INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR 2-YEAR INDIA EPIDEMIC INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (EIS) PROGRAMME

(Please visit http://www.ncdc.gov.in/ for more information and prescribed application form)

National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC)-Delhi, in collaboration with the US Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC), is currently hosting the India Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) Programme, modeled on the US EIS Programme. This is a joint venture between India and USA, aimed at preparing public health professionals for leadership positions at district, state and national levels. The National Board of Examinations [NBE] has confirmed that the two year training period of officers of the India EIS Programme will count towards eligibility to Diplomate of National Board (DNB) in Field Epidemiology.

Applications are invited for the enrolment of a minimum of 25 outstanding public health professionals for India EIS, commencing in September 2015 for a period of two years. Out of this, approximately a one month training would be at NCDC with other training opportunities offered throughout the training to fulfill prescribed core activities of learning, to acquire the needed skills of a practicing field epidemiologist.

Eligibility: Regular employees of Central / State Health Service or equivalent (local autonomous bodies) as well as self sponsored candidates. The minimum essential qualifications for selection are:

1. MBBS Degree and MD (Public Health / Preventive and Social Medicine / Community Medicine) OR
   MBBS Degree and MD (Clinical or Para-Clinical) with 2 years' experience (service) OR
   MBBS degree with Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical and Para-clinical field and 3 years of public health experience from any recognized institution OR
   MBBS degree from any recognized institution with five years' minimum work experience in Public Health
2. Age: Not exceeding 45 years as of the last date of application.
3. For government sponsored candidates, presently working in the Central/ State Government/ PSUs like ESI, railways, etc./ State/Municipal Corporations/Local Bodies/etc. and defence, para-military forces, PSUs and autonomous bodies.

Out of 25 seats, 20 seats are government sponsored candidates* and 5 for self sponsored candidates**. In case self sponsored candidates are not available, the seats will be filled up from amongst the state-sponsored candidates. Sponsored candidates shall be paid full salary and other admissible allowances for the two year training period by their sponsoring authority.

Competitive Selection: All applicants, both government sponsored and self sponsored, shall undergo a stringent competitive process for the selection. Sponsorship/ nomination does not automatically guarantee selection. The nominating agencies will recommend and forward the application of employee with the agreement to release the employee to NCDC for the duration of the two-year programme, in case of his/her selection to the course.

Training Fees, etc: No training fee will be charged to the candidate. Monthly and subsistence allowances will be provided. Details available in India EIS Compendium on NCDC website (http://www.ncdc.gov.in/).

Applications shall be accepted in the prescribed application form, which must be e-mailed to eiscellncdc@gmail.com on or before 19 July, 2015. Prospective applicants are urged to visit the NCDC website http://ncdc.gov.in for additional information and prescribed application form. The compendium explaining the India EIS Programme, detailed selection procedures, applicable stipend and allowances is also available at the NCDC-Delhi website. For any further query, please email at eiscellncdc@gmail.com.

*Government sponsored: Regular/Permanent employee of Central/ State Health Service or equivalent viz. ESI, Railways, Municipal Corporation, Local Bodies, etc. and defence, para-military forces, PSUs and autonomous bodies
**Self sponsored: Candidates not from any of the above said organizations/institutions.