

Project Assistant: IUCAA Astronomy Outreach

Remuneration: Consolidated starting salary of Rs. 25,000/- per month

No. of Post: One (On contract)

Period of Contract: 06 months extendable to 03 years

Age Limit: Not more than 35 years

Qualification & Experience:

Essential:

First class B.Sc. (Astronomy/ Physics/ Mathematics) or B.E. from a recognised University (M.Sc. and/or B.Ed. will carry further weight) with a good knowledge of Astronomy.

Desirable:

- i. Ability to communicate basic Astronomy cheerfully in English and Hindi (written and verbal) and preferably Marathi too.
- ii. Ability to handle telescopes of different kinds.
- iii. Computer skills including proficiency in using social media and design software.
- iv. A positive scientific attitude with good inter-personal and social skills.

Experience:

- i. 2 to 3 years' experience in Astronomy popularisation / Amateur astronomy / Telescope making,
- ii. Some experience in large-scale activities involving teachers and school students.

Nature of Work (non-exhaustive):

- Developing, scheduling, publicizing and conducting astronomy outreach activities including workshops for schools & colleges, sky-watching sessions, mobile planetarium shows etc.
- Liaising with astronomers and preparation of astronomy outreach resources.
- Helping conduct regular IUCAA outreach activities and their detailed documentation.
- Oversee management of social media and IUCAA SciPOP website.

This is a full time position and the candidate is expected to be present for all events some of which will take place at night and on weekends. The job will require travel ranging over a few days to a week.

Last date of application: February 25, 2020