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VACANCY CIRCULAR

The Centre for Urban Studies (CUS) established in 1966 at the Indian Institute of Public Administration invites applications by **17 August 2026** for the following **contractual position for a period of one year in CUS**. Qualified candidates are encouraged to apply and contribute to advancing scholarly work in urban studies.

Name of Position	Senior Research Officer (SRO)
No. of Posts:	02
Duration of contract:	One year on contract extendable on yearly basis subject to performance review and approval. Maximum period of contract is three years
Age Limit:	Candidates should be below 35 years of age as on the date of advertisement.
Education Qualification:	• Master's Degree in Economics, Applied Economics, Urban Planning, or a closely related discipline, with at least 55% marks from a recognized university or institution. • Ph.D. in any field relevant to Urban Studies. • Candidates who have submitted their Ph.D. thesis are also eligible to apply.
Experience:	Desirable • Substantial research experience in one or more of the following areas: (a) Urban Planning, Development, and Policy, (b) Municipal Finance, (c) Urban Transport, (d) Urban Poverty and Social Issues, (e) Urban Law, or (f) Urban Disaster Risk Reduction. • Strong understanding of quantitative and qualitative research methodologies. • Experience in policy analytics, and/or evidence-based evaluation frameworks. • Proficiency in the latest statistical, econometric, and analytical software/tools such as EViews, Gretl, Julia, MATLAB, Power BI, Python, R, Stata, SPSS, Tableau, etc. • Experience in handling large datasets, AI-assisted research tools, and survey analytics. • Strong report writing and stakeholder coordination skills. • Experience in drafting government grade policy reports, research papers, and published reports. • Good communication, presentation, and coordination skills in a multi-cultural environment. • Ability to work independently and in multidisciplinary teams.
Consolidated Remuneration (per month)	Rs. 90,000/- p.m. (all inclusive) an annual increment up to 10% (per cent) of the prevailing monthly remuneration.

General Conditions:

1. The above positions are purely contractual and temporary in nature.
2. The selected candidates may be required to travel for project-related activities, field visits, stakeholder consultations, workshops, and meetings.
3. The Institute reserves the right to increase/decrease the number of positions or modify the eligibility criteria at any stage.
4. Mere fulfilment of eligibility criteria shall not confer any right for shortlisting/interview.
5. Only shortlisted candidates will be informed regarding the interview/test through email.

Application Process:

Interested candidates may submit their updated CV along with self-attested copies of educational qualifications, experience certificates, publications/reports (if any), and supporting documents through email at: admniipa@gmail.com and cus@iipa.eduaction on or before **August 17, 2026**.

Shortlisted candidates will be informed about the date and time of the interview (which could be virtual) by email.