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# Recruitment for TB Nutrition Project in Palghar District

The Foundation for Medical Research (FMR), a Public Trust and a well-recognised national research organisation (SIRO), conducts basic biomedical, translational and public health research in the areas of infectious disease, especially tuberculosis (TB), environmental and community health.

The Foundation invites applications from motivated candidates for an upcoming project on TB nutrition for a duration of 3 years. The project is a nutrition intervention project to be conducted in tribal blocks of Palghar district, Maharashtra and will assess the effectiveness of the intervention in improving the nutritional and health outcomes of TB patients through clinical, anthropometric, dietary, and biomarker data collection. The project also involves the development and implementation of nutrition education programs to patient families and communities.

#### 1. Site Coordinator – 1 Position

### **Educational Qualification:**

Master's in Public Health/Nutrition/Social Work (MSW), or related field with a minimum of 3 years of experience working in a Tuberculosis program coordination or conducting field-based research studies. Working knowledge of spoken and written Marathi is essential.

## Desirable:

- 1. Experience in coordinating with district health departments.
- 2. Familiarity with handling survey data, especially electronically collected data

Remuneration: Upto  $\Box 90,000$  per month (commensurate to experience)

# Job Description:

- Responsible for day-to-day field activity management in the Palghar region.
- Supervise and coordinate ration distribution, data transfers, and patient identification.
- Liaise with the district officials, TB Facility and health centres.

- Manage, support and train field teams.
- Oversee screening, consenting, data collection, and patient follow-up efforts.
- Ensure timely reporting and communication with project headquarters.

Place of Posting: Jawahar-Palghar, Maharashtra

#### 2. Field Researchers – 6 Positions

Educational Qualification:

Bachelor's with 3 years of experience or Master's in Nutrition, Social Work (BSW/MSW), or related field. Working knowledge of spoken and written Marathi is essential

## Desirable:

- 1. Experience in conducting community-based surveys
- 2. Ability to report data in English

Remuneration: Up to  $\Box 45,000$  per month (commensurate to experience)

# Job Description:

- Conduct field-based patient measurements and interviews for data collection.
- Travel to patient villages to reach patients for data collection
- Assist in monitoring the nutritional and treatment progress of TB patients.
- Maintain field records and ensure ethical data handling.
- Coordinate with Site Coordinator for logistics and daily operations.
- Participate in community engagement activities

Place of Posting: Jawahar- Palghar with extensive travel to villages across Jawhar, Mokhada and Vikramgad.

#### 3. Field Worker – 3 Positions

# **Educational Qualification:**

Minimum tenth pass or have a diploma degree with experience in community or survey-based projects or a Bachelor's degree in a relevant field. Working knowledge of spoken and written Marathi is essential

# Desirable:

1. Certification or experience in phlebotomy will be preferred.

Remuneration: Up to  $\Box 35,000$  per month (commensurate to experience)

# Job Description:

- Patient screening and consent
- Assist field researchers with community mobilisation and follow-up.
- Support the team in ensuring consistent patient contact and documentation.
- Help with coordination during ration distribution and health education sessions.
- Maintain communication with local public health centres and community stakeholders.
- Collect biological samples, if trained in phlebotomy.

Place of Posting: Jawahar-Palghar with extensive travel to villages across Jawhar, Mokhada and Vikramgad

Note applicable for all positions: Preference will be given to candidates who own a two-wheeler and possess a valid driving license, as field travel is a must. Selection will be on purely merit basis.

Interested candidates may apply with their CV and relevant documents to <u>fmrmum@gmail.com</u> before 14<sup>th</sup> May 2025. Only shortlisted candidates will be called for the interview.