

## OPPORTUNITIES AT RASTA, PIDE ISLAMABAD

## **RASTA Competitive Grants Program for Policy-oriented Research**

Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE), Islamabad

## **Terms of References**

## YOUNG RESEARCHER DEVELOPMENT INTERN (06 Positions)

The Young Researcher Development Initiative (YRDI) aims to develop the best researchers in the country by providing them an opportunity to work closely with a dynamic team at PIDE. The YRDI offers exposure, practical learning, and research experience to the young researchers (Interns) at PIDE. It is a competitive opportunity for bright young university (research-degree) students and fresh postgraduates (MPhil and PhD).

Every year, 12 post-graduates/PhD candidates will be allowed to compete and secure a place at PIDE for six months, non-extendable. Each 'Young Researcher' will be placed in his/her relevant research section at PIDE under the supervision of the section head and/or at RASTA PMU. This will be a full-time assignment at PIDE in which all Pakistani nationals, regardless of age, gender, religion and ethnicity will be eligible to participate. The upper age limit for all applicants would be 40 years. A stipend of PKR 50,000/- per month (lump sum) will be paid to each 'Young Researcher' to manage his/her expenses.

The RASTA invites applications from qualified young researchers for its various research projects for a period of 06 months. The applicants must be post-graduates or PhD candidates in economics, public policy, or a related discipline. Young Researchers will be expected to actively contribute to the research agenda of the PIDE and RASTA programme. Their KPIs would include organizing webinars, and RASTA events, writing blogs in PIDE Blogs, articles in Discourse magazine, policy viewpoint or knowledge brief, and/or publishing a PIDE-RASTA working paper etc. Young Researchers will be encouraged to participate in PIDE webinars, PSDE conferences, RASTA events and training courses. During their stay at PIDE, YRDI Fellows will be required to pursue their research projects and contribute to the ongoing research drive at PIDE.

It is a full-time assignment-based opportunity at RASTA-PIDE. Interested candidates must email their CVs at <a href="mailto:jobs.rasta@pide.org.pk">jobs.rasta@pide.org.pk</a> within fifteen (15) days of this advertisement. CV document should be named as follows: Province Name-Post Applied-Candidate Name (for example Islamabad-YRDI-Abdul Qayyum). The subject line of the email should also follow the same format. Applicants will be asked to produce their academic credentials and experience certificates mentioned in their CVs during interviews. Only shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview.