

INDIA MIGRATION NOW: MIGRATION POLICY INTERNSHIP

Project Name: **The Interstate Migrant Policy Index (IMPEX) Project**

Location: Remote

Sector: Development | Public Policy

Functional Area: Policy Research

Position: Policy Internship

Hours: 10-15 hours per week (flexible)

Stipend: Unpaid

Duration: 2-3 months (negotiable)

Start Date: ASAP

PROJECT DETAILS

India Migration Now is a migration data, policy, and research organisation, based out of Mumbai, India. It is a venture of the South East Migration Foundation. IMN aims to utilise its niche expertise in migration research as well as its extensive network of stakeholders to maximise impact for migrants everywhere. The Interstate Migrant Policy Index (IMPEX) is one such project incubated at IMN. IMPEX is the first of its kind for migration research in India. IMPEX is an ex-ante policy index that measures and ranks the extent to which the policy frameworks of Indian states are inclusive of interstate migrants. Data from multiple platforms, government and academic, make it clear that Indians are constantly on the move. Migration now numbers in the millions with states such as Maharashtra, Kerala, Delhi, and Gujarat, the prime destinations. Has state policy kept up with the increasing number of migrants choosing to move for employment, business, marriage, and other reasons? Based on a comprehensive and thorough assessment of state laws, regulations, and orders, IMPEX answers this question by providing a numerical index score for every state in India. The IMPEX score is tabulated on the basis of 8 major policy areas : Labour Market, Housing, Education, Children's Rights, Health and Sanitation, Identity and Registration, Political Participation, and Social Benefits. These are further subdivided into over 60 policy indicators covering every possible aspect of migrant life, ensuring a large scale granularity in the results. IMPEX is also a dynamic evaluation and will be updated over regular periods of time to reflect policy changes. The IMN Team has currently completed the IMPEX evaluation for 7 major destination states – Maharashtra, Delhi, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Punjab, and Haryana. The project is in the process of being scaled up to add all the Indian states.

IMPEX is based on the international Migrant Integration Policy Index (MIPEX) consolidated by Migration Policy Group, Brussels. IMPEX was conceptualised in co-ordination with the MIPEX team.

POSITION PROFILE AND EXPECTATIONS

- You will be expected to work primarily on the scaling up of the IMPEX evaluation. This will involve review and documentation of policy at state and national levels in India.
- It will also involve a comprehensive review of policy which will be done by going through government documents, secondary data sets, research papers, and repositories.

- You will work remotely and remain in touch with the IMN Team through email and Slack communication.
- You will participate in the final scoring and presentation process for the IMPEX states you work on.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Actively pursuing a Masters in Economics/Public Policy/any subject in the social sciences.
- Passion for and interest in migration studies.
- Ability to conduct thorough research and analysis.
- Ability to work with deadlines.
- Ability to learn quickly and work in a dynamic team.
- Ability to interpret and write about policy documents, regulations, and legislations.
- Organised and meticulous.

To know more about the IMPEX project and the position, write an email expressing your interest along with your curriculum vitae to communications@indiamigrationnow.org.

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