

JOB DESCRIPTION

ROLE: ECONOMIST (as a Senior Research Advisor or Research Advisor or Senior Research Associate)

Centre for Budget and Policy Studies (CBPS) is an independent, non-partisan, research institute based in Bangalore, India. Our vision is creation and sharing of knowledge for an empowered, equitable, just and democratic society. We work towards our vision through: (a) Research and evaluation in the areas of policy, budget, governance, and public service delivery; (b) Evidence based policy advocacy and (c) Dissemination of research findings through a variety of approaches.

We currently have an **opening for an Economist** and are looking for suitable applicants for the position. The selected person would be employed at the position of **Senior Research Advisor/Research Advisor/Senior Research Associate** depending on the years of previous work experience and will be primarily entrusted with quantitative and / or qualitative research in the organisation.

Roles and responsibilities

- Lead projects/ be part of projects that the organisation undertakes and contribute to economic analysis
- Act as a subject matter expert in Economics within the organisation and be able to represent the organisation externally. Stay updated on latest research, best practices, and policies related to economics and economic analysis and integrate them into research.
- Contribute to the interdisciplinary conception and execution of research and capacity building projects
- Actively collaborate and network with like-minded organisations for research and advocacy purposes
- Actively develop proposals for fundraising and effectively communicate with the funders and other partner organisations.
- Identify the capacity building needs of the researchers and develop training modules or conduct short-term training exercises to enhance their understanding and skills in delivering research outcomes, particularly in the context of economics and research methodologies.
- Work towards institutional building by contributing to organisational policy development and administration.



Required Qualifications

- Preferred educational qualifications are PhD. or Master's in Economics/Master's in Development Economics/Financial Economics/Economics and Public Policy/ Agricultural Economics/Applied Economics
- Knowledge /understanding of economics and economic analysis
- Robust knowledge and understanding of research methods
- Skill in the use of data analysis software (STATA, R etc), preferably
- Familiar with large scale data sets such as NSSO, NFHS, MoSPI etc.
- Ability to work in multi-disciplinary teams and projects.
- Must be good at handling large data sets in MS Excel.
- Proficiency in English and two regional languages (preferably).
- Excellent management and organisational skills

Those with more than five years of work experience after their Master's degree (or a relevant research degree) in economics/ or a relevant research degree of economics will be considered for the post of Senior Research Associate. **Applications must read as Application: Senior Research Associate – Economics**.

Those with either a PhD in Economics and related areas or with at least 7-10 years of experience in the field of economic research will be considered for the post of Research Advisor / Senior Research Advisor. **Applications must read as Application: Research Advisor / Senior Research Advisor – Economics.**

Our remuneration packages are competitive with academic positions in various Indian institutions and universities. We provide Provident Fund, Gratuity, Medical cover, and a few allowances in addition to salary. We encourage and cherish diversity.

Please share your resume (in MS Word Format) with <u>mrinalika@cbps.in</u> with the following:

- A cover letter for the position you are applying for and stating the reasons for your interest in the position.
- Two samples for research writings or publications
- Two references including your current/most recent employer/ supervisor/teacher

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. **Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.** For any related queries, contact:<u>mrinalika@cbps.in</u> or call at 080-26560735 between 10 am and 6 pm Monday to Friday.