School of Environmental Science Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam

Research Fellow (1) and Research Assistant (1)

Applications are invited for the following temporary positions to work in a 3 year research project entitled "*Identification and Quantification of Pharmaceuticals and Personal Care Products (PPCPs) in water and sediments in Vembanad Lake*" sanctioned by the KSCSTE (Govt. of Kerala), Thiruvanathapuram. The details of the positions are-

1. Research Fellow

Number of positions: 1 Total Duration : 3 yrs (however, only performance based extension will be given every year) Fellowship amount: Rs. 22,000 per month Basic Qualification: M.Sc. Chemistry with first class or equivalent Experience (only desirable): experience in handling sophisticated instruments such are HPLC, Mass Spectrometers etc.

2. Research Assistant

Number of positions: 1 Total Duration : 3 yrs (however, only performance based extension will be given every year) Fellowship amount: Rs. 19,000 per month Basic Qualification: M.Sc. Chemistry

Details of the Project: The presence of pharmaceuticals and personal care products (PPCPs) which are classified under *emerging pollutants*, in surface water is a growing concern and their identification in water bodies is, thus, an area of tremendous importance. The proposed work is to develop a new analytical strategy for the simultaneous qualitative and quantitative screening of PPCPs in water and sediment of different parts of Vembanad Lake using mass spectrometry (LC-Q-TOF-MS and GC-MS). Both target analysis and non-target analysis will be carried out to identify maximum number of PPCPs. The identity of the PPCPs will be confirmed by using the fragmentation pattern (in the high resolution mass) and using standards.

Interested candidates may attend a walk-in interview on Feb.4th, 2019 at the School of Environmental Sciences of Mahatma Gandhi Campus at 10.00 AM (Room No.109). Candidates may produce a CV at the time of interview.

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