

# **NATIONAL CENTRE FOR CELL SCIENCE, PUNE**

**(An autonomous Institution of the Department of Biotechnology, Government of India)**  
**NCCS Complex, Savitribai Phule Pune University Campus, Ganeshkhind, Pune - 411007,**  
**Maharashtra, India**

**Advt. No. NCCS/Project Management Cell/P01/2026**

## **WALK-IN INTERVIEWS FOR DIFFERENT PROJECT POSITIONS ON EXTRAMURAL PROJECTS**

### **IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS**

The candidates fulfilling the requirements as per the essential qualifications and appearing for the Walk-In-Interview must report at 09.30 am sharp on the interview day at the address given below. They should register their names in the register, kept at the Security Gate.

Address: National Centre for Cell Science, NCCS Complex,  
Savitribai Phule Pune University Campus,  
Ganeshkhind Road Pune - 411007,  
Maharashtra State, India.

**INTERVIEW DATE: 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2026.**

**CANDIDATES REPORTING AFTER 09.30 AM WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO  
ATTEND THE INTERVIEW, WHICH MAY PLEASE BE NOTED.**

In case the number of candidates appearing for the interview is large the interviews will continue **8<sup>th</sup> April, 2026.**

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The National Centre for Cell Science (NCCS) is an autonomous institution of Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science & Technology, Government of India, for a mandate of basic research, teaching & training, and as a national repository for cell lines/hybridomas etc. The Centre is located in the midst of academically enriched environment of Savitribai Phule Pune University Campus, Pune. NCCS invites applications for following posts on various extramural projects purely on temporary basis.

<b>Sr. No.:</b>	01
<b>Name of the Post:</b>	Project Associate - I
<b>Number of posts:</b>	<b>01 (One)</b>
<b>Name of the Project:</b>	VAPB at membrane contact sites: ALS-FTD at the crossroads of ER stress, proteostasis, lipid homeostasis and inflammation.
<b>Name of the PI:</b>	Dr. Gaurav Das
<b>Essential Qualification &amp; Experience:</b>	Master's Degree in Natural or Agricultural Sciences / MVSc or bachelor's degree in Engineering or Technology or Medicine from a recognized University or equivalent.
<b>Desirable Experience:</b>	Experience in model system biology (Fly, Worm etc...) or some background in computation, programming, or bioinformatics.
<b>Project Tenure:</b>	Up to 28/02/2029
<b>Total Monthly Emoluments:</b>	<p>i. Rs. 31,000/- + HRA to Scholars who are selected through</p> <p>(a) National Eligibility Tests – CSIR-UGC NET including lectureship (Assistant Professorship) or GATE or</p> <p>(b) A selection process through National level examinations conducted by Central Government Departments and their Agencies and Institutions.</p> <p>ii. Rs. 25,000/- + HRA for others who do not fall under (i) above.</p>
<b>Age limit:</b>	Not more than 35 years as on date of Interview.

<b>Sr. No.:</b>	02
<b>Name of the Post:</b>	Project Research Scientist – II (Non-Medical)
<b>Number of posts:</b>	<b>01 (One)</b>
<b>Name of the Project:</b>	Reactivation of clathrin-mediated endocytosis as an effective strategy for Niemann Pick disease enzyme replacement therapy.
<b>Name of the PI:</b>	Dr. Umasankar K. Perunthottathu
<b>Essential Qualification &amp; Experience:</b>	<p>Post Graduate Degree*, including the integrated PG degrees, with three years post qualification Experience.  *(Microbiology / Life Sciences /Biotechnology / Biomedical Science/Biochemistry/Plant Biology/Animal Biology)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>PhD in any branch of Life Sciences</p> <p><b>Note:</b> As per the project requirement, the candidates holding degrees other than in the above fields will not be considered for the said project.</p>
<b>Desirable Experience:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Excellent skills in genetics, molecular biology and protein biochemistry.</li> <li>2. Experience in tissue culture, gene-editing and advanced microscopy is advantageous.</li> <li>3. Track record of high-quality research in the form of peer reviewed publications, competitive fellowships etc.</li> <li>4. Prior postdoctoral research experience in reputed research laboratories is desirable.</li> </ol>
<b>Project Tenure:</b>	Up to 04.02.2027 (extendable for two more years subjected to approval by the funding agency)
<b>Total Monthly Emoluments:</b>	Rs. 67,000/- + HRA
<b>Age limit:</b>	Not more than 40 years as on date of Interview.

<b>Sr. No.:</b>	03
<b>Name of the Post:</b>	Project Technical Support - III
<b>Number of posts:</b>	<b>01 (One)</b>
<b>Name of the Project:</b>	Reactivation of clathrin-mediated endocytosis as an effective strategy for Niemann Pick disease enzyme replacement therapy.
<b>Name of the PI:</b>	Dr. Umasankar K. Perunthottathu
<b>Essential Qualification &amp; Experience:</b>	<p>Three Years Graduate degree* in relevant subject / field + three Years post qualification experience  *(Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/ Microbiology/ Life Sciences/ Biomedical Science)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>PG in relevant subject/field*  *(Biotechnology/Biochemistry/ Microbiology/ Life Sciences/ Biomedical Science)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> As per the project requirement, the candidates holding degrees other than in the above fields will not be considered for the said project.</p>
<b>Desirable Experience:</b>	Experience in handling mammalian cell culture, PCR, cloning, expression and purification of recombinant proteins, western blot, immunofluorescence, cell-based assays etc.
<b>Project Tenure:</b>	Up to 04.02.2027 (extendable for two more years subjected to approval by the funding agency)
<b>Total Monthly Emoluments:</b>	Rs. 28,000/- + HRA
<b>Age limit:</b>	Not more than 35 years as on date of Interview.

<b>Sr. No.:</b>	04
<b>Name of the Post:</b>	Project Associate - I
<b>Number of posts:</b>	<b>01 (One)</b>
<b>Name of the Project:</b>	Feathered Bioreactors: Leveraging CRISPR Technology to Produce Human Monoclonal Antibodies in Chimeric Chicken Eggs.
<b>Name of the PI:</b>	Dr. Akanksha Chaturvedi
<b>Essential Qualification &amp; Experience:</b>	Four years Bachelor's Degree in Natural or Agricultural Sciences/Master's Degree in Natural or Agricultural Sciences/BVSc. /B. Pharm or Bachelor's degree in Engineering or Technology or Medicine from a recognized university or equivalent.
<b>Desirable Experience:</b>	Experience in molecular biology, ELISA, mice handling and all culture is required. Animal handling is desirable not essential.
<b>Project Tenure:</b>	Up to 05.08.2028
<b>Total Monthly Emoluments:</b>	<p>i. Rs. 37,000/- + HRA to Scholars who are selected through</p> <p>(a) National Eligibility Tests – CSIR-UGC NET including Lectureship (Assistant Professorship) or GATE or</p> <p>(b) A selection process through National level examinations conducted by Central Government Departments and their Agencies and Institutions.</p> <p>ii. Rs. 30,000/- + HRA for others who do not fall under (i) above.</p>
<b>Age limit:</b>	Not more than 50 years as on date of Interview.

<b>Sr. No.:</b>	05
<b>Name of the Post:</b>	Junior Research Fellow (JRF)
<b>Number of posts:</b>	<b>01 (One)</b>
<b>Name of the Project:</b>	Understanding the molecular mechanism of biogenesis of lysosome-related organelles using the Tetrahymena thermophila model system.
<b>Name of the PI:</b>	Dr. Santosh Kumar
<b>Essential Qualification &amp; Experience:</b>	<p>Post Graduate Degree in Basic Science or Graduate / Post Graduate Degree in Professional Course selected through a process described through any one of the following:</p> <p>A. Scholars who are selected through National Eligibility Tests – CSIR-UGC NET including lectureship (Assistant Professorship) and/or GATE.</p> <p>B. The selection process through National Level examinations conducted by Central Government Departments and their Agencies and Institutions such as DST, DBT, DAE, DOS, DRDO, MoE, ICAR, ICMR, IIT, IISc, IISER, NISER etc.</p>
<b>Desirable Experience:</b>	<p>Candidate should have some experience with the following techniques:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cell culture handling and subcellular fractionation of organelles.</li> <li>2. Protein purification using Affinity &amp; gel-exclusion chromatography.</li> <li>3. <i>In-vivo</i> and <i>In-vitro</i> protein–protein interaction and western blotting.</li> <li>4. Gene cloning and RT-PCR.</li> </ol>
<b>Project Tenure:</b>	Up to 31/08/2028
<b>Total Monthly Emoluments:</b>	Rs. 31,000/- + HRA (Enhancement of fellowship subjected to DBT approval)
<b>Age limit:</b>	Not more than 28 years as on date of Interview.

<b>Sr. No.:</b>	06
<b>Name of the Post:</b>	Project Technical Support - III
<b>Number of posts:</b>	<b>01 (One)</b>
<b>Name of the Project:</b>	Repurposing cAMP-PKA pathway modifier drugs for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease.
<b>Name of the PI:</b>	Dr. Indrajit Sahu
<b>Essential Qualification &amp; Experience:</b>	<p>Three years Graduate degree* in relevant subject / field + Three years post qualification experience  *(Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/ Microbiology/ Life Sciences/ Biomedical Science)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>OR</b></p> <p>PG in relevant subject/field*  *(Biotechnology/Biochemistry/ Microbiology/ Life Sciences/ Biomedical Science)</p> <p><b>Note:</b> As per the project requirement, the candidates holding degrees other than in the above fields will not be considered for the said project.</p>
<b>Desirable Experience:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Experience in handling mammalian cell culture, western blot, immunofluorescence, protein biochemistry and cell-based assays.</li> <li>2. Experience in Mass spectrometry-based proteomic data analysis and proteomic-based sample preparation.</li> <li>3. Work experience in Drosophila model system would be preferred.</li> </ol>
<b>Project Tenure:</b>	Up to 04.02.2027 (extendable for two more years subjected to approval by the funding agency)
<b>Total Monthly Emoluments:</b>	Rs. 28,000/- + HRA
<b>Age limit:</b>	Not more than 35 years as on date of Interview.

## **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

### **WALK IN INTERVIEW DATE:**

Walk-in interviews are scheduled to be held from 9.30 am to 06.00 pm on 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2026. In case of more candidates appear for the interview on 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2026, 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2026 will be kept as a back-up date.

**Please note that no new candidate applications will be accepted or considered for evaluation for interviews on 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2026.** This date is reserved strictly as backup day in case of any spill over from the main interview day, which is 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2026.

### **Important:**

1. NCCS will not be providing any accommodation. Candidates are advised to make their own travel and lodging arrangements in advance.
2. Under no circumstances will the requests for online interviews be considered in place of Walk-in interviews. Such email requests will not be addressed at all.

**Kindly bring the Application form duly filled in along with hard copies of the original documents and one set of self-attested hard copies mentioned below: (No soft copies will be acceptable)**

1. Application form duly filled. (Available below the Advertisement)
2. Copy of Aadhaar will not be considered as a proof of citizenship or date of birth as per Government Order.
3. List of acceptable documents as a proof of date of birth as per attached annexure. (Please see Annexure A)
4. Recent passport size colour photograph.
5. Essential qualifying Final / Provisional Degree certificate as per the advertisement.
6. Caste Certificate, Latest/valid non-creamy layer certificate, if applicable.
7. Work experience certificates, if applicable.
8. Copies of NET/GATE/National Level examinations conducted by Central Government Departments and their Agencies and Institutions such as DST, DBT, DAE, DOS, DRDO, MoE, ICAR, ICMR, IIT, IISc, IISER, NISER, etc and other relevant documents, if applicable.

In case of selection, and upon offer, the letter of joining will only be accepted after due verification of the original documents in person, failing which, the offer will be cancelled.

**The duration of offer will be determined based on fund availability.**

### **Other important Points:**

1. The Director (Additional Charge), NCCS reserves the right to cancel the recruitment process, if required.
2. The prescribed educational essential qualifications and experience are the bare minimum and mere possession of same does not entitle candidates to be called for the Interviews. The Centre reserves the right to call for Interviews only those candidates who in its opinion are likely to be suitable.

3. All the experience gained shall be preferably from the Govt. Organisations or from an institution of repute. Experience should have been gained after acquiring the minimum essential qualification.
4. Candidates not having Final / Provisional Degree certificate as per the Essential qualification signed by the Institutional/ University Competent authority are not eligible to apply.
5. The above advertised positions are filled up purely on temporary basis for the limited time on the extramural projects funded by various funding agencies. The position will automatically co-terminus on the completion of the candidate's tenure. The appointed person shall have no claim of appointment/absorption in funding agency or in NCCS, Pune.
6. Fellowship/Emoluments: Emoluments to the research personnel engaged under project will be made in accordance with the sanction order issued by the funding agency.
7. Age relaxation will be considered as on the date of interview. Age relaxation will be 5 years in case of Women/SC/ST/PH candidates and 3 years in case of OBC candidates as per Government of India rules. OBC candidates must produce latest/valid non-creamy layer certificate.
8. No TA/DA will be admissible for attending the interview.
9. Canvassing in any form and/or bringing in any influence will be treated as disqualification for the post.
10. The posts advertised shall be need based without any commitment for its filling.
11. Corrigendum/addendum/further information, if any, in respect of this advertisement, will be published on BRIC-NCCS website only. Hence, the candidates are advised to see the website of BRIC-NCCS regularly for further updates related to this advertisement.
12. Selected candidates will have to join duty within 15 days of the receipt of offer of appointment.

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**In Charge**

**Project Management Cell, NCCS**



**Annexure A (for Proof of date of Birth)**

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