Name of the Project: Saksham

Pramaan Name of the post: Field

Consultant Project Details:

Saksham (which means "making capable") is a project of the TISS funded by the Global Fund since 2008 to support the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in its fight against HIV and TB in partnership with the National AIDS Control Programme (NACP). The NACO has awarded Saksham Pramaan a project for undertaking Programmatic and Targeted Intervention (TI) and Link Workers Schemes (LWS) evaluation under NACP across India. As one of the components of the Saksham Pramaan project, programmatic evaluation research studies will be conducted. 'Stigma and Discrimination' and 'Treat all' are some program interventions to be evaluated in its mid-term program evaluation. India has been working with international partners to rapidly scale up testing and treatment services to reach the 95-95-95 goals. Hence, it is worth examining the gaps in HIV case detection and retention, which is very crucial for the success of the 'Treat all' policy.

We are inviting applications of eligible candidates for the empanelment for 1 year up to March 2027 to undertake consultancy work for,

> *(i)* *Qualitative and quantitative data collection work in various parts of the country*
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> *(ii)* *Translation and/or translation-transcription work (audio files) from various Indian languages to English and vice versa*
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> *(iii)* *Data coding and thematic analysis*

1. **Description of roles & responsibilities:**

   A. **Competencies required for (i) Data collection**

   a. Minimum 3-5 years of experience in the field of HIV/AIDS or Public-health/Social Sciences
   b. Experience in data collection, probing, and note-taking.
   c. Conducting Focused Group Discussions (FGDs), Key Informants Interviews (KII), In-Depth Interviews, and survey questionnaires.
   d. Essential: Master's degree and PhD is desirable in public health**/**population sciences, social sciences, or relevant disciplines**.**
   e. Practicing doctors, professors, and post-graduate students from medical and allied colleges, will be considered an added advantage.

   B. **Competencies required for (ii) Translation and/or Translation-transcription**

   a. Minimum 3-5 years of experience in the field of HIV/AIDS/Public-health/Social Sciences

   b. Experience in translation and/or translation-transcription from various languages to English and vice versa.

   c. Essential: Master's degree and PhD is desirable in public health**/**population sciences, social sciences, or relevant disciplines**.**

C. **Competencies required for (iii)** *Data coding and thematic analysis*

    a. Minimum 3-5 years of experience in the field of HIV/AIDS/Public-health/Social Sciences

    b. Research work experience in examining qualitative data, coding, identifying themes and concepts etc.

    c. Essential: Master's degree and PhD is desirable in public health**/**population sciences, social sciences, or relevant disciplines**.**

D. **States and Languages:**

We are looking for consultants from below mentioned states, preferably from respective states, for various research studies. They should be able to speak, understand, and read the local languages of the respective states.

States: Punjab, Mizoram, Nagaland, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Tamilnadu, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, J& K, Meghalaya, Goa, West Bengal, Chattisgarh, Gujarat, Assam

Languages: For *translation-transcription work (audio files), consultants from languages of the mentioned states to English and vice versa*

E. **Modalities:**

    a. Engagement for data collection varies between 3 days (minimum) to 20 days (maximum) at a stretch.

    b. Engagement for translation and/or translation- transcription data collection varies between 7 days (minimum) to 30 days (maximum) at a stretch.

    c. Selected individuals will be empanelled for one year based on a contract letter in the first instance which will be signed between the institution and the consultant. Further extensions will be considered based on fulfilling the eligibility criteria and satisfactory completion of assignments.

    d. Detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) will be provided for individual assignments on a case-by-case basis.

Application Link: https://forms.gle/tYu4kPewL6jHunFa8

Last Date: 10th March 2026

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