



## **RESEARCH ASSISTANTS REQUIRED**

The Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE) has launched a multi-year competitive grants programme for policy-oriented research in Pakistan titled 'Research for Social Transformation and Advancement' (RASTA) under the Public Sector Development Program (PSDP) of the Ministry of Planning, Development & Special Initiatives, the Government of Pakistan. The RASTA's mission is to develop a high-quality research network of academia and think tanks across Pakistan producing high-quality, evidence-based policy research to inform Pakistan's public policy process.

A number of research projects funded by RASTA programme require services of RESEARCH ASSISTANTS on contractual basis, for short period (3-6 months), on reasonable remuneration packages (PKR 25k-50k). RASTA is inviting applications for these project-based assignments to create a pool of applicants facilitating the Principal Investigators of numerous social sciences research studies across Pakistan. This initiative does not only offer income opportunities for the youth, but also provides learning experience for the graduates/post-graduate students to work closely with experienced researchers conducting research on public policy issues in Pakistan.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

- Graduate degree in economics, public policy, social science, political science, business studies, behavioural studies, public administration or related discipline from HEC recognized university. Enrolled postgraduate university students can also apply for these positions.
- Applicants with experience in data collection, data analysis, report writing, and presentation will be given preference.
- Strong ability to articulate and able to confidently represent an organization/project PI.
- Applicants' willingness to travel across Pakistan will be an added value.
- Excellent communication, interpersonal and coordination skills are desirable.
- Willing to take on added responsibility as per the requirements of the organization/project PI.

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

- To apply for the position, please use the online job application form available at PIDE's website <https://pide.org.pk/rasta/jobs/>. Also please upload a Cover Letter detailing why you should be considered for this position.
- There is no fee to apply for this job opportunity and there is no need to send a hard copy to RASTA PMU.
- RASTA will share your profiles with the relevant Principal Investigators, if and when requested.
- The PIs may contact you directly to evaluate your profile and suitability for the project assignment.
- Only shortlisted applicants will be called for interview.

*RASTA is an equal opportunity programme which welcomes applications from qualified individuals all over the country. We are committed to achieving diversity in terms of gender, regions, religion and culture, as the diversity of RASTA's applicants, awardees and staff is critical to its success.*

#### **PROJECT DIRECTOR**

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