

Walk-in interview for the position of Project Scientist-I in a project to be undertaken in the Centre for Climate and Environmental Studies at IISER Kolkata.

Project Title: (Micro)Biology of the Abyss: Equi-pressure sampling, and bio-diversity quantification

Funding Agency: Ministry of Earth Sciences, Govt of India

Temporary position: Project Scientist-I

Number of vacancy- 1

Salary- Rs 56,000 + 27% HRA

Age Limit- Must not be over 35 years as on 15th September, 2026 which can be relaxed for certain reserved categories as per rules of Government of India. Relaxation in age, educational qualifications or experience may be considered in case of exceptionally meritorious candidates.

Background of the project: The project intends to understand the responses of deep-sea microbial communities with increasing depth and salinity, among other stressors using uncultured ('omics') and cultured approaches. The position will be initially for a period of six months and may be extended subjected to satisfactory performance. For further details about the project please write to Prof. Punyasloke Bhadury at pbhadury@iiserkol.ac.in

Qualifications: Doctoral Degree (Ph.D.) in Science or Master's Degree in Engineering or Technology from a recognized University/Institute or equivalent or Ph.D. thesis submitted. Proven experience conducting field sampling activities and previous experience of using high-throughput sequencing or culture microbiology work would be desirable.

Walk-in interview: 15th September, 2026; 9:30 AM

Venue of interview: Lab M254, Second Floor, Research Complex, IISER Kolkata, Mohanpur, Nadia.