

## Project Associate – Energy Program, WRI India

Program: Energy

Location: Bangalore, Karnataka, India

Position Type: Full-time

### **Institution Overview:**

WRI is a global research organization that spans more than 50 countries, with offices in the Brazil, China, Europe, India, Indonesia, Mexico, Turkey and the United States. Our more than 450 experts and staff work closely with leaders to turn big ideas into action to sustain our natural resources—the foundation of economic opportunity and human well-being.

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### **Position Overview :**

WRI India is seeking a Project Associate for the Energy Access work housed in the Energy Program in India. With his/her knowledge of the energy access landscape in India and an overview of the situation in other developing countries, the Associate will support the vision of WRI to support the provision of reliable, affordable and sustainable energy for all.

WRI globally, has deep experience in the energy sector and is widely recognized as a leader on energy issues. In India, we have a multi-pronged energy strategy that looks strategically at directing our tools, research, expertise, and partnerships in ensuring universal access to reliable, affordable and sustainable electricity. The energy access work seeks to expand the access to energy in states where there continues to be unserved and under-served demand, while linking access to development outcomes within these states.

**Key Responsibilities:**

The Project Associate will undertake and oversee a range of responsibilities for the energy access team as are listed below.

- Conduct research of the energy access landscape and the development linkages – including policy and regulatory areas at the national and sub-national levels.
- Monitor the changing landscape of technologies and innovations in the energy access space and share updates in a timely manner with the team.
- Identify sources of information on energy access – publicly available, in the form of publications and national and international databases.
- Collect and synthesize data from multiple databases, at national and sub-national level for the energy access work.
- Analyse and collate the information collected, in a presentable format using tools like excel, power point presentation and word document.
- Participate and support team members in developing communication material like writing papers and reports (online and print).
- Accompany team and participate in workshops and discussions in energy access space across India and capture the findings and share with the team.
- Perform other tasks as assigned by the Energy Access Lead and Energy Program Director in India.

**Required Attributes and Credentials:**

- Degree in development studies or energy-related discipline. Masters preferred
- 2 - 5 years of relevant experience in energy and development space
- Strong research skills including knowledge of databases on energy access and ability to extract information from these databases
- Experience of writing and using the tools like excel, word document and power point for capturing and presenting information
- Good communications skills, willingness to engage with the team members in project discussions and a strong sense of respect for the team members
- Strong commitment to and understanding of the energy access and development space
- Ability to organize demanding schedules and logistics around travel for work
- Willingness to travel for work to different states in India on a regular basis and on short notice
- Fluency in English and Hindi

**Salary and Benefits**

Salary shall be commensurate with experience and skills. WRI offers a generous and comprehensive benefits package.

**How to Apply:**

Qualified applicants should apply online at [www.wri.org/careers](http://www.wri.org/careers). All applications must be submitted



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online through this career portal in order to be formally considered. Only select applicants will be contacted for interview purpose.

Please attach the following documents:

- (a) Cover letter explaining how your academic background and skills meet the requirements of this position.*
- (b) Curriculum vitae of no more than 2 A4 sized pages detailing academic and relevant professional experience.*
- (c) A sample of research based writing that demonstrates analytical capabilities. This could be a paper or a dissertation chapter.*
- (d) A 2-4 page summary of the above sample of research based writing targeted for a general (non-technical) audience.*
- (e) Names and contact details of three referees who can attest to the capabilities of the applicant.*

**Finalized candidate will be required to take a writing/analytical test.**