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Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan, New Delhi, 21st March, 2023

Advertisement for NEST Fellow (Consultant) for New, Emerging and Strategic Tehcnologies (NEST) Division of the Ministry of External Affairs

Applications in the prescribed proforma (as per Annexure I to the advertisement) are invited from eligible candidates for engagement of **01 (one)** Consultant in the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), New Delhi, as per details given below:

1.	Name of the Post	:	NEST Fellow (Consultant) in Ministry of External Affairs Headquarters, New Delhi		
2.	Period of Consultancy	:	Initially for 01 (one) year The contract can be extended further depending on assessment of performance, mutual willingness and depending on the requirement. The contract may be terminated on one month's notice from either side or on payment of one month's pay in lieu thereof. Unauthorized absence may lead to termination of the engagement.		
3.	Nature of Duties	:	 The selected NEST Fellow will be required to work in the New, Emerging & Strategic Technologies [NEST] Division in the Ministry. His/Her duties will entail gauging of emerging and strategic technologies and their relevance to India's development, economic growth and national security. This may include regular monitoring of information on international normative frameworks, technology governance rules and standards being deliberated by countries and providing knowledge-based inputs for the same. In this context, assist in analyses of legal implications of new and emerging technologies and technology-based resources. Assist in assessment of demand driven requirements of new emerging and strategic technologies of relevance to India and assess potential for collaboration. Analyse published material on new emerging and strategic technologies. Assist in meetings, workshops, seminars and conferences relevant to the work of NEST Division 		

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			• From time to time, undertake research on specific NEST related issues.		
			• Any other tasks assigned by the Head of the Division.		
4.	Job Location	:	• Ministry of External Affairs (South Block/ Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan / Sushma Swaraj Bhawan/Patiala House/ISIL Building/Akbar Bhavan), New Delhi.		
5.	Qualifications/Essential Criteria	:	• The Applicant should only be an Indian national.		
			 He/She should must be a graduate in Mathematics/Physics/Bio-Science/Computer Science. 		
			• The candidates having specialization/work experience in the field of Artificial Intelligence/Quantum Frontiers/Renewable Energy, waste to wealth, water, space and Deep Ocean Exploration technologies will be given preference.		
			• Candidate should be in the age group of 30-40 years as on the last date of submission of application.		
6.	Desirable Criteria	:	 Previous experience of handling issues relating to fields of Artificial Intelligence/Quantum Frontiers/ Renewable Energy, Waste to Wealth, Water, Space and Deep Ocean Exploration technolgies will be given prefernce. 		
			 Extra credit will be given for preference of work in reputed university, think-tank or research organisations in the areas mentioned above and/or foreign policy or international affairs. 		
7.	Remuneration & Entitlements	:	• The remuneration package will be commensurate with the experience and profile of the selected candidate, subject to a maximum of Rs.12 lakh per annum (Rs.1,00,000/- per month) and deduction of applicable taxes. The amount of consultancy fee so fixed shall remain unchanged during the term of engagement.		
			• The engagement will be strictly contractual and will not confer any other benefits to the selected candidates.		
			• The consultant shall not be entitled to any benefit like Provident Fund, Pension, Gratuity, Medical Attendance Treatment, Seniority, Promotion etc. or any other benefits available to the regular employees of the Ministry.		
			• No HRA shall be admissible.		
			• The engagement of the Consultant is on full time basis. Normal working hours will be from 0900 to		

			 1730 hrs. Working hours is subject to change from time to time. Saturdays/Sundays will remain closed as weekend off. In exigencies, he/she may be required to work beyond office hours and/or on closed holidays. No extra allowance or remuneration for such work is admissible. He/She shall not accept any other professional appointment, paid or otherwise during the term of engagement with this Ministry. Paid leave of absence may be allowed at the rate of 1.5 days for each completed month of service. Accumulation of leave beyond a calendar year may not be allowed. Leave cannot be claimed as a matter of right. Leave will not be allowed for more than 10 days at a time. Discretion is reserved to the Head of Division to refuse or revoke leave in the public interest. Leave encashment will not be permissible on unspent leave. Unspent leave will lapse on commencement of notice period. No other leave of any kind shall be admissible to him/her. In case he/she remains absent from duty beyond entitled leave, a proportionate deduction from the consolidated fee as applicable will be made. In case the Consultant is required to travel as part of his/her duties, the Ministry will take care of his/her travel, accommodation and per-diem costs, at par with Under Secretary in the Ministry. The selected person will be required to enter into a contract with the Ministry in a prescribed format w.e.f. from the actual date of engagement as Consultant.
8.	How to apply	:	 The applicants who fulfil the eligibility criteria may submit application indicating their interest in working for the Ministry of External Affairs as per proforma at Annexure I. Documents / certificates in support of educational qualifications, experience in Govt. service should be attached with the application. The envelope containing the applicants' details as mentioned above should be clearly labelled "Application for the position of NEST Fellow in NEST Division of Ministry of External Affairs" and sent to: Under Secretary (PF&PG) Ministry of External Affairs, Room No. 4071, Jawaharlal Nehru Bhawan, 23-D, Janpath, New Delhi-110011 Note: Applications received through email will not be considered.

• Ministry of External Affairs will review the applications and short list the candidates if considers suitable for interview. The short-listed candidates will be intimated by email.
• The date, time and venue of the interview will be conveyed through email at the email address provided by the applicants.
• Applicants will have to make their own arrangements to reach the place of interview.
 No TA/DA will be payable by the Ministry to Applicants for attending interview.
• The final selection will be based on their performance at the interview.
• The decision of the Government regarding selection of candidate will be final.

The last date for receiving applications is **10th April, 2023 (1730 hrs)**. Applications received after the closing date or without the prescribed documents or otherwise found incomplete or not in the prescribed proforma will be rejected and no correspondence shall be entertained in this regard.

ANNEXURE-I

APPLICATION PROFORMA FOR THE POSITION OF NEST FELLOW FOR THE NEST DIVISION OF THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, NEW DELHI (Only for Indian Nationals)

Paste your passport size photo here

- 1. Name of the position :
- 2. Name :
- 3. Father's Name/ Husband's Name :
- 4. Date of Birth :
- 5. Gender :
- 6. Educational Qualifications :
- 7. Mobile No. :
- 8. Email ID :
- 9. Address for Communication :
- 10. Details of employment in chronological order, if applicable. (*Enclose a separate sheet, if space below is insufficient*)

Department/ Institution/ Organisation	Post held	From	То	Emoluments	Nature of duties performed

11. Details of courses/ training programmes attended, if any:

12. Languages known :

- 13. Details of previous Consultancy, if any :
- 14. Additional information, if any, which you would like to mention in support of your suitability for the post. Enclose a separate sheet, if need be.

15. Remarks, if any :

(Signature of Candidate) Date: