

Transforming M-ward Project, Tata Institute of Social Sciences

Vacancy for Programme Coordinator and Community Facilitator – Justice First: Community- Embedded Energy Transition Planning for Climate Resilience

Sr. NO	Position Title	No. of Position	Duration	Salary
1	Programme Coordinator	1	12 Months	55000 pm
2	Community Facilitator	1	12 Months	40000 pm

About Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS):

The Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), established in the year 1936, is a Deemed to be University, funded by the University Grants Commission, Govt of India. TISS is a Grade I University with NAAC score of 3.89/4 and NIRF 2022 rank of 60 among Indian Universities in and It has campuses at Mumbai, Tuljapur, Guwahati and Hyderabad, TISS offers over 50 Post Graduate programmes, 18 Doctoral programmes, and Under Graduate programmes in Social Science and Skill Education.

Freedom and autonomy shape the positive work ethos and culture of the Institute and facilitate strong linkages between teaching, research, field action and policy engagement. The Institute encourages and supports researchers to engage in foundational, applied, field and action-oriented research, and it also nurtures research collaborations nationally and internationally, with a commitment to creating a just society through education, generation of knowledge and field action initiatives.

About the Project

The transforming M Ward project was conceptualized and executed by key faculty members of Tata Institute of Social Science (TISS). It was initiated as a response to the Human Development Report 2009 which flagged few crucial findings on M ward. According to a report, M ward is the most vulnerable ward of Mumbai city. A team of TISS faculty decided there is a need to do interventions as well as initiate a transformative approach with multiple stakeholder partnership. The purpose of this project is to promote as well as provide educational support to students belonging from vulnerable communities.

In the current situation, about 160-180 students visit **M-Power Library and Study Centre** daily. Most of them are preparing for Public Service Exams like UPSC and MPSC. Few are preparing for exams like Railway Recruitments Board Exams, Bank PO Exams, etc. Some are pursuing diploma, graduation (in science, commerce and arts stream) and post-graduation

courses. In addition to M- Power Library, this field action project also undertakes activities and interventions in partnership with CBOs, Community leaders and NGO partners.

Roles and Responsibilities of Programme Coordinator:

1. Research and Scoping for engagement in M ward in the context of Energy Transition and its Socio Economic.
2. Literature review and documentation of intersectionality of energy, justice, climate change, indigeneity in reference to trajectory of M-east ward.
3. Developing and Executing frameworks, methodology and methods to create understanding of energy transition in M-ward.
4. Documentation of case studies on energy culture in M-Ward.
5. Development of knowledge products for various stakeholders.
6. Writing reports and papers for the research project.
7. Community mobilization and engagement.
8. Communication across the project.
9. Overall management and strategizing for the project.

Location : Mumbai

Roles and Responsibilities of Community Facilitator:

1. Planning for Community Mobilization and Engagement.
2. Conducting participatory research activities, meetings with stakeholders and Focus Group Discussions with the community.
3. Conducting Community engagement activities.
4. Identifying Local leaders and experts of selected sites in M-Ward to support the project.
5. Creating knowledge products for various stakeholders.
6. Dissemination of the knowledge products for the community.
7. Documentation and Reporting of all field activities.
8. Overall management of the fieldwork for the project.

Location : Mumbai

Essential Qualifications for Programme Coordinator

- Master's degree in Regulatory Policy and Governance, Urban Policy and Governance, Social Work, Disaster Management, Public Health, Environmental Studies, Geography, or a related discipline.
- Desirable Skills and Experience in community-based risk assessment, disaster risk reduction, or participatory planning.
- Familiarity with climate change adaptation, environmental health and public health linkages.

- Prior experience in qualitative research, data collection, and analysis
- Strong coordination and interpersonal skills for engaging with local institutions and communities.
- Knowledge of GIS and remote sensing

Essential Qualifications for Community Facilitators:

The candidate must have a Graduate qualification in social work (B.A. in Social Work/MSW) from Central/Deemed/State-Recognised University.

Prior experience of building relationships and working with any community as required by the projects goals is must

Expertise over: English, Hindi, Marath

Type of Contract: Temporary / Project staff

The selected candidate will be required to undertake any additional work related to the Project as assigned by the Project Leader.

To Apply:

Candidates interested in applying for the position may write to Mpower <mpower@tiss.ac.in> with a one-page statement of purpose and an updated CV. Please mention 'Application for Post name' in the subject line of your email.

Last date for receipt of applications: 09.06.2026

Date of Interview: Shall be communicated only to shortlisted candidates.

Please note: This is a project-based position. Extension of contract is based on project requirement and availability of funding.