

About Centre for Policy Research (CPR)

The Centre for Policy Research (CPR) has been one of India's leading public policy think tanks since 1973. CPR is a non-profit, non-partisan, independent institution dedicated to conducting research that contributes to high quality scholarship, better policies, and a robust public discourse about the issues that impact life in India.

About Land Rights Initiative (LRI)

Land Rights Initiative (LRI) was created in November 2014 as an institutional space for building systematic knowledge on issues of law and justice relating to land and other social and economic rights that are essential for living a life with dignity under Article 21 of the Constitution. LRI currently houses research projects on "mapping land legislation in India", using "data analytics on legal texts", "right to development", and "Climate Justice". More information about LRI's research projects and publications can be accessed on www.landlawsofindia.org.

Duration and Modality of Internship

- The internship is for a minimum duration of one month, with the option of extension, subject to mutual availability and project requirements.
- This is a full-time, offline, in-person internship based in Delhi. No remote or hybrid arrangements are available. Applicants should apply only if they are able to commit to a physical, in-person internship for the full duration.
- LRI is hiring student interns on a **rolling basis for the period February 2026 to July 2026**. Applicants may apply for internship dates falling within this period. Each internship engagement will be for a minimum of one month.

Description of Responsibilities

The tasks may include, but are not limited to, the following:

Legal Interns

- Legal and policy research on land rights and related issues;
- Reviewing and summarising legislation, case law, and policy documents;
- Assisting with literature reviews and research writing.

Social Science Interns

- Qualitative and quantitative research on land, and related social and economic rights;
- Assisting with literature reviews, data collection, and basic data analysis;
- Supporting research documentation and writing.

Essential Qualifications

Legal Intern

1. Enrolled in a 5-year B.A. LL.B./B.B.A. LL.B./B.Sc. LL.B. programme (3rd year or above) or a 3-year LL.B. programme (2nd year or above), with relevant policy-sector internship experience.
2. Proficiency in legal research using databases such as Manupatra and SCC Online, law commentaries/books, and government sources.
3. Ability to summarise judgments and legislation into clear, precise, and concise notes, with strong writing and communication skills.

Social Science Intern

1. Enrolled in a 3-year B.A. or B.Sc. programme in a social science discipline (2nd year or above), with relevant policy-sector internship experience.
2. Ability to conduct qualitative and quantitative research, including data analysis and presentation.
3. Proficiency in Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint), with strong research, writing, and communication skills.

Preferred Qualifications

1. Publications on topics related to the legal and constitutional interpretation of land laws, property rights, or social, economic, civil, and political rights.
2. Strong knowledge and prior experience in legal writing or data analysis. Proficiency in using data analysis and visualisation tools will be considered an added benefit.

Note: With a demonstrable interest in issues relating to land rights and policy in India, and a passion to work toward social change that secure land rights for all.

How to apply:

Interested candidates can apply by filling the Google Form here: <https://bit.ly/4rn9W7u>

Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for further consideration. We are committed to diversity and to ensuring equal opportunities for qualified women, men and transgender candidates from all ethnic and religious backgrounds. **Please submit your application by midnight on February 16, 2026. Internship applications will be considered on a rolling basis.**