CSIR-Traditional Knowledge Digital Library Unit (CSIR-TKDL Unit)
14, Satsang Vihar Marg
New Delhi – 110067

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The CSIR-Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (CSIR-TKDL) Unit is a constituent of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), an autonomous body with the Department of Scientific & Industrial Research (Ministry of Science and Technology). The CSIR-TKDL Unit is engaged in protection and preservation of India's vast traditional knowledge present in ancient texts by digitizing the information into modern languages in structured format. The key objective is averting the misappropriation of Indian traditional knowledge through the wrong acquisition of intellectual property rights.

CSIR-TKDL Unit invites eligible Indian Citizens who meet the necessary educational and work associated requirements for walk-in-interview for engagement as project manpower under the project, "***The Importance of Traditional Wisdom: Environmental Consciousness in Vedic and other literature and its Relevance for Modern Climate Strategies*** **(GAP-000001)**" being implemented at the Unit. The engagement is purely temporary, time-bound and on contract basis. The engagement is maximum up to 15th January 2027 and co-terminus with the project duration. The location of the project activities shall be New Delhi. Details of post name, code, position(s) and eligibility are as under:

Post Name & Code	**No of Position(s)***	**Reporting Date & Time**
Project Associate-I (PAT-I) (Forestry & Ecology) **Code: TKEE01**	01	12 November 2026 9:30 AM – 10: 30 AM
Project Associate-I (PAT-I) (Environmental Sciences) **Code: TKEE02**	01	12 November 2026 9:30 AM– 10:30 AM

***** A panel of waitlisted candidates (in order of merit) will be constituted to fill vacancies that may arise in near future. Such panel will be valid until project completion.

Eligibility:

Post Code TKEE01: PAT-I (Forestry & Ecology)

Essential Qualification: Master's/Integrated Master's Degree in Natural Sciences or Forestry/Ecology or related fields from recognized University or equivalent.

Desirable Qualification: Experience in field surveys, resource mapping, monitoring ecological indicators, development of conservation and management strategies for natural resources.

Job Description: Data compilation, to establish correlation between traditional knowledge on agriculture, forestry and ecology, and modern sciences/contemporary practices and assistance in report preparation.

Post Code TKEE02: PAT-I (Environmental Sciences)

Essential Qualification: Masters/Integrated Master's Degree in Environmental Sciences/ Environmental Management/ Environmental Studies/Environmental Engineering from recognized University or equivalent.

Desirable Qualification: Experience in handling environmental monitoring /climate change related project activities will be preferred.

Job Description: To establish correlation between traditional knowledge and modern sciences/contemporary practices to mitigate arising environmental challenges.

Project Associate-I (PAT-I)

(i) Rs. 31,000/-+ HRA for those candidates who have qualified CSIR UGC/ICAR/ ICMR/ NET incl. lectureship/assistant professorship or GATE **OR** those who have qualified National Level examinations conducted by Central Government Departments like DBT/DST or equivalent and/or their Agencies/Institutions.

(ii) Rs. 25,000/-+HRA for others who do not fall under (i) above

Age Limit: 35 years. The age limit is relaxable for candidates of reserved/statutory category as per CSIR/Govt. of India rules on the subject.

General Instructions:

1. The Project Associate position(s) is on a contract basis and will be up to 15th January 2027 only or co – terminus with the Project duration. However, in any case, under no circumstances the tenure of project personnel(s) who have worked with CSIR-TKDL Unit or any other laboratories /Institutes of the CSIR under one project or combination of different projects would be allowed to exceed beyond six-year duration.
2. Candidates are required to report for interview with duly filled application in prescribed format (copy attached), and bring all certificates in original and, a set of self-attested photocopies of the same, in support of age, qualification and experience for verification. Incomplete application in any form will be rejected.
3. The Upper age limit shall be calculated as on the date of the interview.
4. Only those candidates who have acquired the essential qualification & result has been declared (should have at least a provisional certificate) are eligible to appear in the walk-in-interview.
5. Result awaited /final semester appeared candidates are not eligible to appear in the walk-in-interview for the position where such minimum essential qualification requirement is mandatory.
6. Experience, where required, will be counted from the date after acquiring the essential minimum educational qualification. Dissertation/thesis work conducted during the academic period will not be counted as experience.
7. The period of experience rendered by a candidate Part - time, daily wages, visiting/ guest faculty etc. will not be counted while calculating the valid experience for short listing the candidates for interview.

8. Time spent in acquiring minimum higher qualification will not be counted as an experience over essential qualification.
9. Mere fulfilling of minimum qualification does not confer any right to a candidate for selection.
10. No upgradation of the project staff shall be done in the same or any new project.
11. CSIR–TKDL Unit reserves the right to cancel or withdraw the offer of engagement in case of any discrepancy of any empanelled candidate at any stage.
12. The selected candidate is expected to join within the timeframe mentioned in the offer letter from the date of receiving the offer of appointment, after completion of appointment formalities like medical examination and character verification, etc.
13. No claim for the permanent position shall be entertained.
14. Other terms & conditions will be governed as per guidelines issued by the funding agency/ CSIR-TKDL, Unit for the engagement of the project staff and as amended from time to time.
15. **Candidates should be present in-person at CSIR-TKDL Unit, 14, Satsang Vihar Marg, Qutub Institutional Area, New Delhi – 110067 for Walk-in interview on November 12, 2026.**
16. The candidates must carry with them original certificates/testimonials for verification, in support of age, qualification, marks obtained, experience, if any, etc.
17. If currently employed, then the candidate will have to furnish No-Objection Certificate from the current employer at the time of interview.

Note:

1. Candidature will be purely provisional subject to fulfilling the eligibility criteria.
2. No TA/DA will be paid for attending the Interview.
3. Tenure of engagement of the Project Staff shall be co-terminus with the project. In any case, under no circumstances the tenure (inclusive of all CSIR postings) would be allowed to exceed six years duration. The performance of the Project Staff would be reviewed periodically so that one not found up to the mark, could be terminated without assigning any reason.
4. The engagement of Project Staff is purely on contract basis in respect of the above positions therefore will confer no rights on the candidates, whatsoever, implicitly and/or explicitly for their continuation beyond tenure/absorption /regularization in CSIR. Contract may be terminated at any time at a notice of one month from either side or one-month stipend in lieu thereof.
5. House rent allowance or HRA payable shall be as per the extant Government of India rules as applicable to CSIR employees.
6. Age relaxation (SC/ST/OBC/PwD/woman) will be applicable as per CSIR /Govt. of India rules, guidelines on the subject..

7. Head, CSIR-TKDL Unit reserves the right to increase/decrease the number of positions and also cancel the engagement process for the position(s) mentioned above at any stage of the engagement process.
8. The decision of the Head, CSIR-TKDL Unit will be final and binding for engagement of above position(s).
9. **Canvassing in any form will render the candidate disqualified**.

Candidates who fulfil the above criteria are invited for the walk-in interview with duly filled form available at www.csir.res.in

For any query please contact
Telephone: 011-26851136, Email: tkdlsupport@csir.res.in

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APPLICATION FOR WALK IN INTERVIEW FOR ENGAGEMENT AS PROJECT ASSOCIATES

Adv. No. **Post Name:**

Post Code: **Level:**

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Personal details:

1. Full Name:
2. Mother's Name:
3. Father's Name:
4. Date of Birth: Age as on closing date of application:
5. Category: Whether PWD?:
6. Are you eligible for age relaxation? (if yes please enclose certificate): YES/NO
7. Are you a citizen of India by Birth or Domicile?:
8. Place of Birth:
9. Gender:
10. Communication Address: _____ _____Pin Code:_____ Phone/ Mobile No:_____Email ID:_____
11. Relative(s) in CSIR: Name:_____Designation:_____ Address:_____ _____
12. GATE/NET/JRF Qualification:_____
13. Educational Qualification: (From high school or equivalent onwards):

Degree	Board/University	Awarded Date	Division	% of Marks	Main Subjects

14. Research/Work Experience:

From	To	Post Held	Org. Name, Place	Salary Drawn	Nature of Work

DECLARATION

I hereby declare that:

a. I shall abide by the terms and conditions given in the advertisement that it is a contractual engagement on purely temporary basis, co-terminus with the completion of project under any case.
b. It would therefore not confer any right/claim, implicit for consideration of regularisation/absorption against any CSIR/CSIR-TKDL/any other Ministry's post.
c. I declare that I have completed ……..Years……Months……Days and have not completed the maximum tenure of six years till date as project staff in CSIR-TKDL and other CSIR Laboratories.
d. I have never been debarred by any organisation for any illegal activity during my education/service.
e. I further declare that the above particulars are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information found false/incorrect/suppressed or any ineligibility being detected before or after the interview/selection, my candidature is liable to be cancelled and appropriate action can be taken against me at any stage. No correspondence will be entertained by CSIR-TKDL Unit in this regard.

Place:

Date: **(Signature of Candidate)**