

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POSITION OF PROJECT ASSOCIATE**

**Adv.No.:** CMRG/MFG/FEAT/ANNAMALAI/01/2026]

**Date:** [16.03.2026]

Applications are invited from eligible Indian citizens for the position of **Project Associate** to work on a research project funded by the **Chief Minister's Research Grant (CMRG), Government of Tamil Nadu**. The position is temporary and coterminous with the project.

### **1. Project Details**

**Project Title:** Development of a **Smart Mechanical Fish Feeder for Open Sea Cage Aquaculture in Tamil Nadu**, Project Reference No.: **CMRG250488**

**Funding Agency:** Chief Minister's Research Grant (CMRG), Directorate of Technical Education, Chennai.

**Name of the Host Institute:** Department of Manufacturing Engineering, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, **Annamalai University**, Annamalainagar, Chidambaram, Tamil Nadu.

**Duration of the Project:** [3 Years]

### **2. Position Details**

- **Post Name:** Project Associate (Full Time)
- **Number of Vacancies:** [01]
- **Fellowship Amount:**
  - For candidates with **Master's degree in Engineering or Science:** ₹ 25000 per month + HRA (if applicable)

### **3. Essential Qualifications**

Candidates must meet **ONE** of the following criteria:

- **M.E. / M.Tech.** in **Manufacturing Engineering / Mechanical Engineering / Robotics/ Electronics / Instrumentation** with a minimum of 55% marks. (Preference will be given to M.E./M.Tech. candidates).
- **M.Sc.** in **Physics / Electronics / Instrumentation/Marine Science** with a minimum of 55% marks, provided the candidate has demonstrated aptitude for hardware and mechanical systems.

### **4. Desirable Skills & Experience**

- Valid **GATE** qualification will be given strong preference.
- Prior experience in **precision mechanical design, automation, or embedded systems**.

- Proficiency in **CAD software** (e.g., Solid Works, AutoCAD).
  - Knowledge of **microcontrollers (Arduino, Raspberry Pi)** and sensors.
  - Experience with **3D printing** or prototyping.
  - Willingness to conduct field trials in coastal/marine environments.
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### 5. Job Description & Responsibilities

- Assist in the **design and development** of a prototype smart mechanical fish feeder.
  - Work on the **integration of mechanical, electronic, and control systems**.
  - Conduct **simulations and performance analysis**.
  - Participate in **field visits to coastal regions** for testing and validation.
  - Collect and analyze data from field trials.
  - Assist the Principal Investigator in preparing reports and research papers.
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### 6. Age Limit

The upper age limit is **[35 years]** as on the date of the interview. Age relaxation for SC/ST/OBC/PWD candidates will be applicable as per Tamilnadu Government norms.

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### 7. Application Procedure

Interested candidates must send the following documents via email to **[srkcmajor@gmail.com]** with the subject line "**Application for Project Associate - CMRG250488 - [Your Name]**" on or before **[26.03.2026, 5:00 PM]** :

1. A duly filled application form (See format below).
  2. Scanned copies of all educational certificates.
  3. Proof of date of birth.
  4. Copy of GATE certificate (if applicable).
  5. A brief CV highlighting research experience and technical skills.
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### 8. Selection Process

- Screening will be based on qualifications and skills.
  - Shortlisted candidates will be informed via email about the interview (online or offline).
  - Candidates attending an offline interview must bring original certificates for verification.
  - **No TA/DA** will be paid for attending the interview.
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### 9. Terms and Conditions

- The post is purely temporary and contractual.
- The appointment can be terminated with one month's notice from either side.

- The selected candidate will be governed by the rules of CMRG and Annamalai University.
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#### 10. Contact Address for Correspondence

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Google form: <https://forms.gle/x8PoRNGwbB82HNmE7>

## Application Format

1. Name:

2. Date of Birth:

3. Address:

4. Email ID / Mobile No.:

5. Educational Qualifications:

Degree	Subject	University/College	Year of Passing	% of Marks / CGPA
M.Sc.				
M.E./M.Tech.				

6. Technical Skills:

7. Research Experience / Project Work:

8. GATE Score & Year (if applicable):

9. List of Publications (if any):

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