



**Project Associate Position in the School of Social Sciences  
National Institute of Advanced Studies  
IISc Campus, Bengaluru**

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**About the Project:**

**Vocational skill policy, dropout reduction and employability among adolescent youth : A study in Odisha and Assam**

The policy of vocational skill education seeks to integrate vocational skills with school education by providing horizontal and vertical mobility to aspiring students. The policy envisages its implementation in close partnership with school, industry and training institutes. This suggests that if suitable quality vocational skills are provided at secondary stage, a majority of adolescent youth will have an opportunity to complete secondary schooling successfully and enter the job market. The project envisages conducting field survey interactions with the primary target groups on the following broad objectives: i) ways in which vocational skill education can become an important sector to understand linkages between schooling, dropout reduction, employability, livelihood and new pedagogies; ii) identify specific student vocational skill aspirations, and iii) interaction and liaisoning with key stakeholders.

**Title of the Position:** Project Associate (One position)

**Qualifications & Experience Required:**

Post-graduation in **Sociology/Economics/ Social Work/Political Science**. Post graduate students with previous working experience in the field or having B.El.Ed/M.Ed degree would be given preference.

**Mode of Application:**

Interested applicants should submit their curriculum vitae electronically along with the following documents as a single PDF document:

1. Covering letter
2. Statement of Purpose
3. Copy of degree certificate

The deadline for receiving applications is 15th October, 2021. Short-listed candidates will be invited to NIAS for interview.

Salary would commensurate with qualifications and experience and comparable to other premier institutions in the country.

The application should be addressed to:

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