



(An Autonomous Institution of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India)

**Advertisement for the Admission to XVI M.Sc. Course in Wildlife Science (2017-2019)**

**Advt. No. WII/AC/2017-19/001/Advt. for XVI M.Sc**

The Wildlife Institute of India (WII) is a premier national institute for training and research in the field of wildlife conservation and management. The Institute's idyllic ambience, *state of the art* infrastructure and faculty of repute provide a vibrant academic atmosphere. The Institute constantly provides an enriching and learning experience to its students. The M.Sc. course in Wildlife Science of the Institute is widely acclaimed both nationally and internationally. This course aims to impart theoretical knowledge on concepts, principles, approaches, analytical skills and field techniques in Wildlife Science. Students of high calibre, motivation and having passion for wildlife and conservation are selected for the residential course every alternate year. The course is affiliated with the Saurashtra University, Rajkot (Gujarat) which has been Accredited Grade A by NAAC. The details of the University can be found at <http://bit.ly/2iFVFQZ>. The course is open to both Indian and foreign nationals. Applications are invited for admission to this 2 - year course (four semesters) in M.Sc. Wildlife Science commencing on **29 June, 2017**. Twenty meritorious students will be admitted to this course, which includes 15 Indian and 05 foreign nationals. The break-up of seats (15) for Indian nationals will be as follows: General Candidates - 08; SC Candidates - 02; ST Candidate - 01; OBC Candidates – 04. In case of 5 foreign candidates are not selected, these seats will be offered to Indian candidates as per the reservation policy of Government of India.

**COURSE FEE:** The Course Fee for the entire course is: **Indian Nationals** - INR 5,32,800; **SAARC Nationals** - US \$ 13,200; **Other Nationals** - US \$ 14,400. The Institute provides full scholarship to eight Indian students based on their selection merit. The scholarship covers academic fee, hostel accommodation fee and a monthly stipend. The breakup of the scholarships for Indian nationals will be: General - 04; SC - 01; ST – 01 and OBC - 02. Other candidates (Indian and Foreign) selected for the course will be treated as self-sponsored. The self sponsored students would be required to pay the course fee in four equal installments prior to commencement of each semester.

**ELIGIBILITY:**

- (a) Bachelor's degree in Science, Medical Science, Engineering, Veterinary Science, Agriculture, Forestry, Pharmacy, Social Science and Computer Science or degrees recognized as equivalent thereof (should have studied in Science stream at Higher Secondary Education Board with Biology as one of the subjects or other equivalent board).
- (b) Minimum of 15 years of formal education (either 10+2+3 or 11+2+2).
- (c) Candidates who have completed the graduation degree in any of the above disciplines with a pass certificate.
- (d) Candidates who have appeared OR will be appearing at the qualifying (final) bachelor's degree examination and whose result is still awaited OR candidates whose examinations have been

delayed may also apply. However, they need to provide their **Graduation Pass Certificate** prior to the registration in the course at Saurashtra University, tentatively by 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017, failing which the admission will stand cancelled.

The OBC candidates who belong to “Creamy Layer” are not entitled for concessions admissible (Age relaxation and Scholarship) to OBC category and have to apply as General candidates. The OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates are required to submit requisite certificate in prescribed format (**Annexure 1**) of Government of India, from a Competent Authority issued in the current year. The name of the caste and community indicated in the OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) certificate must appear in the Central list of Other Backward Classes which can be found at <http://bit.ly/2iz3OJQ>. Further, OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates will have to give a self-undertaking indicating that they belong to OBC (Non-Creamy Layer) category also at the time of written test/interview, if called for.

Candidates with Bachelor’s Degree from Universities outside India should obtain certificates of equivalence from the Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities, AIU House 16, Comrade Indrajit Gupta Marg, New Delhi-110002 (Website: <http://bit.ly/2iFSsBb>), email to [administration@aiuweb.org](mailto:administration@aiuweb.org), [sgoffice@aiu.ac.in](mailto:sgoffice@aiu.ac.in) (Ph: + 91-11-23230059; 23232429; 23232305, Fax : + 91-11- 23232131). The Institute will facilitate the degree equivalence from the Association of Indian Universities, New Delhi and eligibility certificate for the Saurashtra University. However final decision by them in the matter of equivalence/eligibility will be binding on the applicant.

In case of Foreign nationals who do not have English as their native language should provide evidence of proficiency in English (e.g. TOEFL Score) for admission to this course. The TOEFL or IELTS score reports should not be more than two years since taking the Test to submission of the application. A minimum TOEFL Score of 213 (computer based), 550 (paper based), or 79 (internet based), or minimum of 6.0 IELTS score is required.

**AGE LIMIT:** The age limit is 25 years as on July 01, 2017 with relaxation of 5 years for reserved category candidates (SC/ST/OBC). For the in-service candidates working in Forest and Wildlife Departments, the age limit is 35 years as on July 01, 2017.

#### **SELECTION PROCESS:**

##### **Indian Candidates:**

Eligible candidates will be required to appear for an online National Eligibility Test (NET) in any one of the 10 Centres (Hyderabad, Bengaluru, Bhopal, Mumbai, Delhi, Lucknow, Dehra Dun, Kolkata, Guwahati and Jammu) on **07 May 2017**. The NET will be for 2 hours duration for 100 marks question paper. The test will have 30 marks multiple-choice questions on General Awareness including Current Affairs, Quantitative Skills, English Language and Computer knowledge; 40 marks multiple-choice questions on environment, forest, wildlife and conservation issues and 30 marks for essay question on an environmental, forest, wildlife or conservation issue(s). Word limit will be 200 only. Shortlisted candidates based on NET screening will be called to take a Personality Aptitude Test (PAT) at Dehra Dun on **29-30 May 2017**. Final selection to the course will be made on the basis of combined merit of 50% marks obtained in the NET and 50% of PAT. Qualified candidates belonging to “General Category” will be interviewed on 29 May, 2017, while qualified reserved category (SC/ST/OBC) candidates will be interviewed on 30 May, 2017.

The selected Indian nationals will have to confirm their joining in the course *i.e* acceptance of selection offer positively by 06 June, 2017 by email. Failing which, the waitlisted candidates in appropriate lists will be offered the seat.

Candidates should note that their candidature is provisional. Their candidature will be deemed final upon verification of eligibility condition with reference to the documents enclosed with their application and as required by the Saurashtra University.

#### **Foreign Candidates:**

All eligible foreign candidates will be interviewed through skype or video conferencing following which their final selection will be made. For foreign nationals, the tentative interview dates through web conferencing are 28 April and 29 April, 2017. The foreign candidates will inform the preference of the interview date through web conferencing and provide complete contact details. The final merit list will be based on 50% marks in the Graduation degree and 50% marks obtained in interview (Maximum marks - 100) based on web conferencing.

#### **HOW TO APPLY:**

##### **Indian Candidates:**

(i) The entire process for registration and NET is “Online”. Details for online registration and NET are likely to appear on the WII’s website (<http://bit.ly/2hENjYp>) latest by 01 March, 2017. Interested candidates/applicants are advised to regularly check WII’s website for latest updates and link for online registration. The online registration process will be open *w.e.f* 02 March, 2017 to 15 April, 2017.

(ii) **All eligible candidates are advised to follow the latest updates on the WII’s website (<http://bit.ly/2hENjYp>) for online registration of applicants, submission of application and payment of application processing fee, etc.**

(iii) All Indian Nationals those in-service are required to register online and route their applications (after successful online registration, application submission and payment of fees) through proper channel to the Course Director, XVI M.Sc. Wildlife Science Course, Wildlife Institute of India, Chandrabani, Dehradun – 248001 (Uttarakhand) by Registered Post positively by 07 May, 2017. However, they may send an advance copy for preliminary consideration. Envelope containing application of in-service candidate being sent through proper channel should be marked **“APPLICATION OF IN-SERVICE CANDIDATE FOR XVI M.SC. WILDLIFE SCIENCE COURSE”**.

(iv) Candidates will be required to fill in their personal, educational and professional experience profiles online besides uploading a recent passport size photograph, scanned copies of school certificate/ valid passport as age proof, marksheet of Graduation degree (Previous/Final year), caste certificate (applicable for candidates seeking reservation quota). Candidates will make the payment of application processing fee (Rs. 1000/- Rupees One thousand only) through the prescribed “Payment Gateway”.

(v) The entrusted online agency will issue “Admit Card” to eligible candidates which can be downloaded from weblink provided. The admit card will have details of Examination Centre, Date and Time of online NET wherein applicants will appear in the NET on their own cost. Applicants will make their own arrangement for travel and accommodation for appearing in the 2 hour online NET.

(vi) The Institute will upload the result of NET and shortlisted candidates for PAT *i.e* those are being called for interview at WII, Dehradun latest by 15 May 2017.

**Foreign Candidates:**

(i) Foreign candidates will be required to fill in their personal, educational profiles online besides uploading a recent passport size photograph, scanned copies of passport with a validity period till 30 June 2019, school leaving certificate, reference letters from 2 persons, proof of International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score (if applicable).

(ii) All eligible foreign candidates are required to pay an application processing fee of US\$ 200 or equivalent. However, SAARC nationals are required to pay US\$ 100 or equivalent. The amount can be transferred electronically to WII account. The **e-banking details are:** Union Bank of India; **Beneficiary** - Director, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun; **Account Number** - 518502010000001; **IFSC Code** - UBIN0551856; **Swift Code** - UBININBBDER; **Purpose** - M.Sc. Wildlife Science Application Fee. Details of e-banking/fee transfer need to be mentioned in application.

(iii) Foreign nationals are advised to follow the latest updates on the WII's website (<http://www.wii.gov.in/latest-events>) for online registration of applicants, submission of application, etc.

(iv) The result of selected foreign nationals will be hosted on WII's website before 28 April, 2017 and selected students will also be informed by email. Selected students have to confirm sponsoring/funding support latest by 05 May, 2017 so as to process their applications for seeking the Government of India's approval from security and political angles. This would ultimately facilitate in obtaining "Study Visa". In the event of failure/no confirmation of sponsorship by 05 May, 2017 the Institute would offer the seat to the waitlisted foreign applicant. In case of "in-service" foreign nationals, applicants need to route application through proper channel after online registration so as to reach WII by 05 May 2017 along with details of sponsorship.

**Important Dates:**

Dates	Indian Nationals	Foreign Nationals
<b>01 March, 2017</b>	Details of online registration and NET available in WII website	Details of online registration available in WII website
<b>02 March, 2017 to 15 April, 2017</b>	Online registration opens	Online registration opens
<b>28 &amp; 29 April, 2017</b>	-	Video conference/skype interview of shortlisted candidates
<b>30 April, 2017</b>	-	Declaration of result of selected candidates

<b>07 May, 2017</b>	-	Intimation of confirmation by email about joining the course
<b>07 May, 2017</b>	Online NET Exam	-
<b>15 May, 2017</b>	Declaration of NET results and shortlisted candidates for PAT	-
<b>29-30 May, 2017</b>	PAT at WII, Dehradun	-
<b>30 May, 2017</b>	Declaration of final result of selected candidates	-
<b>06 June, 2017</b>	Intimation of confirmation to course director by email about joining the course	-
<b>29 June, 2017</b>	Reporting at WII for Joining the course	Reporting at WII for Joining the course

#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- (i) Director, WII reserves the right to re-schedule the NET/PAT/interview in case of foreign nationals and/or change the test centre at its sole discretion, without assigning any reasons thereof, and as warranted by the circumstances.
- (ii) Director, WII reserves the exclusive right to reject any application without assigning any reasons thereof.
- (iii) SC/ST candidates called for the PAT (Personality and Aptitude test) will be paid to and fro train ticket fare (III tier Sleeper) by shortest route from their place of residence to Dehra Dun.
- (iv) Candidates belonging to the SC, ST and OBC category should submit a caste certificate from the competent authority at the time of PAT failing which they will not be allowed to appear the interview.
- (v) All selected students (Indian as well as foreign nationals) will arrive at Dehradun, Uttarakhand, India on 29 June, 2017 and report at the Institute during Office hours (0900-1730 hrs).
- (vi) Candidates/Applicants will send all correspondence related to admission to the Course Director (Telephone: +91-135-2646284, Fax: + 91-135-2640117, E-mail: [cdxvimsc@wii.gov.in](mailto:cdxvimsc@wii.gov.in)) with a copy marked to the Associate Course Director (Telephone: +91-135-2646249, Fax: + 91-135-2640117, E-mail: [acdxdvimsc@wii.gov.in](mailto:acdxdvimsc@wii.gov.in))
- (v) Incomplete applications or those not accompanied by supporting documents will be summarily rejected.
- (vi) If any candidate has been found at any stage to have furnished wrong information or deliberately suppressed any relevant information, his/her candidature/ admission will be rejected/ cancelled as soon as it comes to the notice of either WII or the University concerned.

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**Annexure I**

**FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES APPLYING FOR APPOINTMENT TO POSTS UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

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This is to certify that.....son / daughter of  
.....of village.....District /  
Division .....in the .....State  
..... belongs to the ..... community which is  
recognised as a Backward Class under ----

- \* (i) Government of India, Ministry of Welfare Resolution No. 12011 / 68 / 93-BCC(C) dated the 10<sup>th</sup> September, 1993 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I, Section I No. 186, dated 13<sup>th</sup> September 1993 and
- \* (ii) Government of India, Ministry of Welfare Resolution No.12011/9/94-BCC dated 19<sup>th</sup> October, 1994 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary of Part I, Section I No.163 dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 1994.
- \* (iii) Government of India, Ministry of Welfare Resolution No.12011/7/95-BCC dated 24<sup>th</sup> May 1995 published in Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I, Section I No.88 dated 25<sup>th</sup> May 1995.
- \* (iv) Government of India, Ministry of Welfare Resolution No.12011/44/96-BCC dated 6<sup>th</sup> December 1996 published in Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I, Section I No.210 dated the 11<sup>th</sup> December 1996.

Shri ..... and or his family ordinarily reside(s) in the  
..... District / Division of the  
..... State. This is also to certify that he / she does not belong to  
the persons / sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in column 3 of the Schedule to the Government of  
India, Department of Personnel & Training O.M.No.36012/22/93-Estt.(SCT) dated 08/09/1993.

District Magistrate  
Dy.Commissioner

Dated.....

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*\* strike out whichever is not applicable*

NB (a) The term `ordinarily' used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the Peoples Act, 1950.

(b) The authorities competent to issue caste certificates are indicated below:---

1. District Magistrate / Additional District Magistrate / Collector / Deputy Commissioner/ Additional Deputy Commissioner/ Deputy Collector / I class Stipendary Magistrate / Sub – Divisional Magistrate/ Taluka Magistrate / Executive Magistrate / Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of I Class Stipendary Magistrate).
2. Chief Presidency Magistrate / Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate / Presidency Magistrate.
3. Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar; and
4. Sub – Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and / or his family normally resides.