



# भारतीय खगोलभौतिकी संस्थान

## INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ASTROPHYSICS

(विज्ञान एवं प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग, भारत सरकार के अंतर्गत एक स्वायत्त निकाय)

(An autonomous body under Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India)

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**Advt. No.IIA/01/DIR/2024 dated 01/01/2024**

### **Call for applications/nominations for appointment to the post of Director**

The Indian Institute of Astrophysics (IIA), Bengaluru is an autonomous academic and research Institution under the aegis of Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India. This is a premier national Institute in the country dedicated to research in Astronomy, Astrophysics and Allied areas in Sciences & Technology. The Institute has heritage in day-time and night-time astronomy and development of ground based and space based astronomical facilities. The Institute has its main campus in Koramangala, Bengaluru with an extended campus in Hosakote in Karnataka. The field stations of the Institute are located in Kavalur & Kodaikanal in Tamil Nadu, Gauribidanur in Karnataka, and Leh, Hanle & Merak in Ladakh (UT), where the Institute operates several national astronomical facilities. The Institute has delivered two space instruments that are currently functional, UV Imaging Telescope (UVIT) on AstroSat mission and Visible Emission Line Coronagraph (VELC) on Aditya L1 mission, both launched and operated by the Indian Space Research Organisation. The Institute continues to make significant contribution in the Thirty Metre Telescope (TMT) project, through the India-TMT coordination centre anchored in the Institute.

Applications/nominations are invited for the post of Director. The candidate shall be a dynamic leader with substantial experience and achievements in the area of Astronomy & Astrophysics and with a clear vision to lead the Institution.

The Director will be appointed after obtaining the approval of the Competent Authority based on the recommendations made by a Search-cum-Selection Committee. The Search-cum-Selection committee will consider applications received in response to this advertisement as well as nominations received from eminent scientific and academic persons like fellows of prestigious national science and engineering academies, Directors of national Research & Development laboratories, Vice Chancellors of universities, etc.

- A. Name of the post:** Director
- B. Scale of pay:** Pay Level-15 HAG Scale (Rs. 1,82,200-2,24,100) plus admissible allowances as per the 7<sup>th</sup> CPC.
- C. Mode of Recruitment:** Recruitment for the post of Director shall be made by any of the following method(s):
- By Direct Recruitment
  - By Deputation, including Short-Term Contract
  - By re-employment

**D. Tenure:** 3 to 5 years or until attaining the age of superannuation as per extant Government instructions (60 years at present), whichever is earlier.  
For direct recruitment, the probation period for the post is one year from the date of joining the post.

**E. Age limit:** Not exceeding 56 years as on 01/01/2024.

**F. Qualifications:**

- a. Essential: Doctorate in Astronomy/Astrophysics/Physics/Mathematics.
- b. Desirable: i) Post-Doctoral Research, ii) Original published work of high standard, iii) Evidence of high professional eminence by way of recognitions like fellowship of academies, national/international awards in science etc.

**G. Essential Experience:**

i. **For Direct Recruitment:**

(a) At least 20 years of experience in R&D in industrial and academic institutions and / or Science and Technology organizations or as faculty / scientist of recognized national / international universities / research institutes / corporate R&D Labs etc., out of which at least 4 years should be in managerial / administrative capacity for science & technology programmes, planning and development, budget & finance, coordination and such organizational matters.

(b) R&D experience in the areas of Astronomy and Astrophysics and related topics.

[NOTE: R&D experience will include the period spent in obtaining the Doctorate degree.]

ii. **For Deputation/ Contract:**

In case of recruitment by Deputation/Contract - Scientists or Technologists working in the Central/State Governments/Universities/ Recognized Research Institutions/Semi-Government, Statutory or Autonomous Organizations in India,

(a) i) holding analogous post; or

ii) 5 years regular service in the post carrying pay in Pay Level-14 of 7<sup>th</sup> CPC (in the pay band of Rs.37400-67000+Grade Pay of Rs.10,000/-) or equivalent.

(b) possessing the Essential Educational Qualifications and Essential Experience as mentioned above for Direct Recruitment.

## H. Job Description:

The Director will have the overall administrative control of the Institute and will provide high-level leadership to the Institute in identification of research programmes and projects of national and international relevance in various specialized fields of research undertaken by the Institute. S/he will enthuse and motivate scientists of the Institute, promote creativity and excellence and create an atmosphere conducive to harmonious functioning of the Institute. S/he will interact and establish rapport with national and international academic and professional institutions and specialists dealing with the domain area of research undertaken by the Institute and will ensure multi-disciplinary and multi-institutional cooperation towards fulfilment of objectives of the Institute.

## I. Application/Nomination Process:

**By Post:** In case of direct applications, the information in the attached formats I and II should be sent by post to the **Administrative Officer, Indian Institute of Astrophysics, II Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru - 560 034, so as to reach this address by 11/02/2024.** (The last date for receipt of applications from candidates (including nominations) in Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland, Tripura, Sikkim, Ladakh(UT), Lahaul and Spiti District and Pangi Sub Division of Chamba District of Himachal Pradesh, Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep will be 26/02/2024).

A copy of the application should be sent to the Chairman, Governing Council, IIA by email to: kiran@isro.gov.in

**Nominations:** In case of nominations, the eminent persons nominating a candidate may forward the Nominee's application /curriculum vitae along with recommendations, consent of the nominee and duly attested photocopies of Doctorate and Master's degree certificates in support of qualifications and experience by post so as to reach the above address by 11/02/2024. A copy of nomination should be sent to the Chairman, Governing Council, IIA by email to: kiran@isro.gov.in

Persons employed in Government Departments, Autonomous Organizations and Public Sector Undertakings, should arrange to send their applications through proper channel along with No Objection Certificate/ Cadre Clearance, Vigilance/ Integrity Certificate. They may, however, send an advance copy so as to meet the time deadline mentioned above. The candidates may clearly specify the preferred mode of appointment viz. either by Direct Recruitment or by Deputation or either one of these two. In case of appointment on Direct Recruitment basis, the candidate would be required to furnish consent for technical resignation from his/ her substantive post in the parent organization.

Duly self-attested photocopies of certificates in support of qualifications and experience should be sent with the application.

The envelope containing the application must be **superscribed** with "**Application for the post of Director, IIA, Bengaluru**".

**Administrative Officer  
Indian Institute of Astrophysics**

**FORMAT - I****FORMAT FOR APPLICATION**

Latest Passport size photograph to be pasted

1. Name in full (in block letters):.....
2. Father's Name: .....
3. Mother's Name: .....
4. Present position:.....
5. Communication/ Postal address:.....
6. E-mail address:.....
7. Phone Number (Mobile & Landline):.....
8. Date of Birth:.....
9. Place of Birth:.....
10. Do you belong to Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe or OBC:.....
11. Permanent Address:.....
12. Educational Qualifications indicating chronologically the examinations passed from Bachelor's onwards:.....
13. Your Present Employment details:
  - (a) Present Designation
  - (b) Present Pay Scale/Level/Pay Band/ Current Basic Pay
  - (c) Nature of Current employment (Permanent/deputation/contract)
  - (d) Name & Address of the present Organization
  - (e) Ministry under which present organization comes:
14. Experience (give in chronological order details of your employment)
  - a. (Full name & address of the office/institute/organization, Post(s) held, period (from.... to...))
  - b. Pay scale/Pay level, Basic pay/Total emoluments, whether permanent/on probation, deputation/contract, Reasons for leaving the post
15. List of the following:
  - i) Details of awards/recognitions/honours/fellowships of prestigious academics

- ii) List the memberships of Professional Bodies
- iii) List of Patents awarded/granted
- iv) List of books/Publications, citations received till the date of application, h-index e tc.

16. Details of projects implemented (completed/in progress):.....
17. Give a summary of important research work done by you and done under your guidance separately.
18. Give a summary of R&D experience, specifically guiding innovation based value addition, business development and scouting and documentation of innovations:.....
19. Experience in managerial/administrative capacity for Science & Technology programmes, planning and development, budget & finance, coordination and such organisational matters :.....
20. Any other information which you would like to share: .....
21. Declaration:

I hereby certify that the foregoing information is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have not suppressed any material fact or factual information in the above statements. In case, I have given wrong information, or suppressed any material fact or factual information, then my services are liable to be terminated without giving any notice or reasons thereof. I am not aware of any circumstances which might impair my fitness for employment under the Government.

Signature of the candidate

Date:

Place:

**Format - II****Format for Short Curriculum Vitae**

(Not to exceed 2-pages of A4 size in Times New Roman font of size 12 in single spacing)

- 1 Name and Address
- 2 Date of Birth and age in years and months as on 01/01/2024
- 3 Qualifications  
(mention degree, Institution and the year awarded)
- 4 Present post
- 5 Present pay  
(Pay Matrix Level as per VII CPC/  
Pay Band & Grade Pay as per VI  
CPC)
- 6 Experience (Indicate the post, Institution and dates during which each post was held; also indicate separately (a) the total number of the years of R&D experience after Master's Degree including the Ph.D. period and (b) total number of years of other experience).
- 7 Number of publications in refereed Journals, books, book chapters, number of Ph.Ds produced, citations received till 31/12/2023, h-index
- 8 Honours and Awards
- 9 Fellowships of National and International Academies, Memberships of Professional Societies
- 10 Additional relevant information, if any

(Signature of Applicant/Nominee)

Date :