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Position: Research Associate (Data), Scaling City Institutions for India: (SCI-FI)

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It seeks to understand the reasons for poor urban planning and WASH, and to examine how these might be related to technology, service delivery, institutions, governance, finance, and socio-economic dimensions. It also seeks to support national, state and city authorities in developing policies and programmes for intervention with the goal of improving governance in urban areas.

Description of responsibilities

This position will involve working with primary and secondary data to develop insights and policy recommendations for improving urban planning and WASH related services. The responsibilities associated with this role are:

- Support the team in research by
  - Undertaking primary and secondary data analysis for developing relevant policy insights on issues of urban land, planning, housing and WASH
  - Creating quantitative and qualitative research instruments (Questionnaires, Discussion Guides)
  - Carrying out the analysis of the data from the primary and secondary sources
  - Developing research outputs for wider dissemination
- Support the team in drafting research reports, state policies, guidance notes, presentations on various issues related to urban land, planning, housing and WASH
- Undertake any other task as may be required under the project
- Support the team on ongoing programme related activities and programme management functions

Essential Qualification and Skills:

- Master's degree in Public Policy, Economics, Development Studies, or social sciences including Sociology, Political Science, Anthropology
- 0-2 years of professional experience in the social development sector and ability to read widely across disciplines and review relevant literature
- Familiarity with quantitative data analysis tools like R/STATA or any other tools
- Familiarity with Census, NSSO and other such databases
- Excellent conceptual and analytical skills

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- Prior professional experience in Urban governance especially in urban planning and WASH sector will be an advantage
- Experience in advocacy and policy development will be desirable
- Strong verbal and written skills in English and Hindi will be essential
- Ability to travel

This is a full time, contractual job for a year. This position is for Delhi.

We are committed to diversity and promote equal opportunities for qualified women and men candidates from all ethnic and religious backgrounds to become part of this project. If you are a committed and creative professional who is looking for a stimulating and excellent working milieu to facilitate partners' efforts in making cities in India totally sanitized and healthy, then we look forward to work with you.

How to apply:

Kindly send an email with your updated CV, a one-page cover letter (explaining how you meet the above mentioned qualifications and your motivations to apply for this job), and a writing sample to sci-fi@cprindia.org by March 15, 2022, with the subject line "RA_Data_[Your Name]". We will only contact shortlisted candidates for further consideration. Kindly also mention your current and expected remuneration.