

Bombay Natural History Society

Requires

(1) Vulture Advocacy Team Leader for Vulture Advocacy Programme. **Details of the job opening:** BNHS is looking out for a well motivated and committed Vulture Advocacy Team Leader with passion for nature conservation and wildlife for its Vulture Advocacy Programme as well as the ability to build up a team. **Job description:** To lead advocacy challenges facing vultures across India. To interact regularly with government officials, veterinarians, volunteers as well as rural farmers. To oversee and build up small taskforce teams who will operate in other regions of India to effectively remove unsafe veterinary painkillers from the environment. **Job specifications:** The potential candidate should ideally have a Doctorate or Postgraduate degree, preferably in Life Sciences or Veterinary Sciences. Any medical training or experience will be an added advantage. Excellent communication (verbal and written) and presentation skills are required. Potential candidate should ideally be above 35 years. The person will be joining an evolving programme which addresses one of the highest profile conservation issues of recent times. The new phase plans to expand the work to a regional level, and this person will need to be willing to travel around India and internationally to oversee and help develop a large proportion of this growing programme. It will involve working with international partners but within BNHS team. **Location:** New Delhi. **Remuneration:** Negotiable. Please apply on or before **10 March 2011** with detailed CV, mentioning current and expected salary, marking the envelope with the post applied for, to **The Director**, Bombay Natural History Society, Hornbill House, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Road, Mumbai 400 001; Tel. No.: 022-2282 1811; e-mail: bnhs@bom4.vsnl.net.in.

(2) Co-ordinator for Indian CSO for COP11. The 11th Conference of Parties (COP) of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) will held in India in 2012. At each of these COPs, several Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) working on CBD come together to co-ordinate their activities, which include advocacy, lobbying, information outreach joint statements, etc. Over the last few years these activities have been co-ordinated by the CBD Alliance, a network of such organizations. At COP the Alliance is hosted by local CSOs. For COP11, the Alliance has requested Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS) to be the hub for coordinating the efforts of Indian CSOs. BNHS will be undertaking this in conjunction with several other CSOs, for which a separate forum (the Indian CSO Forum) is being created. **The role of the Co-ordinator:** The Co-ordinator will play a key role in ensuring the efficient functioning of the Indian CSO Forum for COP11, through the following activities: (1) Supporting the Co-ordinating Committee of the Indian CSO Forum for COP11. (2) Maintaining a regularly updated database of CSOs involved in the Forum. (3) Keeping track of important developments, announcements, etc. related to COP11 and keeping the Forum members abreast of these. (4) Regularly communicating with Forum members on any matters of relevance to the CSO initiative for COP11. (5) Maintaining contact and networking with other stake-holders relevant for the Forum, including officials in the MoEF and other government agencies involved with CBD, other CSOs and individuals who are not part of the Forum, etc. (6) Ensuring the efficient co-ordination of events in India leading up to COP11 as decided by the Forum. (7) Facilitating the development of Joint CSO positions, statements and other activities leading up to COP11. **Time period:** April 2011 to March 2013 (two years) but may continue for two more years. **Location:** New Delhi. **Qualifications:** Minimum Bachelor's degree in relevant subjects. Experience with Biodiversity issues, preferably knowledge of CBD processes and issues. Experience with CSO networking and working with government agencies. **Remuneration:** Negotiable. Please apply with CV focusing especially on the qualifications mentioned above **within 15 days** to **The Director**, Bombay Natural History Society, Hornbill House, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Road, Mumbai 400 001; e-mail: bnhs@bom4.vsnl.net.in.