Job Title: Research Associate (Data) (position - 1)

Location: New Delhi

Duration: 1 year

The **Urban Outcomes Framework 2022 has been jointly launched** by Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), and the Institute for Competitiveness (IFC) making it accessible to all urban stakeholders in the Government, academic institutions, citizenry and industry- the 'quadruple helix'.

Under this context, NIUA, on behalf of MoHUA is conducting the third round of Ease of Living index (EoLI) and Municipal Performance Index (MPI). The central objective of this recurring exercise is to generate a robust database so that time series analysis and progress tracking can be conducted in order to achieve aspired social and economic progress through generating data that will drive evidence-based policymaking.

The exercise focuses on collecting data across sectors such as Demography, Economy, Economy, Education, Energy, Finance, Governance and ICT, Health, Housing, Mobility, Planning, Safety and Security, Solid Waste Management, and Water and Sanitation. The initiative aims to democratise the cities and strengthen transparency and citizen-centric governance.

The ideal candidate must have a demonstrable interest in issues relating to urban policy, planning, public policy, development studies. They must have prior experience working on projects in the urban sector.

Key Responsibilities

- Effective stakeholder management and coordination with MoHUA, ULBs, Parastatal Agencies, SPVs and other Partner Agencies.
- Quantitative and qualitative research pertaining to addressing the gaps in urban policy, planning and governance.
- Will have to work efficiently in creating data frameworks and monitoring dashboards
- Contribute to the preparation of reports, analyses and reviews under EOL, MPI and related urban indices
- Organizing and managing capacity building workshops and supporting the logistics
- Contribute to writing evidence-based reports, articles, brochures, newsletters, and updates of the website, & social media pertaining to the program
- Support the Team Leader in reporting, monitoring and evaluation requirements

Required Qualification, Experience and Competencies

Necessary

- Post Graduate qualification in Statistics/Econometrics/Data Science or any other relevant discipline from a reputed University / Institute.
- 2-4 years of experience preferably in the urban sector
- Experience in large-scale city level data collection, data management, data analysis and reporting

- Ability to interact with a variety of stakeholders including government officials, private sector, civil society institutions and research institutions.
- Proficient working knowledge of MS Excel and MS Word
- Knowledge of statistical software such as R and Stata. Python is an added advantage
- Excellent written and verbal communications and presentation skills, including the ability to speak persuasively and to present ideas clearly and concisely to authorities;
- Ability to work flexibly on a range of assignments showcasing strong teamwork and collaboration and adjust to a variety of complex and evolving tasks to meet deadlines

Desirable
- Prior experience of working in the urban sector or relevant development sector experience
- Prior experience in working with Central/State/City Government(s)
- Understanding of inter-disciplinary research approaches
- Understanding of open databases
- Early joining is an added advantage

Term of position: The position is on a contractual basis from **June 2022 to June 2023**, which may be further extended subject to performance and program timelines

Remuneration: Based on current salary, skills and experiences. Salary slips of past 3 months will be required if shortlisted for the interview round.

Application Deadline: May 21, 2022 (Saturday) EOD

Interested Applicants may send in their CVs to procurement@niua.org