



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

**NITR/SR/2023/Advt-22HS061/L/007, Dated: 24.04.2023**

Applications are invited on prescribed format (On-line) for the temporary post of “National Education Policy Expert” 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:	National Education Policy Expert
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 31 <sup>st</sup> 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 Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Department of School and Mass Education, Govt. of Odisha
8.	<b>Job Description:</b> The <b>National Education Policy Expert</b> will provide critical technical support to maximize learning outcomes in four key areas: Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, Inclusive Education, School Complexes and Multiple Flexible Pathways for Learning, alongside other priority areas of the Department of School and Mass Education as advised by Commissioner-cum-Secretary, DSME, Government of Odisha. Providing overall policy input and expertise for education policies, frameworks, guidelines and execution, and supporting strategic decision-making and results-based planning and monitoring, to maximize learning outcomes will be core to this role and will entail planning, capacity building, drafting of technical documents and presentation materials, alongside research.	

	<p>The duties and responsibilities include the following but are not only limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support on planning and execution, including results-based monitoring of FLN promotional and quality delivery activities</li> <li>• Support on planning, execution and capacity building for Inclusive Education outcomes</li> <li>• Support the technical design and coordination for school complexes, to provide for holistic education, infrastructure and facilities with devolution of autonomy for functioning as outlined in the NEP 2020. Coordination with Mo School on the 5T Schools initiative, alongside key directorates in the Department of School and Mass Education</li> <li>• Support the development and deployment of multiple flexible pathways for children and adolescents through coordination with the Directorates of Secondary Education, Vocational Education and Higher Secondary Education, SIOS, World Skill Centre and Odisha Skill Development Authority along with other key stakeholders</li> <li>• Regularly collate updates from different directorates under the Department of School and Mass Education, to prepare briefings for Commissioner-cum-Secretary, DSME. Set a cadence for monitoring and reporting, alongside quality checks for initiatives and interventions across directorates</li> <li>• Collaborate with, and convene discussions with diverse partner organizations like CSOs and NGOs supporting the education ecosystem in the state of Odisha and identify accountability matrices to streamline support, if so required by the Department</li> <li>• Collate best practices, contemporary research, models and case studies alongside intervention-specific evidence collected by the Department, to aid decision-making at the policy level</li> </ul> <p>Support the documentation, development of presentation and communication materials, strategy notes and results-based narratives to build understanding and provide pathways for effective execution of policies</p>	
9.	Consolidated monthly Salary/ Fellowship:	Rs. 1,50,000/- per month
10.	Essential Qualifications and experience:	<p><b>Essential:</b> Master's degree in social science, preference for B.Ed. or specialization in Education</p> <p><b>Experience:</b> A minimum of 7-10 years of related work experience in the education sector, specifically in the policy space.</p>
11.	Desirable Qualifications/ Experiences :	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Experience of working in implementation as well as advisory capacities in the education policy space</li> <li>• Strong understanding of social science research tools and practices, familiarity with education policy development and execution is desirable</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strong familiarity with technical support on school curricula, policy frameworks and guidelines, and evidence generation/results-based management tools</li> <li>• Experience of working with the state government of Odisha and UN agencies on learning outcomes is desirable</li> <li>• Analytical, negotiating, communication and advocacy skills, partnership management, excellent writing skills, and strong digital skills are required</li> </ul>
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](mailto:pradhanj@nitrkl.ac.in) with a cc to [coepn.nitr@gmail.com](mailto:coepn.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](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](mailto:pradhanj@nitrkl.ac.in) with a cc to [coephn.nitr@gmail.com](mailto: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 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2023.**

**Sd/-  
Asst. Registrar (SR)**

Copy to:

- 1) All Heads of the Departments, NIT, Rourkela for publication on Departmental Notice Boards.
- 2) Dr. Jalandhar Pradhan, PI with a request to give wide publicity to advertisement.
- 3) Head of the Department, HS.
- 4) Project file.