



Indian Institute of Technology Gandhinagar

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Applications are invited for the following temporary position in a research project “Curiosity to aid learning and motivation in schools” at IIT Gandhinagar.

Name of the Post: Research Associate

Consolidated Monthly Pay: 25000/- (Consolidated)

Minimum Qualification: Masters Degree in Cognitive Science or Psychology

Skills: Knowledge of basic research methods and statistical analysis

Duration: Six Month

Interested candidates should send their complete resume by email to jmanjaly@iitgn.ac.in on or before **October 5, 2019**. Shortlisted candidates will be called for interview at IIT Gandhinagar campus.

Project Description

In India, a third of the dropouts in the age group 10 – 14 cite ‘lack of motivation in class’ as a reason for discontinuing school. Education surveys over the last decade indicate that learning outcomes in Indian schools are poor, and have not improved substantially over the years.

Among the many reasons for low learning levels and high dropout rates, a lack of excitement and curiosity in the classrooms appears to be an essential factor. This project aims to improve the motivation to learn, and thereby student performance, by inducing curiosity through micro-level behavioral intervention. To achieve this, we investigate the cognitive and social factors that affect curiosity and develop curiosity-inducing nudges to be used in classrooms

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