

Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium, Bangalore

Bangalore Association for Science Education
(A Registered Society of the Government of Karnataka)

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Bangalore Association for Science Education (BASE) which administers the Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium (JNP), Bangalore, **invites applications for the post of Director, JNP.**

BASE is an autonomous body registered under the Karnataka Societies' Registration Act. Its objectives are science popularization, non-formal science education and related activities. JNP has established itself as a reputed Planetarium which conducts sky-theatre shows on astronomical subjects. In its campus it has a Science Park. It also conducts science exhibitions at least twice a year and several workshops for science teachers and students.

The Director, JNP is the Chief Executive Officer of JNP and directs and oversees all the activities of the Planetarium and BASE under direction and guidance of the Governing Council of BASE. The Director, JNP serves as the member-secretary of the BASE Governing Council. These responsibilities call for involvement in the production of planetarium programmes as also, monitoring of the same and other regular activities. This further involves interacting with the scientific academia, the relevant government departments in Karnataka and local government agencies of Bangalore.

The Director is expected to play an active and dynamic role in maintaining the present schedule of activities and taking them to a higher level. In terms of quality and quantity, the Director will strive to make JNP, a world-class Planetarium.

Eligibility:

- ✓ Scientist, engineer or academician serving or retired from government/autonomous bodies with an inclination towards science popularization. Person serving in an institution similar to JNP.
- ✓ A thorough knowledge and experience in the astronomy field is essential.
- ✓ The experience in science popularization will be given weightage.
- ✓ Administrative capability to manage an organization like JNP is also essential.

Qualification:

- ✓ A Ph.D. in astronomy or in physics with work related to astronomical topics.
- ✓ A master's degree in science or a bachelor's degree in engineering with a proven track record of leading science popularization activities for a minimum period of ten years.
- ✓ Knowledge of Kannada is desirable.

Emoluments:

- ✓ JNP follows the Scales of Pay of Government of Karnataka and the position of Director carries Scale of Pay of Rs 26,250–675–30,300–750–34,800–850–36,500 with applicable allowances like DA, HRA and CCA.
- ✓ The gross emoluments presently in this pay scale would be about Rs 50,000 and Rs 70,000 respectively, at the minimum and maximum levels.
- ✓ For a deserving candidate a starting pay higher than the beginning of the mentioned pay scale or a higher scale of pay may be considered.
- ✓ For persons under deputation from other government organizations, the emoluments will be fixed according to existing government rules.
- ✓ For retired persons, the emoluments will be fixed with mutual agreement.

Submission of application:

- ✓ The application should be sent in a hard copy form and include:
 - A detailed curriculum-vitae of the candidate.
 - Names of three references who can be contacted in support of the application.
 - Copies of documents in support of age, experience and qualification.
- ✓ The application should reach the **Director, JNP** on the below mentioned address by **25 November 2011**. The envelope should be clearly super scribed '**Application for the post of Director**'.

The Director, Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium, Sri T Chowdaiah Road, High Grounds, Bangalore 560 001.