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Internship Policy of ICCR

Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), an autonomous body under Ministry of External Affairs, engaged in formulation and implementation of policies and programmes pertaining to India's external cultural relations to foster and strengthen cultural relations and mutual understanding between India and other countries and to promote cultural exchanges with other countries and people, invites application from eligible candidates for internships at ICCR, New Delhi and its Regional Offices in Mumbai, Pune, Kolkata, Guwahati, Ahmadabad and Hyderabad. The details of Internship are as under:

Internship Programme:

The internship programme will provide an opportunity for the officers of the ICCR to interact with young thinking minds with brilliant academic record from reputed institutions. Ideas from budding scholars will prove to be of importance to ICCR and at the same time, the internship programme will also provide the interns with an excellent opportunity to familiarise themselves with role of soft power in foreign policy formulation in Government of India. These 'Interns' shall be given exposure to various Sections with ICCR and would be expected to supplement the process of analysis in various fields including creative writing, cultural mapping, technology upgradation in EGIT, creating a module for performing and visual art, historical cultural linkages of India with other countries and the use of Social Media in Cultural Diplomacy. It aims at active participation in the learning process through experimentation and putting into practice the knowledge acquired in the classrooms. For large benefit of the student community and with a view to enrich the management/ implementation of its various schemes/ programmes, ICCR has decided to notify this 'Internship Policy', to provide a framework for engagement of Interns for a limited period. The internship programme includes attachment with one of the Divisions in ICCR. In addition, the internship programme at ICCR Headquarters shall



include – A briefing session with DG, DDGs and Head of various Divisions.

Eligibility:

Internships at ICCR Headquarters and Regional Offices shall be open to Indian citizens with a minimum educational qualification of graduation in Humanities, Mass Communication, Journalism, Designing, Anthropology, History, Art, Archaeology Science, Languages, Museology and Fine Arts and a maximum age of 25 years as on 31st December of the year of Internship. PG/Research students and foreign language students can also apply. Research scholars with formal background in International Relations and soft power projection will be given preference depending upon the requirement of ICCR. The intern should have excellent academic track-record and should preferably be from any recognized University of India. The candidates with the highest marks are most likely to be called for Personal Interview.

The internship programme will neither be a job nor any such assurance for the job in ICCR.

Intake and Duration:

A maximum of 15 interns will be engaged by ICCR during the course of a year. Each intern will be engaged for a maximum period of four months.

Declaration of secrecy:

Interns are required to furnish to ICCR a declaration of secrecy before the commencement of the internship. Verification and vetting from security angle has to be completed on basis of personal particulars submitted by the intern, after the selection process and before the actual internship programme commences.

Logistics support:

Necessary logistic support will be provided to the intern taking into account the functional requirements.

Obligation of the Intern:

The internship programme provides an introduction to the process of formulation of soft power diplomacy and its implementation by ICCR.

