

CAG JD: Researcher - Environment & Climate Change

About CAG

Citizen consumer and civic Action Group (CAG) is a non-profit, non-political and professional organisation that works towards protecting citizens' rights in consumer and environmental issues and promoting good governance processes including transparency, accountability and participatory decision-making.

Project description

CAG has been working on issues concerning energy and the environment for over two decades. Our work focuses on sensitising communities affected by coal-fired power plants through its entire lifecycle- from upstream processes involving import/mining and transportation of coal, and downstream processes including discharge of effluents and wastewater. To this end, the project will develop conceptual and practical frameworks to understand and gather evidence of impacts that these communities and civil society organisations can use in their campaigns for the compliance of power plants to standards prescribed by regulatory bodies.

Scope of Work

The Researcher's responsibilities will include the following:

- Engage in research and publish reports on environment and energy related issues
- Design a methodology to assess the cumulative impact of power plant clusters on the environment
- Access and analyse technical reports submitted by power companies, before and after commissioning, for adherence to prescribed standards
- Assist in developing literature for the use of civil society organisations and affected communities in their campaigns
- Assist in organizing knowledge sharing meetings and capacity building workshops

Education

Candidates should have a graduate or a post-graduate degree with specialisation in civil or environmental engineering. Graduates/post-graduates from other streams, with relevant experience and knowledge in power plant related topics, may also be considered.

Competencies

Professionalism: Knowledge and understanding of relevant concepts, approaches and public discourse

Teamwork: Works collaboratively with colleagues and partners to achieve organisational goals

Communication: Speaks and writes clearly and effectively in English and Tamil, listens to others, clearly interprets messages, openness in sharing information and keep people informed

Planning: Develops clear goals that are consistent with agreed strategies, identifies and adjusts priorities, time management, makes contingencies while planning



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Location

The position is based in Chennai with travel for field visits and conducting workshops and meetings

As a CAG employee, you can expect to

- be respected for who you are;
- be recognised and rewarded on ability and merit for your contributions;
- learn a wide range of skills in research, communications, finance, information and communication technology;
- be encouraged and supported to fulfil your potential through meaningful work that matters;
- work with great colleagues who are smart, mission-driven, and collaborative; and
- enjoy a welcoming workplace free from harassment, discrimination, and intolerance.

You would be a part of a team that is notable in its efforts to influence policy, open minds, shape decisions, offer solutions, and improve lives.

Interested?

If you are interested in exploring a career with CAG, please write to Om Prakash Singh at <u>omprakash.singh@cag.org.in</u>. Please share your most recent resume, links to samples of your work, and a motivation letter explaining why you would like to work at CAG.