

Job Description	
<b>JOB TITLE</b>	Research Assistant
<b>REPORTING TO</b>	Program Head Nutrition
<b>LOCATION</b>	New Delhi
<b>OPEN ENDED / FIXED TERM (Duration)</b>	1 year
<b>FULLTIME EQUIVALENT</b>	1 FTE
<b>JOB FAMILY</b>	Research
<b>CAREER STEP</b>	Foundation

### About The George Institute

The George Institute for Global Health was established in 1999 with a mission to improve the health of millions of people worldwide, particularly underserved populations, by challenging the status quo and using innovative approaches to prevent and treat the world's biggest killers: non-communicable diseases and injury.

With offices in Australia, China, India and the UK, our 700+ people support 245+ active projects and clinical trials across 50+ countries, with 400+ more staff across our social enterprises. We focus on the global health challenges that cause the greatest loss of life, the greatest impairment of life quality and the most substantial economic burden, particularly in resource-poor settings.

Together with our academic partners, UNSW Sydney in Australia, Manipal Academy of Higher Education in India and Imperial College London in the United Kingdom, we work with a global network of collaborators, undertaking clinical, population and health systems research.

Our experts are among the most cited globally, bestowed accolades for excellence and innovation, and regularly participate in policy fora. Our research is published in leading academic journals, referenced in policy documents, and recognised for its excellence, innovation and impact. We are designated a WHO Collaborating Centre (WHO CC) for Injury Prevention & Trauma Care, and a WHO CC for Population Salt Reduction. Since 1999, we have raised more than \$1 billion for research and produced over 10,000 peer-reviewed publications and other academic outputs.

### What we do

- Lead world-class, large-scale clinical trials, epidemiological studies and health systems research to transform treatments and healthcare delivery
- Look beyond single diseases, across the life course, to identify patient-centred approaches to care that can be implemented at scale
- Develop low-cost, innovative solutions to global unmet needs
- Drive our global impact through a program of research, advocacy, thought leadership and disruptive social entrepreneurship

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## The George Institute India

The George Institute, a wholly owned legal not-for-profit Indian research institute, has been conducting research related activities in India since 2002. The George Institute India's mission mirrors that of the parent organization, namely the discovery and implementation of solutions to chronic and disabling health problems through research, policy development and capacity building.

A number of large-scale projects in population, health systems and clinical research, funded by a diverse group of sponsors, both public and private, are conducted in India. The George Institute India comprises two distinct operating groups: Research and Development, and Infrastructure and Resources. It has two separate offices - in Hyderabad and New Delhi, where the research staff and senior management are based.

### Context and Role

TGI has recently been awarded a team science grant titled “ChAracterizing, Reviving, Supporting, Monitoring and MAnaging Sustainable food systems to address malnutrition in indigenous tribal communities of India- **CARISMMA** sustainable food system study”. The study aims to explore food systems (production, processing, distribution, procurement, and consumption of food) of traditional indigenous communities of Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, and Meghalaya, to understand their sustainability and role in addressing malnutrition. A set of tools will be developed for assessing the food systems, the nutritive value of foods therein, and the impact of climate change, socio-ecological and demographic transitions on them. The resulting changes in nutritional status of cohorts within these communities will be analysed over a longitudinal time frame. In one tribal community of Jharkhand, the feasibility and effectiveness of a composite, eco-friendly intervention to revive indigenous food systems (production, processing, distribution, and consumption) and addressing malnutrition will be rolled out while co-producing the intervention utilizing traditional ecological knowledge of the community.

Research Assistant will be engaged in this multi-institutional and multi-centric study, who will be mainly responsible for supporting the core team in development of important study documents, coordinating with the field team for data collection and assisting in preparation of reports, manuals of procedures, and manuscripts.

### Reporting Relationships

Directly reports to Program Head Nutrition

Leads and manages a team of field supervisors

### Duties and Key Responsibilities

The Research Assistant would be expected to:

- Support the core team in protocol development for food systems and nutrition research component
- Support the core team in development of study tools and manual of procedures for food systems and nutrition research component
- Provide support in conducting and coordinating workshops for training of the core team on tools for agro-ecological process evaluation

- Pilot the study tools for food systems and nutrition research component
- Supporting the SRF in periodic reports
- Provide support in qualitative and quantitative data collection
- Coordinate and supervise the field team at 1 field site

***As a Team Member:***

- Participate in workshops and team meetings
- Supervise the field staff for smooth implementation of the project
- Take responsibility for personal learning and development and for setting achievable and meaningful work objectives and managing personal targets, meeting obligations of the Institute's Performance Management and Development Policy;
- Demonstrate commitment to GI's values, including performing to an exceptionally high ethical standard and focus on integrity, collaboration and teamwork in all efforts.

***Work, Health and Safety***

- Comply with GI's *Work Health and Safety Policy* and related procedures, and similar policies which apply when visiting the premises of affiliates and collaborating sites.
- Promote and contribute to a safe, secure environment for staff and visitors.

***Skills, Knowledge and Experience***

- Qualifications: Masters in Food and Nutrition with 0-1 year of experience
- Experience of field coordination, strong writing skills for preparing reports and manuscripts
- Demonstrated capability to produce outcomes and achieve objectives within agreed time periods;
- Strong focus on producing the highest quality of work and on ensuring optimum accuracy of outputs;
- Well organised and efficient, with the capacity to work under pressure;

**How to apply:**

Interested candidates should send their resume with full contact details, current and expected CTC/salary. Clearly mentioning the job title <Research Assistant> in the subject line to [hrindia@georgeinstitute.org.in](mailto:hrindia@georgeinstitute.org.in) by the 18 June 2023

*Our big and bold mission to improve the health of millions of people worldwide needs a diverse and innovative team to deliver it. So we foster a dynamic, inclusive and flexible workplace where each individual can bring their best selves to work.*

*Everyone is encouraged to apply, including people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, people with a disability, people of all gender identities and sexual orientations, and mature-aged adults.*