



## Centre for Pastoralism

### Research Associate

for the Research Thematic at Centre for Pastoralism

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The Centre for Pastoralism (CfP) is a Sahjeevan Initiative that seeks to undertake research aimed at enhancing our understanding of pastoralist ecosystems, develop collaborative programs to enhance livelihood security recognize and conserve animals bred by pastoralists, facilitate the restoration of grazing lands, and undertake outreach with policymakers, media, students and society at large on a wide range of issues relating to pastoralism.

#### Context

CfP's research agenda is anchored on three primary pillars – that of (i) deepening the field of pastoral studies in India; (ii) facilitating big picture research aimed at interrogating mainstream positions on grassland management and pastoral mobility and (iii) undertaking applied research that feeds into Sahjeevan's and CfP's programmatic interventions. Current research projects include a mapping of pastoral grazing routes as a means of visually showcasing the prevalence of pastoralism across large parts of the country; estimating the size of the pastoral economy; and developing a collaborative that is working to highlight the links between climate change, grasslands and pastoralism. More applied work relates to understanding India's dairy and wool markets, towards informing the direction of our work on pastoral livelihoods.

The researcher associate is expected to work on:

1. Project specific tasks - review of literature, report writing, field-based research
2. Looking for existing data/datasets to support the production of reports and assist with current research and analysis
3. Manage and maintain CfP's repository of research on pastoralism
4. Converting new ideas into concept notes for further review and vetting within CfP
5. Overall assistance to the research team - grant proposals and project reports, analysis of collected data and fieldwork and taking the lead on smaller projects

#### Desired experience and qualifications:

Our ideal candidate is someone who has a strong research background and is able to understand aspects of pastoralism in India that are of interest to us.

The candidate must have the following qualifications:

- A Master's in Economics/Development Studies/Anthropology/Sociology/Environmental Studies, OR a Bachelor's in the same disciplines AND relevant experience working on field-based research projects
- Excellent written and oral skills in English AND in other languages
- Ability to travel across India and engage with CfP's partners and team members

**NOTE :** The researcher associate will be required to work from our New Delhi office. This is a full time position, for a period of one-year, with the possibility of extension.

Please write to Aniruddh Sheth ([aniruddh@centreforpastoralism.org](mailto:aniruddh@centreforpastoralism.org)) for more information on CfP, the project or the position.

To apply, please fill up this [form](#) and submit your CV, a Cover Letter and details of two References. We expect candidates to have gone through our website and read through our current work in the publications section.

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