



**DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**  
**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KARNATAKA, SURATHKAL, MANGALORE-575025**

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**ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POST OF PROJECT ASSOCIATE-I**

Applications are invited from eligible Indian nationals for the position of **Project Associate-I (PA-I)** under a time-bound project sponsored by the **Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), Government of India**, to be carried out in the **Department of Computer Science and Engineering, National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), Surathkal**, in collaboration with **Indian Council of Agricultural Research-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (ICAR-CMFRI)**.

Project Title	Exploration and inventory of seamount fishery resources with a focus on cephalopod assemblage in the Indian Seas and automated characterization using Artificial Intelligence.
Funding Agency	Ministry of Earth Sciences, Govt. of India
Nature of the Position	Temporary
Name of the Post	Project Associate-I (PA-I) — One (01) Post
Essential qualification and Experience	M.E./M.Tech. <b>or</b> B.E./B.Tech. with <b>First Class</b> in Computer Science & Engineering / Information Technology / or related equivalent disciplines. Minimum <b>60% marks or 6.5 CGPA</b> from a recognized University / Institute. Good knowledge of <b>Machine Learning and Image Processing</b> .
Desired qualification and Experience	Consistently good academic record, Strong analytical skills, Proficiency in <b>Python programming</b> , Experience in implementing <b>Deep learning based projects</b> .
Ph.D. or M.Tech.(R) Opportunity	The selected PA-I candidate will be eligible to apply for admission to the <b>regular Ph.D. or M.Tech. (Research)</b> program in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, NITK Surathkal, subject to fulfilment of the respective eligibility criteria. Details are available at: <a href="https://www.nitk.ac.in/document/attachments/8954/Information_bulletin-MTech %28R%29_PhD_admissions-Dec_2025.pdf">https://www.nitk.ac.in/document/attachments/8954/Information_bulletin-MTech %28R%29_PhD_admissions-Dec_2025.pdf</a>
Consolidated monthly Fellowship	<b>₹31,000/- + HRA</b> for candidates selected through <b>CSIR-UGC NET / GATE / other national-level examinations</b> conducted by Central Government Departments, Agencies, or Institutions. <b>₹25,000/- + HRA</b> for candidates who do not fall under the above category.
Age limit	Upper age limit 35 years as on the date of advertisement
Duration	Initially for <b>one year</b> , extendable by <b>one additional year</b> based on satisfactory performance.
Place of posting : Centre/Department	<b>DISCOVER Lab</b> , Department of Computer Science and Engineering, National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal.

## How to Apply:

Interested candidates are required to:

1. Submit their details through the following **Google Form**:  
<https://forms.gle/Ku5yQrALM9RnxtLX8>
2. Send a **single PDF file** containing:
  - Detailed CV (in the prescribed format given below)
  - Scanned copy of relevant certificates, grade/mark sheets, publications (if any)by e-mail to **domproject@nitk.edu.in** on or before **28th January 2026**.
3. Send the **hard copy** of the detailed CV along with photocopy of certificates, grade/mark sheets, and publications by post to the address given below:

**Prof. Annappa B**

Principal Investigator - MoES DOM Project

Department of Computer Science and Engineering

National Institute of Technology Karnataka

Surathkal, Mangaluru, P.O. Srinivasnagar – 575025

## Selection Process:

- Shortlisted candidates will be informed via **e-mail or phone** and will be required to attend an **offline test/interview** at NITK Surathkal during **2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> February 2026**.
- Selection will be based on **qualifications, experience, and performance in the interview**.
- **NITK Surathkal reserves the right to reject any or all applications without assigning any reason.**

## General Instructions:

1. No TA/DA will be provided for attending the test/interview.
2. The appointment is purely temporary and does not confer any right to claim permanent employment at NITK Surathkal.
3. The Institute reserves the right to modify or cancel the advertisement at any stage without assigning any reason.
4. Selection will be made strictly on the basis of merit and in accordance with the applicable ANRF / DST / SERB / MoES guidelines.

## APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF PROJECT ASSOCIATE

NAME					Recent Photo
ADDRESS					
EMAIL					
PHONE(MOBILE)					
Father's/Husband's Name		Father's/Husband' Mobile No.			
Date of birth		Category (General/SC/ST/OBC-NCL)			
Gender(Male/Female)		Marital Status (Single / Married)			
Educational Qualifications					
Degree	Specialization	Name of the Institute / University	Marks/ CGPA	Class / Division	Year of passing
10 <sup>th</sup>					
12 <sup>th</sup>					
B.E. / B.Tech.					
M.E. / M.Tech.					
If any other					
GATE / NET Score					
Work experience (if any)					
Sl.no.	Duration	Organisation	Designation	Nature of work	
Publication details (if any)					
Motivation to apply for this position					

## DECLARATION

I do hereby declare that all the statements made in this application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand and agree that in the event of any information being found false / incorrect / incomplete or ineligibility being detected at any time before or after the interview / selection, my candidature / appointment may be cancelled or is liable to be rejected without any notice.

Place :

Date :

Signature of the Candidate