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The French institute in India recruits, for a 6-month period, **a Deputy of the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation in Mumbai**Full-time temporary position (as vacataire)

effective from 22nd September 2025 to 20th March 2026

Context:

The French Institute in India (IFI) is a service of the French Embassy in India whose mission is to promote cultural, linguistic, educational and academic exchanges and partnerships between France and India

The French Institute in India recruits a "Deputy of the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation" in Mumbai, for a 6-month period. Placed under the hierarchical authority of the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation (ACSU), the Deputy Counsellor and the Counsellor for Educational and Cultural Cooperation, the person recruited carries out her/his mission within the Higher Education and Research team of the IFI in Mumbai, covering the Western territories of India (States of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh and Goa).

The "Deputy of the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation" in Mumbai is comfortable handling her/his duties in both English and French languages, being able to communicate in both languages, whether orally or in written, and always represents the authority of the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation within the CUST (Coopération Universitaire, Sciences et technologies) West team. The person recruited must have a proven record of working at middle management level or more. Having worked in higher education and cooperation is considered an added value, as well as having worked in France.

Job role:

The Deputy of the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation contributes and assists the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation for the development and strengthening of academic partnerships between France and India, covering the Western parts of India.

Main responsibilities:

- Acquire a regional vision of academic partnerships with France; Update the India mapping of these collaborations.
- Support the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation and represent her/him whenever required, and talk/propose in his stead as far as Western zones of India are concerned, and in the frame of Academic cooperation and student mobility only.
- Help the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation to organize regional level events such as weekly team meetings, local ceremonies, and events.
- Organize high level contacts and visits in academic institutions for ACSU or visiting delegations (making contacts, setting up visiting programs, preparing notes).
- Create, professionalize, and update tools for monitoring academic partnerships.
- Maintain an updated database of main contacts within Indian as well as French academic institutions.
- Liaise with prominent Indian academic institutions and always ready to interact with them.

- Anticipate and suggest new developments to streamline Academic cooperation and the bilateral relationships.
- Interact regularly with the Campus France National Coordinator, in relation with the Attaché for Academic and Scientific Cooperation.
- Handle the logistical aspects of the attaché's missions (appointments, hotel bookings, transportation, mission-related expenses report)
- Ability to draft autonomously professional emails in English and in French.

Skills required:

- Proficiency in IT skills: office tools, computer knowledge, filing and pooling;
- Proficiency of communication skills (mailing, social networking, CRM).
- Excellent writing skills in English.
- Very good writing skills in French.
- Excellent knowledge of the Indian university system.
- Very good knowledge of the French university system is a plus but can be acquired through immediate and quick learning.
- Teamwork spirit, involving sharing of values and exchange of skills within multicultural teams.

Personal qualities required:

- Good listening skills and patience
- Excellent communication skills with partners
- Curiosity and will to learn
- Autonomy and initiative
- Sense of responsibility and public service and adaptability to flexible working hours
- Confidentiality when needed for certain projects
- Excellent social skills
- Ability to propose and create
- Ethical approach of the job to be done.

Job requirements:

- Minimum bachelor's level in any field; master's degree is an advantage.
- Flexibility in the working time is required, depending on the sector's activity.
- Full-time temporary position (as vacataire) for 6 months (from 22nd September 2025 to 20th March 2026).
- Fluency in French is mandatory (B2 minimum is expected). Work experience in France is considered an advantage.
- 3 years of proven work experience.

Applications should only be sent through the following address (online form) until 1st September 2025 included.

Application form: https://shorturl.at/YEpk6

The French Institute in India is an equal opportunity employer. We welcome applications from individuals of all backgrounds and abilities and are committed to providing an accessible experience for candidates. Preference may be given to women and individuals from economically and socially disadvantaged backgrounds, provided they meet the job description requirements. At the French Institute in India, we do not tolerate harassment, coercion, sexual exploitation, or abuse in any form.