



**TAMILNADU FOREST DEPARTMENT
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Notification No.01/2026

Requirement of Senior Research Fellow (One Position), for carrying out the Project Nilgiri Tahr works in entire Nilgiri Tahr habitat across Tamil Nadu state on contractual basis.

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Recruitment of one position of Senior Research Fellow on contractual basis for the Project Nilgiri Tahr, Coimbatore office which is the nodal office for implementing the activities of the Project Nilgiri Tahr. **This position is purely on a temporary basis (Eligible for Indian Nationals only).** Interested candidates may apply online. Details of the vacancy and application procedures are given below.

Tamil Nadu Forest Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, invites applications from Indian Nationals for a contractual position of Senior Research Fellow for carrying out the project related activities under Project on Nilgiri Tahr. The candidate with experience on working on mountain ecosystem, or larger ungulates would be given preference. The candidate should be physically fit to trek in the higher elevation mountain and willing to stay in forest with minimum basic facilities. The details of the essential qualifications, last date are given below and monthly remuneration are given in **Annexure – I.**

The last date of receipt of completed application forms along with supporting documents is **05.02.2026 upto 5.00 PM.** The duly filled in application with necessary essential documents should be sent by hard copy to the below signed authority by post preferably or email to E-mail: projectnilgiritahr@gmail.com.

**Sd /- M.G.Ganesan
Project Director (FAC)
Project Nilgiri Tahr
Coimbatore**

/True Copy/ By order/


**Junior Assistant
Project Nilgiri Tahr**

GENERAL TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Age limit for Senior Research Fellow is 30 years as on **05.02.2026** However, the upper age limit may be relaxed up to 5 years in the case of candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC and Women applicants as per Government of Tamil Nadu norms.
2. Application should be in the prescribed format, duly signed and should be accompanied by self-attested copies of documents on educations qualification, research experience, extracurricular activities, date of birth, mark sheets of all examinations, community certificate (if seeking relaxation as per Government of Tamil Nadu rules) etc.
3. The Forest Department will not provide accommodation and no TA/DA will be paid to the candidates appearing for the personal interview. The interview will be in either online or physical mode.
4. At the time of the verification of original documents or even after selection, if it is found that an attempt has been made by the applicant to willfully conceal, misrepresent the facts or canvass, such application will be rejected, and due action will be taken against the candidate.
5. The application form can be downloaded from the Tamil Nadu Forest Department website <http://forests.tn.nic.in> or <https://tnprojectnilgiritahr.com/notification/> or <https://www.aiwc.res.in/>
6. The date and time of the personal interview will be intimated individually by email to the shortlisted candidates.
7. The candidates who score equivalent marks, the senior person in terms of the Date of Birth shall be given priority.
8. The Project Director, Project Nilgiri Tahr, Coimbatore reserves the right to reject any candidates in view of incomplete information provided by the candidate or for any other reason thereof.
9. The applicant should be cautious against touts and agents who may cheat, by making false promises of securing jobs through unfair means.
10. The Forest Department shall not be responsible or liable for any loss that, may be caused to any applicant on account of including in any sort of dealings with such unscrupulous elements.
11. Selected candidates are expected to join IMMEDIATELY as the projects have very strict timelines.

ANNEXURE – I

| Project Name | | Project Nilgiri Tahr | | | |
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| Sl. No & Code | Name of the Post | Educational Qualification | Maximum Age Limit | Age Relaxation | Monthly Remuneration |
| SRF-I | Senior Research Fellow (One Position) on contractual basis (Project based position) | <p>M.Sc. Degree in Wildlife biology/Wildlife science/Wildlife studies/Wildlife ecology/Zoology/Forestry/Wildlife biology and conservation/ M.V.Sc.in Wildlife science</p> <p>Or</p> <p>B.V.Sc. degree with Post Graduate Diploma in Advanced Wildlife Management or Postgraduate Diploma in Wild Animal Disease Management</p> <p>Essential Qualification:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. M.Sc. Degree in Wildlife biology/Wildlife science/Wildlife studies/Wildlife ecology/Zoology/Forestry/Wildlife biology and conservation/M.V.Sc.in Wildlife science (Or) B.V.Sc. degree with Post Graduate Diploma in Advanced Wildlife Management or Postgraduate Diploma in Wild Animal Disease Management. 2. Minimum One years of research experience in wildlife management, translocation of wild life, Spatial data analysis, GIS experience, Research in wildlife, field works, publication of research and management plan preparation. 3. Candidate should have a proven record of 01 published research articles peer reviewed journals. 4. Working experience in Nilgiri Tahr would be given preference. 5. Independent research planning, execution, designing of research methodology, work experience in wildlife and habitat study. 6. Knowledge about forest ecosystems especially mountain ecosystems 7. Knowledge on R and other statistical software related. 8. Good in oral presentations and writing skills. 9. Very good physical endurance and should stay in the forest and wildlife areas to work in the mountain environment. 10. Fluency in Tamil language is preferable. 11. Should know accounting, technical report preparation about projects, | 30 years | The Upper age limit may be relaxed up to 5 years for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/BC and Women Category | Consolidated pay of Rs.35,000/- per month. |

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| | <p>annual reports preparation, newsletter preparation, digital documents preparation, photoshop software.</p> <p>12. Possess knowledge in computer data management, good experience in software.</p> <p>13. Should work dedicatedly for minimum 25 days in a month in the field or forests.</p> <p>14. Two-Wheeler is must with driving license.</p> <p>Desirable Qualifications:</p> <p>15. Should have typing skill.</p> <p>16. Should have knowledge on research paper corrections, collaboration with different institutions, MoD preparation, guiding interns and researchers.</p> <p>Description of Work:</p> <p>17. SRF should stay and work in Srivilliputhur-Megalalai Tiger Reserve, Srivilliputhur, Madurai, Theni areas and also should work entire Western Ghats as per requirement.</p> <p>18. Planning and execution of the project by coordinating with Research Organizations, District Administration and local communities.</p> <p>19. Financial and logistics management, conducting meetings, workshops data analysis, preparation of reports and organize capacity building trainings.</p> <p>20. Should work dedicatedly for awareness on Nilgiri Tahr and wild animals</p> <p>21. Flora and fauna samples collections, monitoring of same, making good quality interpretation with experts, conducting different special days program, arranging official program with higher officials etc.</p> <p>22. Maintaining report compilation, digital documentation, digitization of reports.</p> | | |
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 20/1/26
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PROJECT NILGIRI TAHR APPLICATION FORM

1. Post Code:

2. Post:

3. Project Name:

4. Notification No.:

Category: General/SC/ST/OBC/Physically Handicapped, please indicate _____

1. Name of the applicant: _____

A. Present Postal Address with Pin Code

*Please affix a recent
passport size photograph*

Phone/Fax # _____

E mail _____

B. Permanent Residential Address with Pin Code _____

Phone/Fax # _____

e-mail _____

2. Date of birth _____ Age in years (as on 1st June 2023) _____

3. If belonging to SC/ST/BC/MBC, please enclose _____.

a photocopy of the original caste certificate issued by competent authorities must be attached.

4 (a). Academic Achievements: Enclose the necessary documents (Compulsory)

| S. No. | Examination passed | Year | University | Major Subjects | Percentage of Marks |
|--------|--------------------|------|------------|----------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Higher Secondary | | | | |
| 2 | Bachelor's Degree | | | | |
| 3 | Master's Degree | | | | |
| 4 | Ph.D. Degree | | | | |

Creative Achievement (State briefly your biodata as a research worker/giving details of research papers, participation in seminars, symposiums, Conferences, etc.). Furnish this information in a separate sheet.

5. Have you received any scholarship/fellowship before applying for this award? (*If so, please give its source, value, period, and details of work done under that award*) _____

| Name of the Scholarship | Awarding Agency | Period | | Amount |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--------|----|--------|
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6. Employment held so far (*up to date*): Enclose the necessary documents (Compulsory)

| Name of the Employer | Position held | Period | | Emoluments per month |
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7. Research publications, the title of the publication, year of publication, journal, etc., may be indicated (*reprints may be enclosed*). Details may be given in a separate sheet.

8. Seminar/Symposium/Workshop/Conference attended (*Documentary proof(s) may be enclosed*).

9. Extracurricular activities. (*Details may be given in a separate sheet*).

10. National Parks, Sanctuaries & Forest areas visited, and a paragraph on self-interest in the field of Wildlife Conservation & Research (*attach a separate sheet*).

11. Name, Complete Postal Address, and Phone Number of the three referees should be given below.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

12. Certified that the information furnished above is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Place:

Date:

(Signature of the Applicant)