

ODISHA BIODIVERSITY BOARD

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RECRUITMENT OF JUNIOR PROJECT FELLOWS & SENIOR PROJECT FELLOWS

Odisha Biodiversity Board, Bhubaneswar invites applications from interested and eligible candidates for filling up of temporary positions of Junior Project Fellows (JPF) and Senior Project Fellows (SPF) under different projects to be implemented in the Odisha Biodiversity Board. Details on research projects, eligibility criteria etc. can be obtained from the OBB website (www.odishabiodiversityboard.in)/ (www.obbcareers.in) or can be collected from the office during working hours. The candidates willing to apply are required to fill up prescribed online forms (separate applications for maximum three projects mentioning project SI. No.) along with uploading of documents in support of their educational qualification and experience. The period of online submission of application is 19.11.2023 to 03.12.2023. Selection of JPFs and SPFs will be based on screening of applications, followed by an interview process of the shortlisted candidates. Incomplete application will summarily be rejected.

Sd/-Member Secretary Odisha Biodiversity Board

Date: 18.11.2023

General terms and conditions:

- 1. The candidate has to visit different study sites frequently to collect, identify and preserve plant/animal/microbial samples including preparation of herbarium specimens/ spirit collections. He/she has to make data compilation, analysis and report writing. In addition to the above, the JPFs & SPFs can be assigned any other relevant work by the Chairman/ Member Secretary of Odisha Biodiversity Board.
- 2. The candidates must have a Master of Science (MSc) degree in the relevant subject mentioned against each project in the table 1 from a recognized university are eligible for the position of the Junior Project Fellow (JPF). A candidate with above degree (MSc) with two years of relevant experience is eligible for the position of the Senior Project Fellow (SPF).
- 3. The project durations are for 12 months initially (except for the project no. 15) from the date of joining of the Project Fellows, however, it may terminate any time based on the availability of funds.
- 4. Monthly emoluments for Junior Project Fellows will be Rs.20,000/- (consolidated) and for Senior Project Fellows will be Rs.23,000/- (consolidated).
- 5. The positions are purely temporary and co-terminus with the project. The engagement/ appointment of candidates shall stand terminated automatically after expiry of the project or completion of period indicated in the office order, whichever is earlier. The JPF & SPF will have no claim for further temporary or permanent employment in Odisha Biodiversity Board or in the State Government.
- 6. The Member Secretary, as his discretion, may increase or decrease the number of positions and also can cancel recruitment process for all the above positions without assigning any reason thereof. The decision of the Member Secretary is final and binding on all research fellows.
- 7. Candidates can apply for a maximum of three projects and may be considered for projects which he/she has not applied in the application form. The decision of the Member Secretary will be final in this matter with the willingness of candidates. In case of submission of more than one project, the application submitted first will be considered as the first preference of the candidate.

- 8. The applications will be screened by a Screening Committee. Initially, screening will be carried out based on the educational qualification of the candidates, however, if required other criteria will be used. Only the shortlisted candidates will be called for interview.
- 9. No TA/DA is admissible for attending the interview.
- 10. List of shortlisted candidates will be published in the OBB website (www.odishabiodiversityboard.in)/(www.obbcareers.in).
- 11. Canvassing in any form will render the candidate disqualified for the position.
- 12. The date and time of the interview will be published in the website (www.odishabiodiversityboard.in)/ (www.obbcareers.in) and also will be communicated through E-mail. No separate call letter will be issued. The candidates should appear for interview along with their original certificates and other relevant documents in support of their application.

Sd/Member Secretary
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DETAILS OF PROJECTS

SI. No.	Projects Name	*Positions	**No. of posts	Essential Qualification	Desirable Qualification and experience
1.	Status survey and conservation threats to fishing cat <i>Prionailurus</i> <i>viverrinus</i> Bennett, in Bhitarkanika National Park, India.	• Senior Project Fellow (SPF)/Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• SPF/JPF-1	M. Sc. In Zoology/Wildlife/Biotechnology/Bio diversity/ for JPF. For SPF above degree with two years of research experience.	Research Experience in the relevant field
2.	Study on the diversity and ecology of tortoises and fresh water turtles of Odisha for conservation measures.	 Junior Project Fellow and Senior Project Fellow (SPF)/ Junior Project Fellow (JPF) 	• JPF-1 • SPF/JPF-1	M. Sc. in Zoology/Wildlife/Biotechnology/Bio diversity/ for JPF For SPF above degree with two years of research experience.	Research Experience in the relevant field.
3.	Enumeration of hill stream fishes of Similipal Biosphere Reserve, Odisha.	 Junior Project Fellow (JPF) Senior Project Fellow (SPF) / Junior Project Fellow (JPF) 	• SPF/JPF-1	M. Sc. in Zoology/Wildlife/Biotechnology/Bio diversity/ for JPF For SPF above degree with two years of research experience	Research Experience in the relevant field.
4.	Deomali Hill Range, Koraput: Unveiling the biodiversity treasures of the Eastern Ghats in Odisha	 Senior Project Fellow (SPF) / Junior Project Fellow (JPF) 	• SPF/JPF-1	M. Sc. in Botany/Zoology/Biodiversity/ Wildlife/ Biotechnology/for JPF For SPF above degree with two years of research experience	Research Experience in the relevant field
5.	Optimisation of enzyme production by native microorganisms for enhanced composting of forest biomass	 Senior Project Fellow (SPF)/ Junior Project Fellow (JPF) 	• SPF- 1	M. Sc. in Microbiology /Biotechnology/Botany/Agriculture for JPF For SPF above degree with two years of research experience	Research Experience in the relevant field

6.	Mapping of microbial bioresources and their biopotential in Biodiversity Heritage Sites (BHS) of Odisha: Mahendragiri, Gandhamardan & Mandasaru	Senior Project Fellow (SPF)/ Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• SPF/JPF- 2	M. Sc. in Microbiology /Biotechnology/Botany/Agriculture for JPF For SPF above degree with two years of research experience	Research Experience in the relevant field
7.	Developing an action plan for protection and conservation of threatened plants of Odisha	 Junior Project Fellow (JPF) Senior Project Fellow (SPF)/ Junior Project Fellow (JPF) 	• JPF-1 • SPF/JPF-1	M. Sc. In Botany/Biotechnology/Forestry/ Biodiversity/Wild life for JPF For SPF above degree with two years of research experience.	Research Experience in the relevant field
8.	Documentation of commercially important biological Resources for exploring Access and Benefit Sharing mechanisms in Odisha	 Senior Project Fellow (SPF)/ Junior Project Fellow (JPF) 	• SPF/JPF- 2	M. Sc. in Zoology/Botany/Forestry/Biodiversit y/Wildlife/Biotechnology/for JPF For SPF above degree with two years of research experience	Research Experience in the relevant field.
9.	Inventory of biodiversity of Niyamgiri Hill ranges in Rayagada and Kalahandi Districts of Odisha	Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• JPF- 1	M. Sc. in Zoology/Botany/Forestry/ Biodiversity/Wildlife/Biotechnology	Research Experience in the relevant field
10.	Enrichment of Peoples Biodiversity Registers (PBRs)	Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• JPF- 5	M. Sc. in Zoology/Forestry/Botany/Biodiversit y/Wildlife/ Microbiology /Biotechnology/Agriculture	Experience in the relevant field. Experience in working with communities, NGO & Govt. Departments
11.	Management of Biodiversity Heritage Sites	Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• JPF- 1	M. Sc. in Zoology/Forestry/Botany/Biodiversit y/Wildlife/ Microbiology /Biotechnology/Agriculture	Experience in the relevant field. Experience in working with communities, NGO & Govt. Departments
12.	Preparation of Books on Biodiversity for the School	Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• JPF- 1	M. Sc. in Microbiology /Biotechnology/Zoology	Experience in the relevant field, Strong writing and

	Students			/Forestry/Botany/	communication skills in
				Biodiversity/Wildlife	Odia & English, Proven
					record of scientific
					publications.
13.	Preparation of Books and publications on Floral, Faunal and Microbial Diversity of Odisha.	Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• JPF- 3	M. Sc. in Microbiology /Biotechnology/Zoology /Forestry/Botany/ Biodiversity/Wildlife/Agriculture	Experience in the relevant field, Strong writing and communication skills in Odia & English, Proven record of scientific publications
14.	Operations of Biodiversity Management Committees (BMCs)	Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• JPF-1	M. Sc. in Microbiology /Biotechnology/Zoology /Forestry/Botany/ Biodiversity/Wildlife/Agriculture	Experience in the relevant field. Experience in working with communities, NGO & Govt. Departments
15.	Indigenous Traditional Knowledge (ITK) and Biodiversity (BD) conservation in Similipal Biosphere Reserve	Junior Project Fellow (JPF)	• JPF-1	M. Sc. in Microbiology /Biotechnology/Zoology /Forestry/Botany/ Biodiversity/Wildlife/Agriculture	Experience in the relevant field. Experience in working with communities, NGO & Govt. Departments

^{*}Whenever SPFs are not available, the positions will be filled by JPFs.

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^{**}Duration of all projects is one year initially except project no 15 which is for six months.