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### **Azim Premji Foundation Invites Applications from Post Graduates**

*Selected candidates can join the Foundation as Associates which is a full-time position*

**Lucknow, August 18, 2016:** Azim Premji Foundation announces recruitment of students from post graduates, who have passed out in the year 2015 or 2016 to join them as, Associates, leading to full-time positions in the Foundation. It has invited applications from post graduates, who are passionate to improve the quality and equity in school education across the country. The selection process is based on written test and interviews. Written tests will be conducted at **Cosmo Foundation, 2nd Floor, Dhan Nirman Complex, 15-A, Ashok Marg, Near Shakti Bhawan, Lucknow on Saturday, 20 August 2016.**

Aspirants should have a postgraduate degree (M.A. /M.Sc) or an integrated postgraduate degree (5 years course directly after Grade 12) in any of the following subjects: Mathematics, Sciences (Physics, Chemistry and Biology), Social Sciences (History, Geography and Political Science) or Languages (English, Hindi, Urdu and Kannada). **Proficiency in local language is a must and candidates should be open to relocate to the districts in Karnataka where Azim Premji Foundation.** Initially the associates will be immersed in the realities of school education in rural districts and will work closely with teachers to improve teaching practices, develop learning material for children & teachers and conduct research on issues related to classroom & teaching-learning processes.

Selected associates will receive a monthly gross salary of Rs. 26,000/- and additional benefits.

**Sudheesh Venkatesh, Chief People Officer, Azim Premji Foundation said,** “The one year programme will help the associates develop a deep understanding of elementary education. After the completion of one year, their role at the district institutes will be to help build teacher capacities in subject content, education perspectives and pedagogical approaches”.

For more information and to apply online please log onto  
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**About Azim Premji Foundation:** Azim Premji Foundation is a not-for-profit organization that is working towards making deep, large scale and institutionalized impact on the quality and equity of education in India, along with related development areas. We believe that any large-scale educational change requires significant and sustained effort over decades and can be achieved through working at multiple levels with a multi-pronged approach. Today, we work in 7 states and 1 Union Territory with a potential to reach over 3, 50,000 schools. Key aspects of our work include

Partnering with Government: We work in collaboration with state governments and engage with teachers, teacher educators, head teachers at the block and cluster level and with education officials, senior government functionaries and policy makers at the district, state and national levels.



State and District Institutes: We have State Institutes in the capitals of select Indian States and several District Institutes within these states, each having dedicated teams. The work of the State and District Institute is institutional in nature, recognizing that long term and consistent engagement is necessary for educational change.

Our Institutes work at the grass-root level, closely engaging with the government education system. The range of work we do spans capacity building of teachers, head teachers and other functionaries at the district level and state level. It also involves work on curriculum, assessment, educational leadership and management, policy issues and advocacy at the state level.

The Foundation today, has institutes that are located at **Bihar** (Patna), **Chhattisgarh** (Baloda Bazar, Bemetara, Dhamtari, Janjgir, Raigarh and Raipur) **Karnataka** (Bagalkot, Ballari Bengaluru, Bidar, Kalaburgi, Koppal, Mandya, Raichur, Vijayapura and Yadgir)

**Madhya Pradesh** (Bhopal, Khargone and Sagar) **Telangana** (Medak), **Puducherry**, **Rajasthan** (Banswara, Barmer, Chittor, Dungarpur, Jaipur, Jalor, Pali, Rajsamand, Sirohi and Tonk) **Uttarakhand** (Almora, Bageshwar, Chamoli, Champawat, Dehradun, Nainital, Pithoragarh, Rudraprayag, Tehri, Uttarkashi and Udham Singh Nagar)

At six of our District Institutes, we have the Foundation schools that have been established for the specific purpose of demonstration. These schools provide quality and free education to the local community, at costs and constraints similar to that of rural government schools.

Azim Premji University has a clear social purpose – to make significant contributions towards a just, equitable, humane and sustainable society. The University aspires to do this through the development of talent and the creation of knowledge which can facilitate systemic change in education and allied development areas. This is an explicit commitment to the idea that knowledge and learning have human and social consequences and that their pursuit cannot be separated from these consequences.

Scale and Reach: Over the next few years, the Foundation plans to have about 50 District Institutes, 10 schools and over 4000 employees. We have footprints in 45 districts, have 6 Demonstration Schools and over 1200 employees currently

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