Artificial Intelligence innovation and Incubation Center (AI^{3}C)
Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth,
Krishi Nagar, Akola 444102, MS

No. Advt./AI^{3}C/Notification/ 01/2026 Date: 18/11/2026

Call for Applications

Following contractual positions are to be filled purely on contractual basis under the project on establishment of "**Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Incubation Center (AI^{3}C)**" at Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Viduyapeeth, Akola. Interested candidates should send their application in the prescribed proforma given below submitted to the **Nodal Officer and PI, Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Incubation Center (AI^{3}C), Senior Research Scientist Cotton & Oilseeds, Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola 444102 (MS) latest by 02/12//2026 (upto 6.00 pm).** The shortlisted candidates will be called for interview.

The name of the position, eligibility criteria, educational qualification, experience and role and responsibilities of job are as detailed below;

Sr. No.	Name of the post	Number of posts	Educational qualification and experience	Role and responsibilities	Consolidated payment	Age limit	Duration
1.	AI/ML and Data Science Lead	1	Engineering Graduate in AI/ML, Data Science, Computer Science, or related field Strong programming skills (Python, TensorFlow / PyTorch, SQL) Experience in real-world model deployment Total Experience:3 years Relevant Experience in AI/ ML:1 year	**Role Objective:** Lead AI/ML initiatives, mentor incubated startups, and support AI integration in SAU research. **Key Responsibilities:** • Develop AI/ML models for crop analytics, yield prediction, pest/disease detection, climate risk & soil health • Mentor incubated startups in model development, validation and deployment (POC → MVP → Scale) • Integrate AI into SAU research projects and guide scholars on AI-based studies • Build data pipelines linked to MahaAgX, Agristack, CROPSAP, MAHAVEDH etc. • Define AI architecture, data standards and governance protocols • Provide technical vetting of proposals and research projects under AIAIC	Upto Rs. 1,25,000/- Consolidated	Max. 50 years (relaxation possible in exceptional cases)	Upto 31 March, 2029. The appointment is purely temporary and contractual basis and may be terminated at any time.

2.	Geospatial and Remote Sensing Specialist	1	Post-Graduation / Post Graduate Diploma in Geoinformatics, Remote Sensing, GIS, or related domain. Hands-on experience with GIS tools (ArcGIS/QGIS) Experience in spatial data modelling Candidate with Graduation in Agriculture or allied discipline will be preferred Total Experience: 5 years (in GIS and Remote sensing in Agriculture domain)	**Role Objective:** • Provide geospatial intelligence for startups and SAU research using satellite, drone and GIS data. **Key Responsibilities:** • Generate crop maps, NDVI, stress/drought and moisture analysis • Support startups in integrating GIS/remote sensing into their solutions • Assist SAU faculty & students in geospatial research • Develop spatial layers and dashboards for MahaAgX • Support crop insurance, disaster assessment and yield estimation	Upto Rs. 1,25,000/- Consolidated		
3.	Robotics and IoT/Edge Computing Specialist	1	M.Tech/ME/PhD in Robotics, Electronics, Mechatronics and related Experience with microcontrollers, sensors/ IoT and edge computing platforms Total Experience: 5 years	**Role Objective:** • Develop smart agri devices and support startups & SAU in field-based innovations. **Key Responsibilities:** • Design, test and deploy IoT sensor systems and edge devices • Support robotics and smart mechanisation pilots at SAU farms • Mentor hardware startups on design, testing and optimisation • Integrate sensor data with Al systems & MahaAgX • Support smart irrigation, automation and precision farming trials.	Upto Rs. 1,25,000/- Consolidated		
4.	Industry and Startup Liaison	1	MBA/M.Tech / MS or equivalent with experience in innovation ecosystem Strong stakeholder management skills Experience in industry collaboration or startup ecosystem Total Experience: 5 years	**Role Objective:** • Create strong engagement between startup, industry, SAU researchers and AIAIC. **Key Responsibilities:** • Onboard and support startups under incubation. • Coordinate mentoring, demo days, MoUs and field pilots • Link SAU research with industry and funding opportunities	Upto Rs. 1,25,000/- Consolidated		

				• Facilitate commercialisation & technology transfer • Coordinate SAU participation in AI4AGRI 2026 and related events			
5.	Junior Technical Fellow/ Project Associates	2	Agricultural Engineering or any engineering graduate Basic knowledge in research and experimentation Total Experience: 2 years	**Role Objective:** • Provide hands-on technical, research and operational support. **Key Responsibilities:** • Assist in data collection, & processing documentation • Support AI, GIS, IoT and field-based activities • Assist startups and researchers in pilots/trials • Support reports, training & knowledge management	Upto Rs. 70,000/- Consolidated		

1. A consolidated amount as mentioned in the table above will be paid to the selected candidates for the post. *If the candidate does not possess the requisite qualification or has less experience than required, the salary offered may be adjusted according to the level of qualification and experience demonstrated, as determined by the hiring authority/committee.
2. No T.A/ D.A will be paid for appearing in the interview.
3. Shortlisted candidates called for interview must bring detailed biodata affixed with recent passport size photograph of the candidate and self-attested photocopies of certificates in support of age, qualifications, experience, testimonials and other credentials.
4. Candidates must also bring all the original experience/testimonials in support of age, qualifications, experiences.
5. Canvassing in any form will be liable to disqualify the candidates. The selection committee's decision will be final & binding in all respect.
6. Date and venue will be communicated to shortlisted candidates through e-mail only. Candidates will have to report at this institute one hour prior to scheduled date and time with all documents in original for verification etc.
7. The engagements shall be purely on contractual & temporary basis approved by the competent authority of Dr PDKV, Akola.

Terms and conditions:

1. The person so engaged, shall have to execute a contract bond of Rs.100/- before joining the assignment and they will have to abide by the terms and conditions as mentioned in the contract from and as mentioned under this order.
2. The selected candidates engaged shall be liable for discontinuation by the Nodal Officer of the concern scheme without any notice on account of unsatisfactory work or on any other valid ground. Nodal Officer will have authority to terminate the services without mentioning any reason and any prior one month notice on unsatisfactory work which will suffer the project.
3. Since the technical manpower do not have status of regular employee they are not entitled to any regular leave.
4. The selected candidates shall have to join assignment within 10 days from the date of issue of this order, failing which the order shall be treated as cancelled. They shall have to produce all relevant certificates in original to the concern officer for verification.
5. On closer of the above project or in the event of abolition of the position held by the candidate concerned in the project his/her assignment shall stand terminated even before the completion of the tenure of the project by the Nodal Officer of the project.
6. They shall have to give one-month notice failing which one month's pay or a pay for the period of which such notice falls short in the event they leave/ resign the assignment before the expiry of the tenure.

7. The candidate will have no any claim for his/ her continuation of service as will as claim for regular establishment in the service of Dr PDKV, Akola.
8. Candidates shall have to produce all original documents such as. Date of Birth, Educational Qualifications (SSC and above), experience certificate if any no objection certificate if employed to the concerned officer for verification at the time of joining the post.
9. Along with duly filled, in prescribed format application attached with self-attested xerox copies of all supporting documents should be submitted to this office before due date, without any supporting documents & applications not in specified format will be rejected.
10. If project continued the position may likely be re-advertise or continue, it will be sole decision of Nodal Officer of project.
11. Frequently visit the website regarding the updates.
12. AI^{3}C, Dr PDKV, Akola reserves the right to issue or not to issue the appointment orders even after completion of the recruitment process without giving any justification/notice thereof.

The candidates should apply giving full details as per the enclosed prescribed format for the post mentioned above separately. The applications should reach to **Nodal Officer and PI, Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Incubation Center (AI^{3}C), Near Oilseeds Research Centre, Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola 444102 (MS) on or before 02/12/2026 (upto 6.00 pm)** by post or submit the application in person. The applications submitted online will not be considered.

Nodal Officer
Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Incubation Center (AI^{3}C)
Dr PDKV, Akola

Copy submitted with respects for the favour of information to:

1) Under Secretary, Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development and Fisheries Department, Mantralay, Mumbai – 400 032.
2) The Director (Research), MCAER.132/B. Bhamburda, Bhosalenagar, Pune 411 007
3) The Director of Research, MPKV/Dr.PDKV/Dr.BSKKV/VNMKV
4) The TA to Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr PDKV, Akola

Copy f.w.c.s. for information to:

1) In-charge ARIS Cell, Dr PDKV, Akola.

- It is requested to upload this notification on University web site for wide publicity.

Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Incubation Center (AI^3C)

Near Oilseeds Research Centre,

Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola 444102 (MS)

Application Proforma for the post of AI/ML and Data Science Lead, Geospatial and Remote Sensing Specialist, Robotics and IoT/Edge Computing Specialist and Junior Technical Fellow/ Project Associates

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1	**Post applied for**	
2	**Full Name (in Block letters)**	
3	**Father's /Husband Name**	
4	**Gender (tick appropriate) [✓]**	Male [ ] Female [ ]
5	**Date of Birth**	
6	**Age as on / /2026***	Years _____ Months _____ Days _____
7	**Marital Status**	
8	**Mobile Number**	
9	**E-mail Address**	
10	**Correspondence Address (with pin code)**	
11	**Permanent Address**	

13	**Educational Qualification*:**					
	Sr. No.	**Name of degree**	**Board/ University**	**Year of passing**	**Marks/ Percentage OGPA**	**Class**
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	5.					

14	**Work experience*:**					
	Sr. No	**Designation**	**Name of employer**	**Period**		**No. of years and month**
				From	**To**	
	1.					
	2.					
	3.					

15	**Publications (Number only and attached the list separately and provide the copies of full-length papers):** 1. Published papers in Journals: 2. Chapters published in Book: 3. Books published: 4. Popular (extension) articles:
16	**Present employment details**
17	**Additional information, if any***

(**Note:** *The self-attested copies of the certificate/documentary evidence should be provided alongwith the application)

Declaration

I hereby declare that, the information given above by me is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. If any information is being found false, my candidature/Services, if selected, may be terminated without any notice.

Date: Signature of Candidate

Place: (.....)

Note:

1. *Incomplete forms will be rejected.*
2. *All Documents evidence should be readable & clear.*
3. *Please enclose only self-attested true copies of the relevant documents.*
4. *Please take care that e-mail and mobile/phone number are mentioned properly as the further correspondence (if required) will be done through SMS/email only.*

Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Incubation Center (AI^3C)
Near Oilseeds Research Centre,
Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola 444102 (MS)

Application Proforma for the post of Industry and Startup Liaison
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3	**Father's /Husband Name**	
4	**Gender (tick appropriate) [✓]**	Male [ ] Female [ ]
5	**Date of Birth**	
6	**Age as on / /2026***	Years _____ Months _____ Days _____
7	**Marital Status**	
8	**Mobile Number**	
9	**E-mail Address**	
10	**Correspondence Address (with pin code)**	
11	**Permanent Address**	

Educational Qualification (Enclose self-attested copies)

Qualification	Board/University	Year of passing	Percent obtained	Class	Subject
SSC					
HSC					
Graduation					
Post Graduation					
NET					
Additional qualification as per job qualification requirement					

Award/Medal (related to incubation/startups):.....

Fellowship/Scholarship (related to incubation/startups): .....

Publications (relevant to Business Development / Startup ecosystem): .....

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2).....

3).....

Experience relevant to business development / startup (enclose documentary evidences)

Name of employer	Post held	Pay scale	From (dd/mm/yy)	Upto (dd/mm/yy)	Total experience in years

IP experience incubation experience/any other relevant experience (if any)

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