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ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROJECT POSITIONS

Applications are invited for the positions of one Junior Research Fellow (JRF) (01), two Project Associates (02) and two Field Assistants (02) for the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF) funded project, "**AI-Assisted Digital Curation and Global Promotion of North-East Indian Folklore: A Focus on Manipur and Tripura"** (ANRF/SSH/2025/000433/DH) at NIT Agartala, Tripura.

Project Duration: Five years (23 October 2026 to 22 October 2031)

Funding Agency: Anusandhan National Research Foundation

Principal Investigator:
Dr. Gyanabati Khuraijam, Associate Professor, Department of MHSS, NIT Agartala

Co-PIs.: Prof. Debasis Neogi, Prof. Dept. of MHSS, NIT Agartala
Dr. Kunal Chakma, Associate Professor, Dept. of CSE, NIT Agartala
Dr. Anupam Jamatia, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CSE, NIT Agartala
Dr. Yumnam Oken Singh, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Basic Science & Humanities, CAU, Imphal
Dr. Thounaojam Ruhichand Singh, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Umang Lai Haraoba, Manipur University of Culture, Imphal

Details of Vacant Positions:

1. **Junior Research Fellow (JRF) – 01 post**
   Remuneration*:* ₹37,000 + HRA as per institute/ANRF rules (5 years, coterminous with the project), upgradable to SRF after 2 years as per ANRF norms.
   Eligibility*:* MA in English / Cultural Studies / Folklore with NET/JRF
   Essential*:* Familiarity with Manipuri/ Kokborok culture and language

2. **Project Associate - I (Language) – 01 post**
   Remuneration: ₹37,000 + HRA per month (5 years, coterminous with the project)
   Eligibility: MA in Linguistics / Applied Linguistics / Computational Linguistics with NET/JRF
   Essential: Familiarity with Manipuri and/or Kokborok language, and skills in translation and transcription

3. **Project Associate – I (Computer Science) – 01 post**
   Remuneration*:* ₹37,000 + HRA per month (5 years, coterminous with the project)
   Eligibility*:* M.Tech or MSc in Computer Science, Computer Science and Engineering, Information Technology, Artificial Intelligence, Data Analytics, Data Engineering, or Data Science, with a valid GATE score.
   Desirable*:* Knowledge and/or hands-on experience in Python programming, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Large Language Models (LLMs), Information Retrieval, and Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG); OCR and speech-to-text technologies; data processing, database management, and metadata structuring; digital libraries and archiving platforms; and GPU-enabled computing, cloud platforms, and High-Performance Computing (HPC). Familiarity with Linux, Git/GitHub, and multilingual language processing will be an added advantage.

4. **Field Assistant – 02 posts (Manipuri–1, Kokborok–1)**

***Remuneration**:* ₹27,000 + HRA per month (for 3 years)

Eligibility: MA in Anthropology / Tribal Studies / Cultural Studies / Folklore / Sociology / History

***Essential**:* Knowledge of local languages and communities of Manipur (Manipuri) / Tripura (Kokborok), along with photography and videography skills

Preference shall be given to the native speakers of the Meiteilon and/or Kokborok languages.

Applicants should email their application to: panrf.coe26@gmail.com

LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION: 28 November 2026 (11:59 PM IST)

Selection Procedure:

Shortlisted applicants will be notified of the date, time and venue of the interview after 01 December 2026. The interview will be held in hybrid mode (online and offline).

Sd/-

(Gyanabati Khuraijam)
Principal Investigator

Terms and Conditions

1. The positions are purely temporary and will be governed by the administrative rules and conditions of the Research & Consultancy Cell, NIT Agartala.
2. Candidates, before appearing for the interview, shall ensure that they are eligible for the position they apply for.
3. The interview will be conducted in hybrid mode, offering both online and offline participation options.
4. Interested candidates should send their filled application, including a photograph and signed copy of educational qualifications, research publications, and a statement of interest on or before November 28, 2026. The application should be sent to Dr. Gyanabati Khuraijam, Associate Professor, Department of MHSS, National Institute of Technology Agartala, Tripura, India, through e-mail at panrf.coe26@gmail.com
5. The upper age limit for JRF, Project Associate, and Field Assistant candidates is 30 years (with age relaxation for OBC/SC/ST/Women/PwD candidates as per GoI norms).
6. The project duration is 5 years.
7. No TA/DA is permissible for appearing in the interview and joining in case of selection.
8. The institute reserves the right to cancel the process at any point of time without assigning any reason.
9. The candidate shall bring along with them the original documents and experience certificate(s) at the time of joining for verification.
10. The appointment will be temporary in nature and as per the Institute's terms and conditions.
11. Only shortlisted candidates will be informed through the email provided in the application form for interview; upon selection, an engagement letter will be sent through the email.
12. The applicant will be responsible for the authenticity of information, documents, and photographs submitted.
13. The Institute reserves the right to cancel the recruitment without assigning any reason.
14. The engagement can be terminated without assigning any reason.
15. The JRF and Project Associates will be provided with an opportunity to register for PhD at NIT Agartala.

Sd/-

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APPLICATION FORM

ANRF Project: "AI-Assisted Digital Curation and Global Promotion of North-East Indian Folklore: A Focus on Manipur and Tripura"

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A. Post Applied For

☐ Junior Research Fellow (JRF) ☐ Research Associate (Language) ☐ Research Associate (Computer Science)

☐ Field Assistant

If applying for Field Assistant, indicate preferred language/community (if applicable) _____

B. Personal Details

Particulars	Details to be filled in by the applicant
1. Full name (in block letters)	
2. Father's/Mother's/Spouse's name	
3. Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	
4. Age as on 28.11.2026	
5. Gender	☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Other
6. Nationality	
7. Category	☐ UR/General ☐ SC ☐ ST ☐ OBC-NCL ☐ EWS ☐ PwD
8. Marital status (optional)	☐ Married ☐ Unmarried
9. Correspondence address	
10. Email address	
11. Mobile number (Whatsapp No.)	
12. Languages known (read/write/speak)	

C. Educational Qualifications

Starting from Class X/Higher Secondary, list all qualifications in chronological order. Attach self-attested copies of certificates/mark sheets.

Examination / Degree	Discipline / Specialization	University / Board	Year	Percentage/CGPA	Class / Division

D. Qualifying Test Details (As Applicable To The Post)

☐ GATE ☐ UGC-NET ☐ CSIR-NET ☐ JRF ☐ Not applicable

Test	Subject / Paper	Year	Score / Marks	Percentile / Rank	Valid up to (if applicable)

GATE score (for Research Associate – Computer Science applicants) _____

NET/JRF details (for JRF / Research Associate – Language applicants) _____

E. Post-Specific Eligibility and Skills

1. Junior Research Fellow (JRF)

☐ MA English ☐ MA Cultural Studies ☐ MA Folklore

NET/JRF subject, year and details _____

Familiarity with Manipuri/Kokborok culture and language (provide details) _____

2. Research Associate (Language)

☐ MA Linguistics ☐ MA Applied Linguistics ☐ MA Computational Linguistics

Language(s): ☐ Manipuri ☐ Kokborok ☐ Both ☐ Other: _____ _____

Translation experience / proficiency (language pair and details) _____

Transcription experience / tools used _____

3. Research Associate (Computer Science)

☐ M.Tech ☐ M.Sc

Degree discipline / specialization _____

Indicate your knowledge or hands-on experience (tick all applicable):

☐ Python programming ☐ Machine Learning ☐ Deep Learning

☐ NLP ☐ LLMs / Generative AI ☐ Information Retrieval

☐ RAG ☐ OCR ☐ Speech-to-text

☐ Data processing ☐ Database management ☐ Metadata structuring

☐ Digital libraries / archiving ☐ GPU computing ☐ Cloud platforms

☐ HPC ☐ Linux ☐ Git/GitHub ☐ Multilingual language processing

Relevant tools, platforms, projects and experience (please specify) _____

4. Field Assistant (Manipuri / Kokborok)

☐ MA Anthropology ☐ MA Tribal Studies ☐ MA Cultural Studies

☐ MA Folklore ☐ MA Sociology ☐ MA History

Relevant local language(s) and proficiency (tick all applicable): ☐ Manipuri ☐ Kokborok ☐ Both

Community / fieldwork experience in Manipur or Tripura _____

Photography / videography skills (tick all applicable):

☐ Photography ☐ Videography ☐ Audio recording ☐ Video editing ☐ Image editing ☐ Field documentation

Equipment / software used and relevant experience _____

F. Research / Professional Experience

Provide details of research, employment, internships, fieldwork or project experience, if any. Attach experience certificates where available.

Organization / Institution	Position / Role	Period (From–To)	Nature of work / responsibilities

Total relevant experience _____

G. Research Publications / Projects / Other Achievements

Publications (attach a separate list, if required) _____

Projects / dissertation / thesis title and brief description _____

Awards, certifications, or other relevant achievements _____

H. Statement of Interest

Briefly explain your interest in the project and your suitability for the post (attach a separate statement, preferably not exceeding one page).

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I. Declaration

I hereby declare that the information furnished in this application and the documents submitted along with it are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if any information is found to be false, my candidature/engagement may be cancelled in accordance with the applicable rules.

Place	Date	Signature of Applicant

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☐ Application complete ☐ Application incomplete ☐ Eligible ☐ Not eligible

Remarks _____

Verified by	Designation	Date	Signature