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HYBRID MODE - INTERVIEW

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for engagement in contractual positions under various programmes of the Mission on Cotton Productivity (Kapas Kanti) and in the Finance & Accounts Section of this Institute, at ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai, and the Ginning Training Centre (GTC), Nagpur, as detailed below:

Sl. No.	Programm
1.	Program 5.1: Development of post-harvest technologies including cleaning, ginning, and quality profiling systems for mechanically harvested cotton.
2.	Program 5.2: Innovative cotton value chain to enhance farm profitability through circular economy.

Sl. No.	Program	Name of the Post	No. of Post	Place of Posting	Interview Venue and date, time	Essential/Desirable/ Qualification required
1.	**5.1** Under the objective 'Development and optimization of pre and post cleaning and ginning system for processing of mechanically harvested cotton'	Senior Research Fellow (SRF)	02 (TWO)	GTC, Nagpur	GTC, Nagpur 16.11.2026 at 11:00 a.m.	**Essential:** Master's degree in Agricultural Process Engineering/ Agricultural Structures and Process Engineering/ Post Harvest Engineering and Technology/Farm Machinery and Power/Mechanical Engineering/Instrumentation Engineering/Electronics and Communication Engineering/ or equivalent with 4/5 years of Bachelor's degree **Note:** Candidates having post graduate degree in basic sciences with 3 years bachelor's degree and two years master's degree should have NET qualifications and 2 years of research experience as mentioned in OM по Edn./6/27/2014/HRD dated 13th July, 2015, OM No. Agri Edn. 6/27/2014-HRD dated 9th October, 2015 of the Council and OM SR/59/2-09/2018 of DST dated 30th Jan, 2019 **Desirable:** Knowledge of design, development and testing. of machinery, machine design software, data analysis, statistical analysis, research paper and technical report writing skills and field work.
		Young Professional -II (YP-II)	01 (One)	GTC, Nagpur		**Essential:** Master's degree in Agricultural Process Engineering/ Agricultural Structures and Process Engineering/ Post Harvest Engineering and Technology/Farm Machinery and Power/Mechanical Engineering/Electrical Engineering/Instrumentation Engineering/Computer application or equivalent **Desirable:** Knowledge of design, development, testing of machinery, machine design software, data analysis tools, statistical analysis, research paper and report writing, and field work.
		Young Professional -I (YP-I)	02 (Two)	GTC, Nagpur	GTC, Nagpur 16.11.2026 at	**Essential:** Bachelor's degree with at least 60% marks in Agricultural Engineering/Mechanical Engineering/Electrical Engineering/Electronics and Communication Engineering/Instrumentation Engineering/Civil

					02:30 p.m.	Engineering or equivalent disciplines, or Diploma in relevant Engineering disciplines. **Desirable:** Preference will be given to candidates having knowledge in erection/commissioning of Engineering Plants and machinery or working in industrial scale plants
2.	**5.1** Under the programme, for carrying out the objectives of 'Profiling and benchmarking of key fibre quality parameter of mechanically harvested cotton and Kasturi Cotton Bharat'	Young Professional -II (YP-II)	01 (One)	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai 17.11.2026 at 11:00 a.m.	**Essential Qualification:** • Bachelor's Degree in Textile Technology, Textile Chemistry, Agriculture. OR • Post graduate degree in Physics, Chemistry, Statistics **Desirable Qualification:** Experience in cotton fibre testing, textile testing, Data analysis. project management etc.
		(a) Young Professional -I (YP-I)	02 (Two)	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai		**Essential Qualification:** • Diploma or Degree in Textile Technology, Textile Chemistry, Apparel Technology, Information Technology. • Bachelor degree in Physics, Chemistry, Computer Science **Desirable Qualification:** Experience in spinning, weaving, garmenting, cotton fibre testing, textile testing. Data entry & analysis, etc.
		(b) Young Professional -I (YP-I)	01 (One)	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai		**Essential Qualification:** • Bachelor's degree in Science/Management/Engineering/Commerce/ Information technology or three-year Diploma engineering and technology. **Desirable Qualification:** Experience in project management, Computer skill, data entry, Advance excel, Telley etc. (The candidate will be mainly required for project management, administrative work related to the project)
3.	**5.1** Under objectives no.2 'Production and evaluation of nano-tagants, fluorescent markets and DNA sequence suitable for traceability of Cotton value chain'	Senior Research Fellow (SRF)	01 (One)	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai 17.11.2026 at 02:30 a.m.	**1. Essential Qualifications:** Master's Degree in the molecular biology, biotechnology, biochemistry, microbiology, or a related discipline with four-year bachelor degree Note: Candidates having 3 years bachelor's degree and two years Master degree should have NET qualification and 2 years of research experience **2. Desirable:** PhD in Biotechnology/Biochemistry/ Microbiology/Life Sciences with experience of molecular biology tools will be given preference.
	Nature of work: Molecular Biology work, designing of stable short chains of deoxy- ribonucleotides (marker DNA sequences) using bioinformatics tools. PCR-based analysis and validation of marker DNA sequences for cotton identification and traceability. Encapsulation of marker DNA sequences using suitable encapsulating agents for improving its stability.					
		Young Professional -II (YP-II)	01 (One)	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai 17.11.2026 at 11:00 a.m.	**1. Essential Qualifications** • Four-Year Bachelor's Degree in Electronics & Communication Engineering/Electrical & Electronics Engineering/ Mechatronics Engineering/Instrumentation & Control OR • Three-year graduate degree in Physics with post graduate degree in Applied Physics **2. Desirable Qualifications & Experience** • Post graduate degree / diploma in Instrumentation & control / Sensor technology. • Experience in Sensor Fabrication & Prototyping, Spectroscopic Characterization of materials, Data Acquisition & Analysis, Exposure to microcontrollers, RFID, signal

						processing and data handling using open-source software.
		Young Professional -I (YP-I)	01 (One)	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai 17.11.2026 at 11:00 a.m.	**1. Essential Qualification** Graduate in Chemistry **2. Desirable** Experience in Chemical Synthesis
4.	**Program 5.2:** Innovative cotton value chain to enhance farm profitability through circular economy.	Young Professional -II (YP-II)	01 (One)	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai 17.11.2026 at 11:00 a.m.	**1. Essential Qualification:** Master's Degree in Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Industrial Microbiology or a related discipline. *Desirable:* Experience in molecular biology and genetic engineering techniques, fermentation process optimization, and extraction /characterization of biopolymers. Knowledge of HPLC/GC analysis and statistical experimental design will be preferred. ***Nature of Work:*** Screening of microbial strains for PLA production; optimization of culture media and fermentation conditions; molecular characterization and genetic modification of selected strains, as required; laboratory scale fermentation; recovery and purification of PLA. HPLC analysis of fermentation products.
		Young Professional -I (YP-I)	02 (Two)	One position at ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai and one position at GTC, Nagpur	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai 17.11.2026 at 11:00 a.m.	**1. Essential Qualification** Graduate in Agriculture / Agricultural engineering / Textile Technology/ any other relevant basic science & engineering. Or Diploma in Textile Technology/Textile chemistry any other relevant discipline. **2. Desirable** Experience in lab experimentation/survey/ fibre testing / spinning / waste management
5.	**Finance and Accounts Section**	Young Professional -I (YP-I)	01 (One)	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai	ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai 23.11.2026 at 11:00 a.m.	**1. Essential Qualification** B.Com/BBA/BBS (With minimum 60% marks) from a recognized University/College. (With minimum 1 year of experience in relevant field). **Desirable:** Knowledge of IT applications, virtual meeting platforms and computer skills (MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Tally, etc.) will be added advantage.

Terms & Conditions:

1. The application should be filled as per attached Application form in PDF format and should be sent through email with all relevant documents to **estt.circot@gmail.com** on or **before 11th November, 2026, 05.30 pm**. **For hybrid mode link will be shared through your communicated email ID** and Candidates are required to fill out the Google Form available on our website along with the advertisement.
2. The above posts are purely temporary and contractual in nature.
3. **Consolidated Monthly Remuneration/Emoluments:**
   - Senior Research Fellows (SRF) : Rs.37000/- + HRA per month (as applicable)
   - Young Professionals-II (YP-II) : Rs. 42000/- only
   - Young Professionals-I (YP-I) : Rs. 30000/- only
4. **Age Limit:**
   - **Senior Research Fellows (SRF)**: Maximum age 35 years for men & 40 years for women.
   - **Young Professionals-II (YP-II) & Young Professionals-I (YP-I):** Minimum age will be 21 years and maximum age will be 45 years.
     Relaxation for SC/ST/OBC/PH candidates as per govt. rules: 5 years for SC/ST, 3 years for OBC and 10 years for PH candidates.

5. She/He may be posted at all regional units.
6. Candidates who are currently employed elsewhere must produce a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from their present employer before the interview, failing which they shall be liable to have their interview cancelled.
7. The engagement will be up to completion of project period 2026-2031, subject to satisfactory performance of the candidate after evaluation by Director ICAR-CIRCOT, Mumbai.
8. **For Commerce and Information Technology category: Graduation with a minimum 60% marks.**
9. **For Commerce category: With a minimum of 1 year of experience in the relevant field.**
10. No T.A. / D.A. will be paid for appearing in the interview.
11. Candidates must also bring all the original experience/testimonials in support of age, qualifications, experiences etc.
12. Canvassing in any form will liable to disqualify the candidature. The Director's decision will be final & binding in all respect.
13. TA/DA will be admissible for undertaking domestic tours for official work, as per ICAR rules.
14. The Income Tax or any other Tax liable to be deducted as per the prevailing rules will be deducted at source before effecting payment of monthly salary.
15. The working hours for the SRF/YPs will be same as regular employees of ICAR. No extra benefit will be allowed for working beyond office hours. Unauthorized absence from the project/work for a continuous period of 08 days without valid reasons shall lead to automatic termination of the engagement.
16. The SRF/YPs are eligible for 08 days casual leave in calendar year on pro-rata basis and 02 restricted holidays as per the rules of Govt. of India/ICAR. Intervening weekly holidays or gazette holidays during as spell of leaves should not be counted against the admissible leaves. The un-availed leaves will not be carried forward to next calendar year. In addition to this SRF/YPs may also be allowed compensatory leave in lieu of the duty assigned on holidays but not more than 02 leaves can accrue in a month. Female YPs will be entitled to maternity leave as per provision in the Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Act 2017.
17. The SRF/YPs shall be subject to the laws of secrecy of the country and will sign a declaration of secrecy and Non-Disclosure Agreement before reporting (Annexure-I).
18. The engagement will not constitute a regular job or appointment of any nature in the ICAR.
19. During the term of engagement, the SRF/YPs shall comply with the Standards of Conduct. Failure to comply with the same will become a ground for termination of the SRF/YPs without notice.
20. For any query, the Director Office may be contacted during working hours (10:00 AM to 5:00 PM) at Mobile No. 9137582766

Sd/-
Senior Administrative Officer

APPLICATION FORMAT

Affix Recent Photograph

1. Name of the Post applied for:
   Sr. No: 1 (SRF/YP-II/YP-I):_____
   Sr. No: 2 (YP-II/YP-I (a)/ YP-I (b):_____
   Sr. No: 3 (SRF/YP-II/YP-I):_____
   Sr. No: 4 (YP-II/YP-I):_____
   Sr. No: 5 (YP-I):_____
2. Mode of Interview (Online/Offline):_____
3. Name of the candidate in full (in block letters):
4. Father's / Husband's Name:
5. Marital Status : Married/ Unmarried
6. Date of birth (in Christian era as recorded in the:
   Matriculation/ School leaving certificate) and
   age as on closing date of application
7. Sex (Male/Female):
8. Nationality:
9. Present Address / Correspondence Address with
   Pin: Code/Phone No./ Mobile No:
   E-mail address:
10. Permanent Address with Pin Code:
11. Whether belong to SC/ST/OBC/Ex-servicemen/PH:
    (Attested copies of such certificates from the
    Competent Authority should be enclosed)
12. Education Qualifications (in chronological order):
    (Attested copy of certificate in proof to be enclosed)

Sr. No	Examination Passed	Board/ University	Year of Passing	Grade/Division & % of Marks in aggregate %	Subject Passed

13. Area of study & project details:

14. Experience if any:

Sr. No	Office/Institute/ Organization	Post Held	Pay Scale/ Salary	Period From To	Nature of duties performed

15. Professional qualification, if any:

16. Additional information, if any which you would like:
to mention in support of your suitability for the post

17. Character Certificate from the Present Employer :
and from the Institute last attended

18. Research Publication if any:

19. List of enclosures:

DECLARATION: (by the candidate)

I Shri/Smt. /Ms._____ do hereby declare and certify that the information furnished in the application are correct and true to the best of my knowledge and bet i.e. I understand and agree that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect/incomplete or ineligible being detected at any time before or after selection/interview, my candidature is liable to rejected/cancelled without any notice. I shall be bound by the decision of the Director, Central Institute for Research on Cotton Techno1ogy,Adenwala Road, Matunga, Mumbai - 400 019.

Place:

Date:

(Signature of Candidate)

Name: _____

Certificate in the case of employees: (Already working in public/private organization)

TO BE CERTIFIED BY THE EMPLOYER

1. Certificate that the information furnished above are verified from the service records of the candidate and found correct.
2. Certified that no Vigilance or disciplinary case is pending or being Contemplated.
3. Certified that no minor/major penalty has been imposed on him/her during the last ten years.

Place:

Date:

(Signature with seal of Employer)