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P.O: Mokdumpur, Dist.: Malda, West Bengal, Pin: 732103 (India)

Ref. No.: 003/UGB/DR-26

Date: 05.01.2026

**Advertisement for Project Staff in ICSSR (Ministry of Education,
Govt. of India) Funded Minor Research Project 2024-2025**

Applications are invited from eligible candidates to work as **Research Assistant and Field Investigators** under the ICSSR-sponsored **Minor Research Project 2024-2025** entitled: "*Impact of Community-Based Homestay Tourism (HmT) on Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): A Perspective Study on the Potential, Vulnerabilities, and Challenges of Indigenous Communities in the Remote Villages of Darjeeling Himalayan Region*" sanctioned letter no. F.No. 239/2024-25/ICSSR/RP/MN/SC dated 19/03/2025. Interested candidates are requested to send the duly completed prescribed application form along with detailed information about their education qualifications, research experience and publications (if any) and copies of supporting documents sent to "**Office of the Registrar, University of Gour Banga, P.O.: Mokdumpur, Dist. MALDA, West Bengal –732103, India**" within 13th January 2026. A soft copy of the application must be sent to sunilgeog@ugb.ac.in. The Interview of selected candidates for this project will be held on 21st January 2026, at the Department of Geography, University of Gour Banga.

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Project title: *Impact of Community-Based Homestay Tourism (HmT) on Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): A Perspective Study on the Potential, Vulnerabilities, and Challenges of Indigenous Communities in the Remote Villages of Darjeeling Himalayan Region*

Project Director (PD): Dr. Sunil Saha, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, University of Gour Banga, Malda, 732103

Co-Project Director (Co-PD): Dr. Arijit Das, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, University of Gour Banga, Malda, 732103

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A) Research Assistant

- No. of Vacancy: 01 (One)**
- Duration:** For a period of 2 (two) months.
- Monthly Remuneration/Emoluments:** Rs. 37,000/- per month (Consolidated)
- Essential Qualification:** Post Graduate in Social science discipline with minimum 55% marks from UGC recognized University or Institute with NET/ Ph.D./M.Phil.
 - Desirable:** (i) UGC NET/ CSIR NET or SET in the concerned discipline; (ii) Adequate knowledge of the English Language and handling socio-economic Data Analysis software.
- Age Limit:** 21 - 37 Years (Age relaxable by 5 years for SC and ST candidates, by 3 years for OBC candidates and up to 45 years of age for PWD candidates).
- Job Responsibility:** The Research Assistant will carry out the project-related literature review, develop questionnaire, data collection from the field, data analysis and writing of manuscript for publication and the report.



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B) Field Investigator

1. **No. of Vacancy: 01 (One)**
2. **Duration:** For a period of 2 (Two) months.
3. **Fellowship:** Rs. 20,000/- per month (Consolidated)
4. **Essential Qualification:** Post Graduate in Social science discipline from a UGC-recognized University/institute with a minimum of 55 % marks.
5. **Age Limit:** 21 -37 years (Age relaxable by 5 years for SC and ST candidates, by 3 years for OBC candidates and up to 45 years of age for PWD candidates).
6. **Job Responsibility:** The Field Investigator will help the research assistant in collecting data from the field and data entry.

Application Procedures:

Interested candidates are requested to send the duly completed prescribed application form along with detailed information about the education qualifications, research experience and publications (if any) and copies of supporting documents sent to "Office of the Registrar, University of Gour Banga, P.O.: Mokdumpur, Dist. MALDA, West Bengal –732103, India" within **13th January 2026**. A soft copy of the application must be e-mailed to Dr. Sunil Saha, Project Director (sunilgeog@ugb.ac.in) on or before **13th January 2026**. Only short-listed applicants will receive e-mail from **Dr. Sunil Saha**, Project Director for appearing in the interview. Candidate must carry his/her complete CV along with all academic original testimonials and one set of self-attested photocopy of all relevant documents during the time of the interview.

Term and Conditions:

- **No TA / DA will be paid for attending the interview.**
- The above position is purely temporary and contract basis and co-terminus at any time from the project without any notification (Subject to satisfactory performance).
- Continuation will depend on the satisfaction of research performance.
- Candidates are required to appear for the interview with curriculum vitae, all relevant original certificates with a set of self-attested photocopies and four passport-size photographs.
- Selected candidates will not be permitted to claim any regular/part-time appointments in this University or any other institution or University.
- Canvassing in any form will disqualify the candidature.

Date and Time of Interview: 21st January, 2026 at 2.00 p.m.

Venue: Department of Geography, University of Gour Banga, Malda, West Bengal, 732103

Sd/-
Deputy Registrar (Addl. Charge)
University of Gour Banga



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To,

The Registrar

University of Gour Banga, Malda

Sir,

I hereby apply for the **Research Assistant/Field Investigators** under the ICSSR-sponsored Minor Research Project 2024-2025 entitled “**Impact of Community-Based Homestay Tourism (HmT) on Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): A Perspective Study on the Potential, Vulnerabilities, and Challenges of Indigenous Communities in the Remote Villages of Darjeeling Himalayan Region**”, in the Department of Geography, University of Gour Banga, Malda, W.B. The relevant information is stated below:

1. Name of the applicant (in block letter):

2. Son/Daughter of:

3. Address for communication:

4. E-mail ID:

Contact No.:

5. Date of Birth:

6. Category:

7. Academic qualification (in chronological order):

<i>Examination Passed</i>	<i>Year of Passing</i>	<i>Board/Council/University</i>	<i>Subject(s)</i>	<i>% Marks</i>
Secondary/ Equivalent				
Higher Secondary				
B.Sc.(Honours)				
M.Sc.				
NET				
Others				

8. Doctoral degree, if any:

Year awarded:

University:

Title of Thesis:

9. Number of publications, if any:

(Attach list of publication as separate sheet/file)

National Journal:

International Journal:-

Experience in the relevant field (Year of experience with

proven):

10. Publication:

*I, _____, certify that the above
information is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.*

Date:

Place:

Candidate's full signature