

25th Placement Interview of Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (India)



After facilitating 33 Placement Interviews generating Job Placement Offers for 144 Students Last Year; we at the University Placement Cell of our esteemed Navsari Agricultural University; are pleased to announce that the 25th Placement Interview of this year - the Forthcoming Interview of Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (India) - The World Renowned NGO is to be held during this July itself.

Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (India)

- The Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (India) is a non-denominational, non-government development organization working in Gujarat since 1984.
- AKRSP (India) works as a catalyst for the betterment of rural communities by providing direct support to local communities to enhance their livelihood and develop models for sustainable natural resource management and human resource development. VISION AKRSP (India) can contribute in India to the creation of an enabling environment in which rural people can identify their needs and priorities and with professional support, organise themselves to improve the quality of their lives.
- AKRSP (India) began field operations in 1985 and has since become one of the larger grassroots NGOs in India with more than 250 staff in 27 locations and an annual budget of \$6 million. It has innovated and pioneered several efforts in areas such as participatory irrigation management, joint forest management, rain water harvesting, watershed development, preventing salinity ingress and alternative energy to empower rural women and marginalised communities.
- AKRSP (India) is active in over 1000 villages in four environmentally challenged and economically vulnerable regions of Gujarat: the tribal block of Bharuch -- Narmada -- Surat-Tapi, coastal salinity-affected Junagadh and the drought-prone Surendranagar. Since 2005, AKRSP (India) has been working in the remote and poor districts of Khandwa, Khargone and Burhanpur in Madhya Pradesh. In the Khandwa programme area, AKRSP (India) has been working with the tribal communities of Bhil, Korku, Bhilala and Barela. The key focus areas have been watershed development, participatory irrigation management, micro enterprise development and implementing the Community-based Technology Learning Centres.
- AKRSP (India) initiated its activities in Bihar in 2007 in the districts of Samastipur and Muzaffarpur. Bihar is the most backward state of India with more than 45 million people living on less than a dollar a day and the highest infant mortality and lowest literacy rates in the country. As Bihar was new to AKRSP (India), an entirely new approach and strategy was needed. Hence, a Multi Input Area Development (MIAD) approach was taken up in collaboration with AKF India. The MIAD approach is quite different from the ones that are followed in Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh where interventions are taken up in a sequential manner with economic development leading to investments in social development. MIAD aims at working simultaneously on economic and social development through community-based approaches. Since mid-2008, a range of interventions in the domain of economic development, community institutions, education and health have been piloted in Bihar Through field implementation over the last two decades, there has been much learning for AKRSP (India). To ensure that these lessons are shared with others, AKRSP (India) has set up two training centres in the rural areas of Gujarat. The training centres train more than 3500 villagers and government staff annually. AKRSP (India) also partners with other NGOs and research agencies to influence policies and programmes of the Government and market players to improve the quality of life of the rural poor. It is a member of many state and national committees on natural resource management.

Available Job Profile: FPO in Gujarat and M. P.

✓ Job profile involves working closely with rural community for Awareness Campaign, Capacity Building Programme etc.

Expected Essentials from the Ideal Candidate:

- ✓ Energetic and talented Graduate OR Post Graduate in suitable discipline with sound knowledge of Agriculture Basics coupled with Business Sense...
- **✓** Ideal candidate must have a Societal Orientation, Business Sense, Inner Urge to work for a noble cause.
- Selection Process: Resume Submission (latest by 11th July) & Initial Short Listing by the Organization. The shortlisted candidates will go for *Personal Interview*...
- All the interested and eligible students need to register their names with Placement Officer of the Institute by submitting their detailed CV latest by 11th July, 2014 FRIDAY-11:00 am...

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