

Centre for Community Impact Engagement for North East (NE-CCIE)

Centre for Community Impact & Engagement for North East (NE-CCIE), IIM Shillong, is looking for a Research Assistant [RA] to assist with research and analysis at the center.

The Centre for Community Impact and Engagement for NE (NE-CCIE) is a proactive and forward-thinking hub of the Indian Institute of Management Shillong (IIMS). The centre is dedicated to tackling the pressing economic and social issues faced by North-East India, especially at the grassroots level. The centre pivots towards an evidence-based approach to enabling positive change for social impact. We envision a thriving, sustainable business ecosystem in North-East India, fostered by skills and active collaboration. Evidence-based insights, a solution-driven approach, and empowering indigenous communities for an inclusive future are crucial to spearheading impactful transformations. With a strong commitment to insights and engagement, the center brings together diverse participants, including academia, industry, the public sector, civil society, and an Indigenous knowledge system's perspective to drive meaningful changes for NE India.

Number of Openings: 2 (two) Location: Shillong, Meghalaya

Job Type: Full-Time (on One Year Contract and renewable up to a year) Application Deadline: 30th August 2024

Salary- 35,000 INR pm

Job Description

Role: Research Assistant [RA] – North East Centre for Community Impact Engagement

What we offer:

IIM Shillong is a research-focused institute. The benefits of being an RA at IIM Shillong include:

- Gain valuable experience working on cutting-edge research projects
- Opportunity to attend regular seminars and workshops, by both resident and visiting faculty members, at which cutting-edge research is presented and discussed
- Encouragement to initiate your own research
- Recommendation letters, as well as guidance on the application process for top-level PhD programs.
- Salaries that are competitive with similar positions in India

Best Match:

You should consider yourself a good fit for this position if you are seriously considering pursuing a PhD in the future and want to gain some experience to see if a research career is meant for you. You will work with the centre, which is led by a team of faculty members from IIM Shillong. The center also provides an opportunity for extensive engagement with various stakeholders in the community. The skills that you develop will help you apply to top-ranked doctoral programs in Social Sciences, Management and Public Policy area. You should be self-motivated and eager to take ownership and lead research projects and community engagement initiatives.

Responsibilities:

This is a research position in an academic setting. You will assist with:

- Field Visits and engagement with various stakeholders.
- Data collection, database creation, and data analysis (primarily quantitative, but potentially qualitative – faculty will help you to train on necessary methods)
- Writing research proposals and conducting research
- Other research-related work
- Assistance in organizing events at the center
- Interacting/interviewing various stakeholders for inputs and outreach around the vision and mission of the center.

Skills and Qualifications:

A Masters's degree in a discipline such as Engineering, Economics, Business, Statistics, or Psychology from any of the top-tier colleges in the country is preferred. Highly motivated candidates with a Master's degree from another discipline and good analytical skills may also apply.

Candidates must have the following:

- An open mind to learning new concepts and thinking creatively
- High standards in terms of quality of work, attention to detail, ability to multitask, and absolute commitment to task completion.
- Good writing skills
- Strong command over MS Office

Location: Shillong

The position is contractual for 12 months and will be renewed for 12 months pending strong performance, enabling the candidate to build up a profile for PhD applications. Interested candidates can apply online. The position will remain open, and applications will be accepted until a suitable candidate is found.

- Please send your latest CV to chair-neccie@iimshillong.ac.in

-Also, please upload a Statement of Purpose, one (1) page in length, discussing your interest in seeking this RA position. You should address the following points in your Statement of Purpose:

- Why are you motivated to take up this RA role?
- What are your career plans?
- How does the RA role fit into your career plans?
- Why are you confident that you will be a good RA?