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**Title: Research Officer in Sri Lanka**

Partner Organization: Institute for Development of Community Strengths (INDECOS)

Partner Location: Matara, Sri Lanka

Duration: 3-8 months

Time Commitment: Full-time - 35 hours per week

**Assignment Context**

Are you passionate about advancing women's economic empowerment globally? Do you have strong research skills to share?

As a Research Officer with the Institute for Development of Community Strengths (INDECOS) in Matara, Sri Lanka, you will be responsible for conducting research, strengthening the skills and knowledge of partner staff in research concepts and methodologies, and providing recommendations to INDECOS for designing new projects based on your research findings.

Apply today to make a meaningful impact on vulnerable communities in Sri Lanka!

**Roles and Responsibilities:**

\*Please note that these will vary depending on the needs of the partner organization

- Facilitate sessions for partner organization staff, ensuring a clear understanding of research concepts and methodologies
- Support partner staff to develop and implement comprehensive research methodologies to investigate the effects of drug usage on women and children
- Support to develop tools and procedures for data collection, ensuring ethical practices and accuracy in capturing relevant information
- Conduct thorough data analysis, interpreting findings to draw meaningful conclusions
- Support INDECOS to compile necessary data and information from research findings for developing new programs or seeking and securing grants
- Support INDECOS to reduce their environmental footprint by promoting environmentally-friendly research materials and practices
- Participate in pre-assignment training
- Participate in at least 3 public engagement initiatives before, during, or after the assignment. Volunteers will be equipped with the tools, training, and support to achieve these goals. Volunteers will also have one virtual check-in with the Public Engagement Officer throughout the course of their assignment
- Submit reports as required by the partner organization and by WUSC

**Qualifications and Experience**

- Currently pursuing a degree and/or training in social sciences, gender, research for

international development or a related field

- Demonstrated research experience in drug usage, gender based violence and women empowerment for non-profit organizations, businesses/ companies or academic institutions is an asset
- Good writing and presentation skills
- A commitment to gender equality, youth inclusion, and international volunteering
- Flexibility, adaptability, excellent interpersonal skills and cultural sensitivity
- Experience with group facilitation and trainings, including content development considered an asset
- Experience living and working internationally considered an asset
- Written and oral fluency in English

**WUSC's Safeguarding Policy:**

WUSC's activities seek to balance inequities and create sustainable development around the globe; the work ethic of our staff, volunteers, representatives and partners shall correspond to the values and mission of the organization. WUSC promotes responsibility, respect, honesty, and professional excellence and we will not tolerate harassment, coercion and sexual exploitation and abuse of any form. Successful applicants will be required to sign off on the WUSC Code of Conduct and the Self-Disclosure Form.