

**WALK-IN INTERVIEW advertisement for Project Assistant opening as part of a project to be undertaken in the Centre for Climate and Environmental Studies at IISER Kolkata.**

Project Title: Mapping Biodiversity in the Upper Bhima Basin

Funding Agency: The Nature Conservancy India

Temporary position: Project Assistant

Number of vacancy- 1

Salary- Rs 28000 per month (consolidated)

Age Limit- Must not be over 35 years as on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2025 which can be relaxed for certain reserved categories as per rules of the Government of India. Relaxation in age, educational qualifications or experience may be considered in case of exceptionally meritorious candidates.

Background of the project: Freshwater ecosystems in India play pivotal role in maintaining biodiversity, offering ecosystem services and overall well-being of human health. However, many freshwater ecosystems are reeling from multiple stress, many of which are anthropogenic in origin including emerging contaminants such as microplastics. To aid in the vision of Prioritisation of freshwater ecosystems of The Nature Conservancy India, a project on mapping biodiversity of the Upper Bhima Basin is to be undertaken using multifaceted approaches. The position will be initially for four months and can extended by one year. For further details about the project please write to Prof. Punyasloke Bhadury at [pbhadury@iiserkol.ac.in](mailto:pbhadury@iiserkol.ac.in)

Qualifications: Master's degree in Natural Science including in the areas of Environmental Science/Ecology/Zoology/Wildlife Biology and Conservation. Proven experience conducting field sampling in freshwater ecosystems as well as field experience in mapping of wildlife biodiversity would be welcome. Any experience working with microplastic analysis is welcome.

Venue of interview: Walk-in interview will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2025 in Lab M254, Second Floor, Research Complex, IISER Kolkata; Reporting Time: 10 AM

Address to reach the venue can be accessed at: <https://www.iiserkol.ac.in/web/en/contact-us/how-reach/#gsc.tab=0>