

Policy Action for Panchayati Raj Enhancement

Ministry of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Government of Himachal Pradesh in Collaboration with Dyal Singh Evening College, Delhi University

Requirement for Research Coordinators and Interns

Dyal Singh Evening College, University of Delhi in collaboration with the **Ministry of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Government of Himachal Pradesh** is initiating a meticulously designed pilot study to delve into the intricacies of Panchayat development. By employing a multi-pronged approach of design thinking and systems practice the study aims to illuminate critical impediments hindering progress and unveil innovative solutions facilitated by Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and philanthropic funding channels.

The pilot study aims to identify policy problems and subsequent positive solutions for Panchayat development through Institutional Philanthropic funding. The scope of our study does not include the administration or distribution of funds. Our objective is to provide research-based insights and recommendations, leaving the funding aspects to be managed by the Department of Panchayati Raj according to their internal rules and regulations. (The funds raised through CSR and philanthropic channels will be channeled directly to the Department of Panchayati Raj, Government of Himachal Pradesh, which will manage and allocate the funds in accordance with its internal policies and regulations.)

Objective

- To embark on a comprehensive research endeavor encompassing five strategically selected Panchayats. This in-depth examination will serve to identify and characterize the most salient issues and challenges currently obstructing effective Panchayat development.
- To meticulously explore the potential for leveraging CSR and philanthropic funding mechanisms to implement efficacious solutions. These funding streams will be channeled directly to the esteemed Department of Panchayati Raj.
- To formulate a robust set of recommendations designed to bolster the efficacy of policy implementation within the Panchayati Raj system.

Activities by Research Coordinators (not below the rank of Assistant Professor)

1. Framing research design
2. Framing final solutions to be recommended

Activities by Interns (must have completed at least 4 semester)

1. Data collection under faculty supervision
2. Data cleaning under faculty supervision
3. Data Analysis under faculty supervision

Deliverables

1. Report to be submitted to the Ministry of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Government of Himachal Pradesh by Dyal Singh Evening College.
2. Research Papers to be published by faculty member to disseminate knowledge throughout the assignment
3. Assisting the Department of Panchayati Raj in implementing the solutions so recommended after due consultation with the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

Areas of Research

1. Finance Commission of Himachal Pradesh
2. Devolution of power to Panchayati Raj
3. Gram Panchayat Development Plan
4. Economic Development under the Panchayati Raj
5. E-Governance
6. Panchayati Raj Election in Himachal Pradesh

Panchayats to be covered

District	Block	Gram Panchayat
Sirmaur	Nahan	Nahan
Sirmaur	Ponta Sahib	Majra
Solan	Kunihar	Barog Hanuman
Solan	Nalagarh	Diggal
Shimla	Theog	Deha

All people engaged in the project will be given due credit by both the parties concerned. (Due remuneration will be given. Travel and accommodation along with daily allowance would be taken care of, in case of field visit)

Selection Process

Interested candidates can mail their CV to vincentjayspaul@gmail.com or principal@dsce.du.ac.in latest by August 9, 2024. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an online interview.