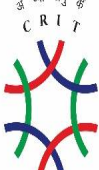


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**Date – 16.10.2026**

## ADVERTISEMENT FOR RECRUITMENT OF CONSULTANT WITH Ph.D (ON CONTRACT BASIS)

### **ABOUT THE ORGANISATION**

IIFT is a premier institution of education, training and research in the area of International Business set up by Department of Commerce, Government of India. The Centre for Research on International Trade (CRIT) which is a part of IIFT has two Centres under it with the Centre for WTO Studies being one of them.

The Centre for WTO Studies (CWS) was established at the Indian Institute of Foreign Trade in November 2002. The Centre is an independent think-tank conducting research and training programmes on the WTO and related matters. The Centre also regularly assists the Government of India in international trade negotiations, disputes and policy matters.

The Centre for WTO Studies intends to engage one **Consultant with Ph.D** (On Contract Basis) initially for a period of **1 (One) year** which can be extended after review of performance and requirement of the Centre. This position will be posted at CWS Office, NAFED House, Ashram Chowk, New Delhi.

**VACANCY: Consultant with Ph.D** (Pay: ₹ 1,45,000- 2,65,000 per month)

The candidate applying for the post should possess the following qualifications and experience:

### **Essential Qualification /Experience**

1. Must not be more than 50 years of age at the time of the recruitment.
2. Must hold a master's degree in the areas such as economics. Consistently good academic record with at least 55% (or an equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed) at bachelor's and master's levels.
3. Must have a minimum of 8 years' post-qualification experience, out of which a minimum of 3 years must be in the relevant field, for example, international trade and allied field.

4. Relevant work experience or research and studies produced in international trade, economics, economic diplomacy, international law, investment, Public policy or in a related discipline is desirable.

5. Must hold a Ph.D. degree.

### **Desirable Qualification /Experience**

- I. Candidate holding the degree in Ph.D. Agricultural Economics
- II. Agriculture negotiations in the WTO;
- III. Work relating to notifications under the Agreement on Agriculture;
- IV. Review of compliance with relevant WTO Agreements;
- V. Matters relating to the WTO Committee on Agriculture;
- VI. Preparation and coordination relating to WTO Ministerial Conferences;
- VII. Work relating to the Trade Negotiations Committee (TNC) and General Council of the WTO;
- VIII. Matters relating to India's participation in the WTO Public Forum, Inter- Parliamentary Union and other relevant international forums;
- IX. WTO-related matters concerning the G-20, OECD and World Economic Forum;
- X. Preparation of background material on important WTO issues;

**Other Skills:** The candidates should have sound knowledge of computer applications and packages [M.S. Word, M.S. Outlook, Excel, Power Point]. The candidate should have good command over English (spoken as well as written) and should have experience of research activities.

**Tenure:** The appointment will be purely on contractual basis for a period of one year with a possibility of further extension based on the performance and requirements of the Centre.

**Scale of Pay:** The Researchers shall be paid consolidated in pay bracket of **Rs. 1,45,000/- to 2,65,000/- per month** depending upon their qualification and experience and as per the order of Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry. Government of India.

### **Instructions/Guidelines**

- A candidate applying for the above position must be a citizen of India.
- Fulfilment of conditions of minimum qualification shall not necessarily entitle any applicant to be called for further process of recruitment. In case of large number of applicants, IIFT reserves the right to shortlisting applicants in any manner as may be considered appropriate and no reason of rejection shall be communicated in any case.

- The number of posts advertised is indicative, the Centre/IIFT reserved the right to not fill up the posts and may increase or decrease the number of post at any point of time
- No correspondence whatsoever will be entertained from the candidates regarding postal delays, conduct and result of interview and reason for not being called for interview.
- The documents will be verified with original testimonials at the time of interview, if the applicant is called for the interview.
- Interested and eligible candidates having the above qualifications and experience should only apply.

**The selected candidate will need to join immediately.**

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Interested Indian national's candidates that satisfy the above listed eligibility criteria are invited to apply only through the links below: The last date of the advertisement: **30<sup>th</sup> October 2026**.

Consultant (with PhD): [https://docs.iift.ac.in/recruit/solo.asp?jcode=CONSULTANT\\_OCT2026](https://docs.iift.ac.in/recruit/solo.asp?jcode=CONSULTANT_OCT2026)

The application should also clearly indicate the post applied for and specify his area of work. It must also contain details of employment of the candidate over the past years and the list of publications.

**Attachment needed C.V along with all testimonials, list of publications and last pay certificates in single pdf (specify position and name of the applicant).**

Government officers applying in response to the advertisement should also submit a letter from the appropriate authority sanctioning cadre clearance for the applicant.

Only applications received via the above links will be considered based on an evaluation of their application. Only shortlisted candidates for the second round (written test and interview) will be contacted via email in due course. The written test will assess the candidate's competence and skills in the domain of international trade, economics, economic diplomacy. It may also be noted that the outside candidates shall have to make their own arrangements for travel/stay and that the Centre shall not bear any expenditure on this account.

Details of the Bye Laws of the Centre for WTO Studies are available at the following weblink: <https://wtocentre.iift.ac.in/pdf/CRIT-%20Bye-Laws-01032023.pdf>

Sd/-  
(Gaurav Gulati)  
Registrar, IIFT