Position: Associate Consultant - Regulatory Affairs & Policy Advocacy

Number of Positions: One (01) **Position Code:** CON-61

Consolidated Fee: The consolidated fee for Associate Consultant shall be Rs. 75,000/- per month.

Duration: The engagement is contractual initially for a period of one year which is extendable based on performance and organizational priorities.

Job Description: The Regulatory Affairs & Policy Advocacy (RAPA) division within the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) facilitates innovators in navigating regulatory approval pathways and advocates for policies impacting startups, SMEs, and young entrepreneurs. This Position under RAPA will be responsible for executing the activities detailed below.

Key Responsibilities:

- Management of the "Global Regulatory Knowledge Exchange Forum" by coordinating and drafting responses to public consultations and position papers.
- Organize stakeholders' dialogue on emerging technologies.
- Responsible for recommendation papers, concept notes, policy papers, and publications from RAPA.
- Create and maintain databases, perform market research, and prepare white papers.
- Participate in program-related meetings, panel discussions, prepare minutes and reports for policy dialogues, and other RAPA initiatives.
- Monitor real-time regulatory updates and engage with external stakeholders to identify opportunities and regulatory challenges for startups and innovators.
- Develop evidence papers for senior management.
- Manage meetings and engage with national and international stakeholders, including government entities, state authorities, industry associations, and key officials across public and private sectors.
- Assess the current regulatory landscape and devise an integrated advocacy approach to minimise risks, driving innovation.
- Assist in any other activity of RAPA and work with the team for the timely delivery of assigned tasks.

Essential Qualification:

PhD in any area of Life Sciences/ Biotechnology/ Agri/Plant Sciences/Regulatory Sciences/ Pharma/ Management/ Public Policy or any other related area.

Desirable:

- Post-qualification experience between 3 and 10 years, with at least 2 years in national and international regulatory, policy or related advocacy, or consulting industry.
- Demonstrated writing & oral communication skills in English.
- Experience in research papers, concept note preparation, and data analysis using statistical tools is a plus.

<u>Maximum Age:</u> 45 Years as on closing date of application.

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