



भारतीय वन्यजीव संस्थान  
Wildlife Institute of India

Advt. No. WII/BH/MAH/JT/2019

**Engagement of Junior and Senior Research Fellow for the Project  
'Understanding Population Dynamics, Space Use, Movement and Diet of  
Leopards in Junnar Taluka, Maharashtra for Human Leopard Conflict  
Mitigation'**

The Wildlife Institute of India (WII) is a premier autonomous Institute under the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India, in the field of teaching, training and research. The WII wishes to engage following posts for the project '**Understanding Population Dynamics, Space Use, Movement and Diet of Leopards in Junnar Taluka, Maharashtra for Human Leopard Conflict Mitigation**' funded by Maharashtra Forest Department. Positions are for a period of **ONE YEAR** initially and may to be extended for three years based on the performance of the candidate. The proposed project expects to generate baseline information on spatio-temporal use of the Junnar Division and adjoining landscape by the leopards. The study is going to help in managing leopards in the Junnar Forest Division and will also try to evaluate the connectivity of the landscape for leopard movement.

**The process of selection of Junior/Senior Research Fellow will include 01 hrs of written test followed by Interview on 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.**

1	<b>Engagement Position</b>	<b>Junior Research Fellow – Ecology (ONE POSITION)</b>
	<b>Essential Qualification (EQ)</b>	Masters' Degree in Wildlife Science/ Botany/ Zoology/ Forestry/ Life Science/ Agriculture/Environmental Sciences/Statistics with a minimum of 60% aggregate marks from a recognized University.
	<b>Desirable Qualification (DQ)</b>	Candidate(s) with prior experience in sampling design and animal abundance estimation are preferred. Prior experience of sampling using camera trapping, distance sampling and radio-telemetry. Knowledge of GIS and GPS is desirable. Should be able to undertake arduous field work under rigorous conditions.
	<b>Work description</b>	The work involves sampling using camera trapping and distance sampling. Extensive tracking of collared leopards in human dominated landscape.
	<b>Age</b>	Not exceeding <b>28</b> years as on the date of interview. Upper age limit in case of applicants belonging to SC/ST/OBC/PH/Women Candidates may be relaxed as per the rules.
	<b>Emoluments</b>	Rs. 31,000/- + HRA
2	<b>Engagement Position</b>	<b>Junior/ Senior Research Fellow – Sociology (ONE POSITION)</b>

	<b>Essential Qualification (EQ)</b>	Masters' Degree Social Sciences or related subjects with a minimum of 60% aggregate marks from a recognized University. Minimum 2 years post masters research experience required for SRF.
	<b>Desirable Qualification (DQ)</b>	Candidate(s) with prior experience in conducting socio-economic surveys related to conservation are preferred. Should be able to undertake arduous field work under rigorous conditions.
	<b>Work description</b>	Socio-economic surveys to evaluate dependency of local people on forest resources and to evaluate the magnitude of conflict of large carnivores.
	<b>Age</b>	Not exceeding <b>28 (JRF) and 32 (SRF)</b> years as on the date of interview. Upper age limit in case of applicants belonging to SC/ST/OBC/PH/Women Candidates may be relaxed as per the rules.
	<b>Emoluments</b>	Rs. 31,000 (JRF) / 35,000 (SRF) + HRA
<b>3</b>	<b>Location of Project Site</b>	Junnar Forest Division, Junnar, Maharashtra, India
<b>4</b>	<b>Funding Agency</b>	Maharashtra Forest Department

### General Conditions

1. The candidate should report by 0930 hrs for verification of documents followed by written test on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and personal Interview on the same day at 1400 hrs. The Institute will not provide accommodation for candidates appearing for the written test and personal interview.
2. Candidates should bring the duly filled-in application with attested true copies of testimonials of educational qualifications along with certificate of extracurricular activities; date of birth, mark sheets of all examinations etc. All original documents/certificates must be produced at the time of registration for necessary verification.
3. No TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview.
4. The application form can be downloaded from the Institute's website [www.wii.gov.in](http://www.wii.gov.in)

The Director WII, reserves the right to reject any candidature in view of incomplete information provided by the candidate or for any other reason thereof.

**Nodal Officer  
Consultancy Project**