



INDIA MIGRATION NOW

India Migration Now: Research Assistant Opening

Project Name : India Migration Now (IMN)

Location : Remote/Mumbai, India

Sector : Public Policy/ Development

Functional Area : Data | Policy | Research

Position Type : Part-time Research Internship (15-20 hours/week)(Rs. 7500/month)

Duration : 1-2 Months (negotiable)

Start Date : ASAP

Are you are passionate about migration, data, development or public policy in India? If so, then this is an excellent opportunity for you.

Project profile

IMN aims to make migration a key part of India's development agenda.

We are incubating a series of projects to actualise our vision. One of which involves building a migration data portal for India.

Large-scale migration warrants policies to address the needs of a population on the move, but policies in India assume that rural people are static. As a result, migrants face significant barriers. For the poorest households relying on government subsidies and benefits, migrating to another state results in forgoing benefits such as access to socialised housing, education and healthcare.

The lack of effective policy to address these realities of migration in India suggests that governments don't understand the full nature of the issue. There is an urgent need to generate better data, research and policies for migration within the country.

We want to help change the policy perspective that sees migration as something to limit and control to something which has to be harnessed and cultivated. An effective migration policy regime can become the most effective poverty reducing program for the Indian government. For more details please visit: indiamigrationnow.com

Position Profile and Expectations

- You will have to be a self starter, it is a hand off working environment --the work environment will be akin to an early stage start up.
- You will be primarily finding and reviewing empirical studies estimating the scale of migration in India.
- You will also help in writing sections of a paper on the same.
- You will work remotely and will be expected to meet with the team lead meet once a week.
- If you do a stellar job in developing this project, we will be happy to give co-authorship credit and potentially recommend you to our network of researchers and think tanks.

Tasks

- Reviewing Literature: You will be tracking and reviewing academic papers and primary data sources relevant to migration within India;
- Synthesising the research: We will require you for brainstorming sessions for the research project based on the literature review;
- Drafting Sections of Migration Data Review Paper: Drafting and editing sections of migration data review paper;
- Supporting Adjacent Projects: We might also need you to pitch in ideas and with tasks for parallel IMN projects.

Qualifications

Master's Degree in economics, statistics, econometrics, maths or any of the social sciences (involving empirical coursework). Interest in migration/public policy issues is paramount.

Skills

- Ability to conduct thorough research and analysis;
- Comfortable working with databases and statistics;
- Critical reading and writing skills;
- Ability to work to deadlines and under time pressure;
- Ability to explain [both orally, visually (ppt) and in the written format] research methodologies with clarity, detail and precision;
- A self-motivated and independent thinker;
- A consummate professional.

Are you keen about the position or want to know more the project? Then please send in a brief email explaining your interest along with a resume to: varunaggarwal1501@gmail.com

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