Applications on prescribed Application Form are invited from eligible candidates of Indian Nationality for the temporary position of Project Associate I/JRF in the DBT funded research project entitled “Germplasm characterization and trait discovery in wheat using genomic approaches and its integration for improving climate resilience, productivity and nutritional quality” in the School of Biotechnology. The details of the research position are given below:

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| Project Associate | One          | Rs. 31000 + HRA per month | M.Sc. Ag. (Plant Breeding and Genetics/Plant Physiology/Seed Science & Technology)/ M.Sc. in Biotechnology | - NET in concerned subject  
- Field-based crop data collection experience* only |

*For non-NET/GATE candidates, the monthly salary will be Rs. 25000 + HRA

*Relevant experience of collection of morphological data or field crops will be considered only. Other (non-relevant) experience will not be considered. The experience should be reflected through publications/thesis/experience letter.

Roles and responsibilities of the Project Associate I/JRF are given below:
- Preparation of germplasm for sowing of irrigated and non-irrigated experimental field
- Field-based extensive screening of more than 1000 germplasm lines for various parameters of drought. Scoring of reflectance-based parameters of drought in the experimental field for GWAS studies
- Digitalization of field data for submission to ICAR-NBPGR, New Delhi
- Making genetic crosses using drought tolerant lines at off-season sites as well

Terms and Conditions for the research position are as under:-
- The position shall be purely on contract basis and co-terminus with the research project.
- No legal right to claim regularization/appointment by absorption or otherwise against any regular post in the University. Prior notice of one month is essential in case of relinquishing the post.
- Initially, the appointment is for one year only. The extension (annually) may be granted subject to satisfactory performance of the appointee.
- Eligible candidates will be informed about the date, time and venue of interview separately.
- No TA/DA shall be paid for attending the interview.
- Application Form available at SKUAST-Jammu website (www.skuast.org)
- Applicants can contact Principal Investigator at rssandev@gmail.com for more details about the research position/project.

The application should reach the office of Dr. Ravinder Singh, Principal Investigator, Wheat Network Project, School of Biotechnology, SKUAST-Jammu, Main Campus Chattha, Jammu-180009 (J&K) along with attested copies of supporting documents on or before 15-09-2023 by registered/speed post.

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(Principal Investigator)