Job Title: Fellow - [Initiative on Climate, Energy and Environment]

Employer: Centre for Policy Research

Location: Delhi

Assignment type: Full time

Salary: Competitive think tank salary commensurate to candidate’s experience

About Centre for Policy Research

Centre for Policy Research (CPR) is India’s leading public policy think tank. CPR is a non-profit, non-partisan independent institution dedicated to research that contributes to the production of high-quality scholarship, better policies, and a more robust public discourse about the structures and processes that shape life in India.

About the Initiative on Climate, Energy and Environment (ICCE)

The Initiative on Climate, Energy and Environment (ICCE) at Centre for Policy produces research, informs public opinion and generates debate on climate, energy and environment policy at international, national and sub-national levels. Our goal is to enhance policy outcomes through informed research and policy dialogue within India and internationally.

To know more about the initiative and its work visit: https://cprindia.org/research/initiative-on-climate-energy-environment/

About the Role

The Centre for Policy Research invites applications for a Fellow position to work with its Initiative on Climate, Energy and Environment. The role of a Fellow is to identify new topics and develop and obtain funding for proposals supporting policy-relevant research projects that employ a range of social research methods. This position requires the capacity to work independently and autonomously on a number of research and policy projects simultaneously.

Applicants must have research interests related to the energy transition in India (both policy and governance), though there is flexibility in the candidate’s specific research areas within this broad fields. While the energy transition can be explored from any entry point, a few themes that the group currently explores include just transitions for coal regions of India, governance of energy transitions, metrics and indicators of progress, energy transition and climate change, sub-national electricity transitions and the changing political economy of energy and electricity. The intention is that the Fellow will develop his or her independent policy research agenda, and will simultaneously work in collaboration with other ICCE faculty.

In addition, the Fellow will be expected to contribute and participate in broader research discussions within the Initiative and CPR.

Specific Responsibilities

- Explore research opportunities, develop research proposals, and design implementation plans
- Correspond with stakeholders, present research ideas and engage in discussion
- Undertake and oversee quantitative and/or qualitative data collection using different research tools
- Prepare clearly written academic publications, analytical reports, and other forms of dissemination of research
- Mentor and assist staff and early-stage researchers in the organization
- Engage in appropriate training and professional development opportunities as required by the organization
- Any other related assignments may be entrusted by the reporting authority
Background and Qualifications

Education

- Applicants must have a Ph.D. in a relevant social science discipline or applied sciences with demonstrable policy engagement. Applicants with masters will only be considered if the candidate brings considerable policy experience.

Work Experience

- 3-5 years of relevant work experience, with demonstrated interest in energy policy, climate policy or governance is highly desirable

Key Competencies

- Publications in refereed journals (highly desirable)
- Good research and writing skills are essential
- Ability to communicate and work with a team that draws from diverse disciplines
- Ability to participate in the Centre for Policy Research's broader intellectual agenda

Candidates falling short in one of the required qualifications (without a PhD degree or less experience or publications), but having demonstrated interest in energy policy will be considered for 'Associate Fellow' position. If you wish to apply for an Associate Fellow position, please do mention so in the cover letter.

Application Instructions

Please send in your application to climate.initiative.cpr@gmail.com, with subject line “Application: Fellow (Energy), ICEE”. Applications should include:

- A cover letter explaining your suitability for the position
- A brief statement (not more than 2-pages) of research interests and research plans
- A curriculum vitae

All applications will be reviewed on rolling basis and the position will remain open until filled.