CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF PUNJAB, BATHINDA

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Advt. No: PRO – 358 (2026)
Dated: 30/10/2026

PROJECT RECRUITMENT NOTICE

Applications in the prescribed format are invited for the following project positions on a short-term basis:

Title of the Project : **"Maternal and Child Health Determinants of Autism Spectrum Disorder: Integrated Screening of Prenatal, Perinatal, and Genetic Risk Factors"**

Funding Agency : DBT- Advanced state-level Biotech hub, New Delhi
DST- Technology Enabling Centre.

NUMBER OF POSITIONS, ELIGIBILITY AND JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE POSITIONS

NAME OF THE POST: PROJECT ASSISTANT			
1.	No. of Posts	:	1 **(ONE)**
2.	Emoluments	:	₹ 8,000/- (As per University norms)
3.	Term of engagement:	:	Initially for (6) Six Months, extendable up to the duration of the project based on performance and availability of the fund.
4.	Essential Qualification	:	Master's degree in any one of the following disciplines: (M.Sc., Community Medicine/M.Sc., Public Health/M.Sc. Biotechnology/Medicine/ M. Pharm. and any other relevant/allied subject.
5.	Desirable Qualification	:	• Project Assistant selection will be prioritized based on the requirements of the proposed project, and the candidate should possess a Master's degree in any one of the following disciplines: (M.Sc., Community Medicine/M.Sc., Public Health/M.Sc. Biotechnology/Medicine/ M. Pharm. and any other relevant/allied subject. • Project Assistant consideration priority should be given to the PhD candidates who do not have a fellowship under my guidance (or/else), the selected Project Assistant may be considered to register their PhD in the same institution as the Principal Investigator to continue the above-mentioned project. • The selected Project Assistant shall not accept or hold any appointment, paid or otherwise or receive any

			emoluments, salary, stipend, etc. from any other source during the tenure of this appointment. • Selected Project Assistant may be subjected to travel to Mizoram for sample collection and analysis purposes he/she should have basic experience in basic cell culture techniques.
6.	Experience Required	:	Minimum Two Years Research Experience with atleast one research paper in SCI journals
7	Age	:	Up to 35 years as on date of interview (Relaxation in age is permissible for 5 years for SC/ST/Physically Handicapped/Female candidates and 3 years for OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates as per Government of India rules)

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applications in prescribed format may be sent to the Principal Investigator on email ID mahalaxmi.balachandar@cup.edu.in on or before the date of the interview. Further, applicants need to bring application forms along with testimonials during the interview.

DATE OF INTERVIEW : 12th November, 2026
Reporting Time: 11:00 AM

Venue : Department of Community Medicine and Health, Aryabhata Academic Block, Central University of Punjab, VPO Ghudda, Distt. Bathinda

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. The abovementioned post(s) is/are purely temporary for a limited period or duration of the Research Project funded by the funding agency.

2. Only shortlisted candidates shall be called for interaction cum interview through email.

3. Applicants shall be required to show the original documents at the time of interaction cum interview, and/or joining

4. No T.A/D.A. or any other allowances will be paid for attending the interaction cum interview.

5. The University reserves the right to withdraw this advertisement or increase/decrease the number of posts at any time without assigning any reason.

6. The right is also reserved with the University either to fill or not to fill the vacancies. The decision of the Competent Authority of the university in this regard shall be final.

7. Suppression of factual information, supply of fake documents, providing false or misleading information or any other undesirable action by the candidate shall lead to cancellation of his /her candidature. In case, it is detected at any point of time in future even after engagement that the candidate was not eligible as per the prescribed

qualification, experience etc. which could not be detected at the time of Test/Interaction cum Interview due to whatever circumstances, his/her engagement shall be liable to be terminated forthwith as per this clause and also based on his/her undertaking.

8. The rules and regulations of CUPB and the funding agency will be applicable to the selected candidates.

FOR MORE DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT:

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PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR