## IISER Kolkata Post-doctoral Fellowship (PDF) Programme Department of Earth Sciences (DES)

Indian Institute of Science Education & Research Kolkata is the first among five IISERs, to have established a Department of Earth Sciences. The department started its journey in 2007, a year after IISER Kolkata was established. The first batch of BS-MS Earth Science Major students graduated in 2012. Please check the department website for further details: http://earth.iiserkol.ac.in/.

The Department is committed to building a community of researchers including students and faculty members. Our goal is to develop a modern center for Earth Science Education and Research in three core areas:

- 1. Environmental & Ecological studies in modern and ancient systems,
- 2. Isotope Geochemistry & Biogeochemical studies,
- 3. Solid Earth studies

## **Number of positions available:**

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## **Department-specific Eligibility:**

At least one publication from the PhD work of the candidate

#### **Departmental Contact:**

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### **Department-specific Application Format:**

Please fill up the form given below and send it to: pdf.des@iiserkol.ac.in

#### **Important Dates:**

Last date of submission of application: 10/12/2022

Date of publication of the interview list (tentative): 20/12/2022

Interview date (tentative): 09/01/2023

Date of publication of results: will be informed later

## **Available Research Areas/projects:**

The Department of Earth Sciences is looking for a postdoctoral fellow. Candidates can apply for the research project which is listed below. Candidates are also encouraged to apply with their own research proposals related to the available research area listed below.

#### **Research Project #1:** Archean crustal evolution and geodynamics.

## The Research project:

In contrast to the well-understood modern day plate tectonics, the Precambrian geodynamics, especially the Archean geodynamics, is still debated and various models have been proposed. Many of these models are based on numerical simulations and validation of these models based on information preserved in Archean rock record is rather limited. The Archean cratons of Peninsular India, surrounded by cratonic blocks and Paleoproterozoic to Neoproterozoic orogenic belts, is a window to investigate the Archean-Paleoproterozoic crustal evolution and tectonic processes. More importantly, the relatively smaller granulite belts, within the widespread greenschist-amphibolite grade rocks of these cratons, provide a window into the Archean lower crust, enabling us to study the lower crustal processes. The successful candidate will study the petrological and geochemical evolution of certain granulite belts within the Archean craton to decipher the Archean crustal evolution and tectonic processes.

#### Requirements:

Apart from the general eligibility requirements, the applicant should have a strong background in metamorphic petrology, geochemistry and geochronology and have the ability to conduct field work independently.

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