

Opportunity with Dakshin Foundation

Number of vacancies: One

Position: Programme Officer

Chief responsibilities: Plan and execute a strategy for strengthening Environmental Education in India through both formal and non-formal systems. This would include identifying key opportunities for promoting EE, the development of curricula, developing strategies for the implementation of curricula, work closely with the education system including local government schools, designing and conducting teacher training programmes, and developing innovative teaching and learning aids to improve foundational learning.

Last date to apply: 12th Nov 2017

Project details:

Position: We invite applications from suitable candidates for the position of Programme Officer in the Environmental Education programme at Dakshin Foundation. While this is a long-term position, we will initially offer a one-year contract to the successful candidate which will be renewed depending on the performance of the candidates. This position demands that the candidate be a highly self-motivated, independent, creative and enterprising individual who will fulfil and exceed the following responsibilities of this position:

1. Work with a team to develop effective strategies and support systems to address challenges in the education sector, including curriculum development
2. Design and conduct teacher training workshops in relation to environmental education
3. Develop and implement teaching and learning aids which strengthen foundational learning of students
4. Raise grants and oversee execution of projects

The initial year is also an opportunity for the successful candidate to carve out a niche for themselves in the sector, playing to their strengths and interests. Dakshin will provide the candidate with a platform to experiment with ideas and push their boundaries in terms of creativity and problem-solving.

Location: The position will be based out of the Dakshin Foundation office in Bangalore.

Candidates must possess the following basic qualifications/skills:

- A Master's degree in any discipline, with 3 years of relevant experience
- Demonstrable experience working on issues related to education and learning in Indian schools.
- Experience with fund raising activities and writing grant proposals.
- Ability to work with a range of social groups and local institutions in rural settings.
- Ability to independently facilitate meetings and attention to detail and planning.
- Proven record of team and project management
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English.
- Written and spoken proficiency in English and spoken proficiency in Hindi

Candidates with the following additional qualifications/skills will be preferred:

- Candidates with a B.Ed./M.Ed
- Work experience in the education sector, specifically in content development
- Working knowledge of environmental and conservation related issues

Remuneration: Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and work, in line with our internal scales.

How to apply:

- * Submit a complete CV along with a cover letter (not exceeding one page) clearly conveying why you consider yourself a suitable candidate for this position.
- * Provide the names of two referees along with their contact details in the CV.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Last date to apply is **Nov 12th 2017**. This position will be filled as soon as a suitable candidate is identified; interested individuals are therefore requested to apply immediately. Short listed candidates will be invited for a personal interview in the **fourth week of November**.

Please email your application to Marianne Manuel at apply.dakshinfoundation@gmail.com

About us:

Dakshin Foundation is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation based at Bangalore, India, with field offices and interventions across the coastline of India and in its oceanic islands. Our mission is to inform and advocate conservation and natural resource management, while promoting and supporting sustainable livelihoods, social development and environmental justice. To learn more about our interventions and research projects please take a look at our website, www.dakshin.org.

Dakshin's work in education and awareness can be encompassed within two broad categories of work. In the first instance, we carry out focused projects in conjunction with opportunities and requirements arising from our field research and advocacy projects. The second category of our initiatives addresses the broader issue of education in the areas where we work. Our approach is to devise strategies that enable learning in a way that fosters a connection between the child and the place in which the child lives. This involves not only curriculum development, but a range of activities such as capacity building for teachers and local schools, and inputs into fundamental learning.