

Call for Applications | Research Associates (1) and Field Investigator (6) - Project Ability Empowerment | Contractual Basis

The Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Punjab invites applications from eligible candidates for the positions of Research Associate, Research Assistant and Field Investigator on a contractual basis. The engagement of the Research Associates and Research Assistants shall be full-time for a period of six months. The engagement of the Field Investigator shall be full-time for a period of three months.

About the Project

Project Ability Empowerment is a nationwide initiative mandated by the Supreme Court of India to monitor and assess the implementation of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016, across all care institutions for persons with cognitive disabilities. Led by eight National Law Universities, the project undertakes comprehensive research to evaluate legal, constitutional, and infrastructural adherence concerning autonomy, inclusion, and dignity for persons with disabilities. RGNUL Punjab's mandate covers the State of Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Leh, Jammu and Kashmir.

The research will be a comprehensive monitoring and data collation exercise that goes beyond just the physical and infrastructural conditions of the institutions. It aims to assess the extent to which these institutions adhere to the broader legal and constitutional commitments of autonomy, inclusion, and dignity for persons with disabilities.

Positions and Qualifications*

Post	No. of Positions	Essential Qualifications	Consolidated Remuneration
Research Associate	01 (One) Period: 6 Months**	1. Master's degree in Law/social sciences/Data Science or allied disciplines with a minimum of 55% marks from a recognised University. 2. Minimum 2 years' experience in data collection and interpretation.	Rs. 50,000/- per month
Field Investigators	6 (Six): One each from Punjab, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, UT of J&K & Ladakh Period: 1 month initially	Master's Degree in Law/Social Sciences/Humanities/Management with minimum 55% marks	Rs. 25,000/- each (One time)

**Qualification/Experience maybe exempted as per Policy Decision*

*** time period may be extended in case of need.*

Desirable Qualifications

- Strong research and analytical skills;
- Proficiency in data analysis tools;
- Excellent communication skills (written and verbal);
- Ability to work independently and as part of a research team; and
- Previous research experience.

Application Procedure

- Interested candidates must submit the application with self-attested copies of all relevant documents (educational qualifications, age proof, experience certificates, and ID proof). The applications should contain a CV. Mail the relevant Documents on projectability@rgnul.ac.in
- Last date for receiving applications: April 30, 2026, up to 5:00 PM through google form:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxQ3PstILsq7sK6puNWEXt6odl60Fp5OlehFdBkeLe92EWwA/viewform?usp=publish-editor>
- Incomplete applications or those received after the due date will be summarily rejected.

General Instructions & Selection Process

- Applicants must ensure their eligibility before applying.
- No TA/DA will be paid for attending the written test/interview.
- The University reserves the right to modify/cancel the recruitment process at any stage without assigning any reason.
- Corrigendum/addendum, if any, will be published only on the University website (www.rgnul.ac.in).

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