

ICAR-CENTRAL INSTITUTE FOR COTTON RESEARCH
(Indian Council of Agricultural Research)
Regional Station, Coimbatore-641 003

WALK-IN-INTERVIEW

F.No. A-30/223/2026-RS_CBE

Date: 12.10.2026

The eligible candidates are invited to appear for Walk-in-Interview for the temporary (contractual) position of Research Associate, Senior Research Fellow, Young Professional – II and Young Professional – I under the Mission for Cotton Productivity (MCP) Project.

Monthly Stipend: (i) RA: Rs.67,000/- per month + HRA as per ICAR rules;
(ii) SRF: Rs.37,000/- per month + HRA as per ICAR rules;
(iii) YP-II: Rs.42,000/- Consolidated Pay/month as per ICAR rules;
(iv) YP-I: Rs.30,000/- Consolidated Pay/month as per ICAR rules.

VENUE: ICAR-Central Institute for Cotton Research (ICAR), Regional Station, Marudhamalai Road, Coimbatore – 641 003, Tamil Nadu.

S.No	Name of the post	Educational Qualification	Written Exam / Date of interview
1	Research Associate (RA) (One No.)	Essential Qualification: Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics/ Ph.D. in Agricultural Extension / Ph.D. in Agronomy Desirable Qualification: Post doctorate experience, NET qualification, Working experience in internationally funded research projects, Expertise in establishment of FPOs and market linkages, Supply and value chain work experience, Price and supply forecasting, Market demand assessment	26.10.2026
2	Young Professional-II (YP-II) (Two Nos.)	Essential Qualification: MSc (Agri) Plant Physiology / MSc (Agri) Plant Biotechnology Desirable Qualification: Knowledge in plant phenotyping with respect to abiotic stresses and related molecular work	26.10.2026
3	Young Professional-II (YP-II) (Two Nos.)	Essential Qualification: M.Sc. in Agriculture (Plant Pathology) Desirable Qualification: PhD in Agriculture (Plant Pathology) with Knowledge of field observations and scoring of plant diseases/ Isolation of biocontrol agents and evaluation against plant pathogens <i>in vitro</i> and <i>in vivo</i> conditions/Experience evaluating microbial strains for managing plant diseases, including laboratory screening, bioassays, and field evaluation. Basic statistical analysis skills	26.10.2026
4	Senior Research Fellow (SRF) (One No.)	Essential Qualification: M. Sc. (Agriculture) with Specialisation in Agricultural Entomology Desirable Qualification: PhD (Agriculture) with Specialisation in Agricultural Entomology. Proficiency in MS Office. Compliance with pest monitoring surveys in cotton across selected villages of Coimbatore district	27.10.2026

5	Young Professional-II (YP-II) (Two Nos.)	Essential Qualification: M.Com (Finance & Accounting) / MCA from a recognized university Desirable Qualification: Proficiency in typing, sound knowledge of MS-Office. Experience in budgeting, audit, procurement service, PFMS system, E-Office, Working knowledge in GeM	27.10.2026
6	Young Professional-II (YP-II) (Three No.)	Essential Qualification: M. Sc. (Agri.) in Agronomy Desirable Qualification: Experience in conduct of Agronomy research/ Working knowledge in GIS / Satellite imagery processing / drone imagery processing; Expertise in R/Python code writing	28.10.2026
7	Young Professional-II (YP-II) (Five Nos.)	Essential Qualification: M. Sc. (Agriculture) with Specialisation in Agricultural Entomology / Nano Science & Technology Desirable Qualification: PhD (Agriculture) with Specialisation in Agricultural Entomology/ Nano Science & Technology; experience in insect pest observation and collection, bioassays and field experiments. Basic statistical tools and techniques. Proficiency in MS Office	28.10.2026
8	Young Professional-II (YP-II) (Four Nos.)	Essential Qualification: M. Sc (Agricultural Extension Education) Desirable Qualification: Experience in data collection, statistical analysis, working knowledge on computer application, report compilation and conduct of demonstration	28.10.2026
9	Young Professional-II (YP-II) (Four Nos.)	Essential Qualification: M. Sc. (Agri.) in Plant Breeding & Genetics / M. Sc. (Botany) Desirable Qualification: Ph. D. in Plant Breeding & Genetics Field Experience (Three Years), Proficiency in MS-Office	29.10.2026
10	Young Professional-I (YP-I) (Twenty Six Nos.)	Essential Qualification: B. Sc. (Agriculture) / B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture / B.Tech (Agricultural Information Technology) / Agri Business Management / B.Sc. (Hons) Agri business management / B.Sc. (Botany) Desirable Qualification: M.Sc. (Agri) in Plant Breeding & Genetics, Research/ Crop Physiology /Nematology/soil science/Entomology/plant pathology/ Agricultural Extension Education/ M.Sc. (Botany)/ Possession of drone pilot license/ proficiency in MS Office and basic statistical analysis skills	30.10.2026

(Reporting time 8.30 am – 9.00 a.m.)

Instructions:

1. All the above engagement is temporary / contractual & carries no other allowances.
2. The Walk-in-interview will be held as detailed above at this Institute.
- 3. These temporary contractual appointments shall be valid up to 31.03.2027 or even before on the discretion of the Competent Authority. The Research Associate, Senior Research Fellow and Young Professionals engaged under these appointments shall have no right to claim any regular employment or engagement with CICR/ICAR.**
4. The eligible candidates (Male / Female / Transgender) can attend the interview only when they fulfill the essential qualification.
5. Leave entitlement will be as per rules.
6. The candidates should bring with them the original certificates for verification with one set of photocopies of all the certificates in support of Age, Qualifications, Experience, Caste, Employment Exchange Registration Card and one Passport size photograph to be enclosed with the application while appearing for Walk in Interview. **The candidates should compulsorily download the application form from website and bring the filled in form along with them on the date of interview. Photocopy facility is not available in this office.**
7. No TA/DA will be paid for attending the Walk-in-Interview.
8. The Director, ICAR-CICR, Nagpur reserves the right to fill up or not to fill any vacancy notified in this advertisement.
9. There will be 70 mins. written test in the Forenoon and the merit list of the candidates will be prepared, followed by Personal Interview in the Afternoon for the qualified shortlisted candidates on the date of Walk in- Interview.
- 10. Candidates with Provisional / Degree certificates (essential qualification) from the concerned University only will be eligible for Walk in Interview.**
- 11. Age Limit:**
RA – The minimum age will be 21 and maximum 40 years for men and 45 years for women on the date of interview with relaxation as per Govt. of India rules as on the date of interview.
SRF – The minimum age will be 21 and maximum 35 years for men and 40 years for women on the date of interview with relaxation as per Govt. of India rules as on the date of interview.
YP – The minimum age will be 21 and maximum 45 years on the date of interview with relaxation as per Govt. of India rules as on the date of interview.

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