

**NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, DELHI**

**CENTRE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LAW, POLICY AND GOVERNANCE**

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

**POSITION:** Research Fellow – 2 posts

**ABOUT THE CENTRE**

The Centre for Constitutional Law, Policy and Governance works on foregrounding rights, rightslessness, and other vulnerabilities in understanding, critiquing, and reforming laws, legal institutions, and modes of governance, so that they reflect the constitutional ideals of justice. The Centre works with governmental and non-governmental organizations on various research and policy initiatives. Recent collaborations include with the Twentieth Law Commission of India, Lawyers Collective, Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, Human Rights Law Network, Centre for Equity Studies etc. Details about the Centre and its activities can be found at: <http://nludelhi.ac.in/res-clpg.aspx>

The Centre for Constitutional Law, Policy and Governance, NLU Delhi is seeking to hire two individuals as Research Fellows for the Centre – one for the “CLPG-DAKSH Rule of Law Project” and another for “CLPG Prison Advocacy Project.” Details of the positions advertised are as follows:

**1. CLPG-DAKSH RULE OF LAW PROJECT**

**About the Project:** DAKSH ([www.dakshlegal.in](http://www.dakshlegal.in)) is working on its Rule of Law Project which studies the problem of judicial delay, particularly the pendency of cases within the Indian legal system. This project uses publically available data pertaining to court cases to build a user friendly data base. The aim of the project is to enable research and public debate on the topic of judicial delays and to identify meaningful and sustainable solutions to tackle the issue of judicial delays.

CLPG and DAKSH are collaborating on analysis of data available with DAKSH as well as other publicly available data on the Indian judiciary. CLPG and DAKSH will provide data driven inputs into debates and discourses around judicial reform in India. CLPG and DAKSH will also collaborate to make specific interventions in the field of judicial reform through other means, such as making joint proposals for research projects and funding, or by jointly undertaking to write policy reports, or by organizing conferences and colloquia, or by jointly publishing research work on the issue, etc.

**Role of the Research Fellow:** The Research Fellow will assist the Centre in undertaking research and analysis for this project. The Fellow will be expected to produce policy papers, and shorter analytical pieces on issues of judicial reform, making use of the data generated by DAKSH or otherwise available publicly. The Research Fellow may also be required to supervise the work of student researchers. As a member of a young organisation, the Fellow will be expected to also assist in other projects and activities of the Centre. Fellows will also be expected to share in institution building exercises of the Centre.

**Qualifications:** Applications are invited from interested candidates holding degrees either in law, public policy, management, economics, statistics, or allied disciplines. The candidate should have demonstrable knowledge and experience of statistical analysis, econometrics, and capacity to work with statistical software such as STATA and SPSS.

**Remuneration:** Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience, and will be in the range of Rs.40,000-Rs.50,000 per month. The position will be for a period of one year.

**Procedure for Applying:** Interested applicants are required to send the following materials to the Registrar, National Law University, Delhi at [registrarnlud@nludelhi.ac.in](mailto:registrarnlud@nludelhi.ac.in), with a copy to [clpg@nludelhi.ac.in](mailto:clpg@nludelhi.ac.in). The subject-line of the e-mail should state: Application for CLPG-DAKSH Project.

1. Curriculum Vitae
2. Contact Details of Two Referees. Referees must be informed that they may be contacted by CLPG.
3. One academic writing sample (Published or unpublished).

Shortlisted candidates may be asked for further material. Shortlisted candidates may also be called for an interview. NLU Delhi or CLPG will not cover the costs for attending the interview. The last date for receiving applications is **Friday, December 11, 2015**.

## 2. CLPG PRISON ADVOCACY PROJECT

**About the Project:** CLPG is collaborating with the Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee to work on a project which involves studying cases of undertrial incarceration in Delhi, prepare periodic reports on the status of each case, the causes of delay (if any), compliance with guidelines and laws, and availability of bail for the person. The Centre also proposes to prepare a more general report based on these cases highlighting systemic concerns and blockages in the criminal justice process, and providing suggestions for reform.

**Role of the Research Fellow:** The Research Fellow will assist the Centre in undertaking research and analysis for this project. The Fellow will coordinate with lawyers appointed by the Delhi High Court Legal Services Committee, prison officials, court staff, and student volunteers working on the project. The Fellow will assist in supervising the work of the student volunteers, and will help with report writing and other activities associated with the project. As a member of a young organisation, the Fellow will be expected to also assist in other projects and activities of the Centre. Fellows will also be expected to share in institution building exercises of the Centre.

**Qualifications:** Applications are invited from interested candidates holding a law degree. Prior experience with prison advocacy projects or criminal litigation experience is required.

**Remuneration:** The salary for this position is Rs.40,000 per month. The position will be for a period of one year.

**Procedure for Applying:** Interested applicants are required to send the following materials to the Registrar, National Law University, Delhi at [registrarnlud@nludelhi.ac.in](mailto:registrarnlud@nludelhi.ac.in), with a copy

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Shortlisted candidates may be asked for further material. Shortlisted candidates may also be called for an interview. NLU Delhi or CLPG will not cover the costs for attending the interview. The last date for receiving applications is **Friday, December 11, 2015**.

**Note:**

1. The University and CLPG reserve the right to not select any candidate for either or both of the positions.
2. Candidates applying for both positions should send separate e-mails for each position.