, बेंगलूरु BENGALURU -560034

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Indian Institute of Astrophysics (IIA) is an autonomous academic national institution under Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India dedicated to research in Astronomy, Astrophysics and Allied Sciences & Technology. The Institute has its main campus in Koramangala, Bangalore and CREST Campus at Hosakote, Bangalore. It operates field stations at Kavalur & Kodaikanal in Tamilnadu, Gauribidanur in Karnataka, and Leh/Hanle in Union Territory of Ladakh.

Indian Institute of Astrophysics has constituted the Science Communication, Public Outreach, and Education Section (SCOPE), with the aim of organizing a diverse set of public engagement projects over the coming years. IIA is therefore advertising a full-time position for a person to support the SCOPE Section to coordinate and implement these projects.

Online applications are invited from eligible young, bright and highly motivated individuals for the following position to work in the Institute:

Name of the position	:	PROJECT ASSOCIATE-I
No. of position	:	One
Age limit	:	35 years
Remuneration	:	Rs. 40,000/- per month (Consolidated)
Place of Posting	:	Bengaluru
Qualification	:	M.Sc. degree in Physics/Maths or B.E/B.Tech, with minimum of 60% marks or equivalent grade (aggregate) from a UGC recognized University/Institution.

Required Expertise :

- 1. Demonstrable experience in astronomy or science outreach, in a formal or an informal capacity, for at least 2 years. This period can be reduced depending on the nature of the candidate's experience.
- 2. Demonstrable knowledge of basic astronomy (eg. attended an astronomy course in their degree, or lectures at a planetarium, or in an amateur astronomy group etc), including usage of small telescopes, familiarity of night sky.

- 3. Good computer skills (google services, basic graphics softwares, familiarity with any CMS for websites etc), and aptitude for basic project management.
- 4. Good communication skills, with some experience in engaging with diverse groups of students.
- 5. Can speak and write fluently in English.

Desirable :

- 1. Experience as an amateur astronomer for at least 2 years.
- 2. Has been taught a course on astronomy during their degree.
- 3. Familiarity with basic astronomy outreach software (eg Stellarium, Aladin etc).
- 4. Familiarity with any video editing and animation software.

Job Description :

The candidate will support the SCOPE Section in designing and implementing its activities in a time bound manner. The person will work with the members of the Section, and report to the Head of the Section. The job profile consists of:

- 1. Project coordination (tracking various tasks, communicating with stakeholders teams, documentation, planning ahead for future programs etc).
- 2. Conducting night sky programs and other public outreach events, including in schools and colleges; help with public tours to the campus and other field stations.
- 3. Coordinating the creation of resource material (posters, webpages, tutorials etc, as well as digital resources) and translations.
- 4. Coordination of other outreach activities of the Section, eg IIA's presence in exhibitions, organising astronomy contests, events at field stations, etc.

The posting will be at the IIA Headquarters in Bengaluru. Travel to our field stations and nearby towns might be needed as required.

Terms & Conditions :

- 1) The appointment is purely temporary on contract basis and does not entitle any privileges or benefits of regular employment. No claim whatsoever for regular employment in the Institute shall be entertained.
- 2) The tenure of appointment is initially for a period of one year and extendable annually for maximum five years (including initial one year) subject to satisfactory performance of the candidate assessed annually and requirement of the Institute.
- 3) The date of determining the upper age limit, qualifications and experience shall be the closing date prescribed for receipt of completed applications.
- 4) The remuneration indicated is consolidated and is inclusive of all allowances.
- 5) There will be annual increase of 3% in the remuneration based on satisfactory performance.
- 6) It is open to the Institute to conduct written test to shortlist the candidates for interview in case the attendance of candidates is more.

- 7) Age relaxation is permissible to SC, ST & OBC candidates and also to physically handicapped candidates as notified by Govt. of India from time to time.
- 8) The candidate selected will be posted to work in IIA, Bengaluru and is liable to be posted anywhere in India as per the requirement of the Institute/Project.
- 9) No correspondence will be entertained with the candidates not selected for interview / appointment. Canvassing in any form will be a disqualification.
- 10) Candidates of Indian Nationality only can apply for this position.
- 11) The prescribed educational qualifications are minimum required and mere possession of the same does not entitle candidates to be called for interview. Where the number of applications received in response to the advertisement is large and it will not be convenient or possible for the Institute to interview all those candidates, the Institute reserves the right to limit number of candidates to be called for interview on the basis of qualifications and experience higher than the minimum prescribed in the advertisement and also conducting written test.
- 12) The Institute reserves the right to cancel the entire recruitment process at any time without assigning any reasons whatsoever.
- 13) Candidates meeting the above requirements and willing to be considered for the above said position may <u>submit application through online only</u>. Candidates are required to upload their scanned Curriculum Vitae (CV), Date of Birth Proof, Educational Qualification, Experience and Community Certificates in the online application.
- 14) Misrepresentation or falsification of facts detected at any stage of the selection process or instances of misconduct/misbehavior at any stage during selection process shall result in cancellation of candidature without any notice and no correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.
- 15) The last date for receipt of online application is 14.09.2022 at 17:30 hours.
- 16) For registration, please visit: https://www.iiap.res.in/iia_jobs/

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