NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, ROURKELA – 769 008 (ODISHA)
SPONSORED RESEARCH, INDUSTRIAL CONSULTANCY & CONTINUING EDUCATION

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Applications are invited on prescribed format (On-line) for the temporary post of "Consultant: Foundational Learning**"** for the **"Centre of Excellence on Public Health Nutrition."**, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, National Institute of Technology Rourkela.

1.	Name of the Temporary Post:	Consultant: Foundational Learning
2.	Number of Positions	01
3.	Name of the Research Project:	Centre of Excellence (CoE) on 'Public Health Nutrition'
4.	Name of the Sponsoring Agency:	UNICEF
5.	Tenure of the Project:	5 Years
6.	Tenure of the Assignment:	Initially contract will be given for one year (till 31st December, 2023), based on the performance contract will be extended further
7.	Duty Station and Reporting	The consultant to be stationed at Bhubaneswar and will be required to travel to intervention districts on need felt basis. Reporting: He/ She will be working under the direct supervision of PI, CoE-PHN, UNICEF Education Specialist/Officer and day-to-day functioning from the Director TE & SCERT, Department of School and Mass Education, Govt. of Odisha
8.	**Job Description:** The **Foundational Learning Consultant** will provide critical technical support to maximise FLN learning outcomes in association with UNICEF and UNICEF's engagement with the SCERT, Department of School and Mass Education, Govt. of Odisha alongside other key directorates in the Department of School and Mass Education, and support coordination with the Dept. of Women & Child Development, Mission Shakti and ST & SC Development, Minorities & Backward Classes Welfare Department etc. for FLN-specific interventions. This role will entail planning, capacity building, drafting of technical documents and research to support evidence-based decision-making.	

The duties and responsibilities include the following but are not only limited to:

- Support on convergence of ECCE and FLN with W&CD and SCERT

- Support on planning state and district level initiatives for quality ECCE-FLN implementation through co-located AWCs

- Planning and overseeing capacity building of key stakeholders for FLN promotional, community mobilization and communication campaigns

- Technical input provided to strengthen Foundational Learning-based training and tools provided by different stakeholders to SCERT

- Support the technical vetting and quality check of content, language and relevance of FLN materials like TLM, IEC etc., including support on textbook quality review as determined by Director, TE&SCERT

- Participation in State PMU on FLN initiatives, handholding and implementation of best practices

- Managing state and district-level activities for FLN-based capacity building, including FLN NAS results dissemination with SCERT

- Provide technical support to strengthen FLN Resource Centers in 5 DIETs

- Documenting and introducing best practice models and their replication for FLN promotion at the state and district level

- Documenting case studies, human interest stories etc. in select districts

- Providing coordination support with Dept. of Women & Child Development, Mission Shakti and ST & SC Development, Minorities & Backward Classes Welfare Department, alongside other Dept. of School and Mass Education Directorates for FLN promotion and advancement objectives

9.	Consolidated monthly Salary/ Fellowship:	Rs. 1,00,000/- per month
10.	Essential Qualifications and experience:	**Essential**: Master's degree in social science, preference for B.Ed. or specialization in Education **Experience**: A minimum of 5-7 years of related work experience in the education sector. Experience of work in FLN will be preferred
11.	Desirable Qualifications/ Experiences :	- Strong understanding of social science research tools and practices, familiarity with FLN-based programming is desirable - Strong familiarity with FLN-specific curricula, policy frameworks, evidence generation tools, textbook writing and production - Experience of working with the state government of Odisha and UN agencies on FLN or learning outcomes is desirable

12.	Selection Process	Written Test & Personal Interview
13.	Accommodation:	NA
14.	Age	As per Institute Norms.

For technical information on the project, the candidate may contact the Principal Investigator at the following address:

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Date and Time for the Test/Online Interview: 9th May, 2023 at 10:00 AM

Eligible candidates may apply within 06.05.2023, 2359 HRS. The candidates are required to send the complete filled up application form along with a resume (Soft copy) to pradhanj@nitrkl.ac.in with a cc to coephn.nitr@gmail.com. The application form is available in the following link: http://nitrkl.ac.in/oldwebsite/Jobs_Tenders/5ProjectFellowships/Doc/JRF%20LS-PND-64(2).pdf which must be filled by candidates and also required to attach photocopies of all supporting documents, research papers (if any) etc.

Candidates will build **a Single PDF** file; it is to be sent to Principal Investigator (pradhanj@nitrkl.ac.in with a cc to coephn.nitr@gmail.com) **on or before 06.05.2023, 2359 HRS**. The candidates are also required to produce relevant documents mentioned in the application form [such as original of all mark sheets and certificates, research papers (if any), experience certificate (if any) etc.] at the time of interview / joining. Selection / Joining will be cancelled in case of any suppression of information / document provided earlier.

Mere possession of minimum qualification does not guarantee invitation to the interview. Candidates will be short listed based on merit and need of the project. The Shortlisted candidates called for the interview will be intimated by **8th May, 2023.**

Sd/-
Asst. Registrar (SR)

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2) Dr. Jalandhar Pradhan, PI with a request to give wide publicity to advertisement.

3) Head of the Department, HS.

4) Project file.