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ADVERTISEMENT

Chanakya National Law University (CNLU), Patna, through the CNLU–GIGA Cyber Security and Data Protection Compliance Research Unit (CS-DPCRU), invites online applications from eligible candidates for engagement on a purely contractual and project-based footing to the following research positions. The scope of work, essential qualifications and other eligibility conditions for each post are as follows:

Interested candidates should upload their filled-in scanned application form in the prescribed format, along with the relevant documents, through the following **Google Form Link only**, latest by **Monday, the 10th August, 2026 up to 5:00 p.m.**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HUNBv6ybGTjYaJ4HATtTvVGxalFpSIAzJ9JuyKF4A5Y/preview>

Sl. No.	Name of Posts	Total No. of Seats	Monthly Consolidated Salary
1.	Research Associate (Law)	01 (One)	₹ 60,000/-
2.	Research Associate (Cyber Security)	01 (One)	₹ 60,000/-
3.	Research Assistant (Policy)	01 (One)	₹ 40,000/-
4.	Research Assistant (Governance, Risk & Compliance – GRC)	01 (One)	₹ 40,000/-

The engagement shall initially be for a period of one year, extendable on the basis of project performance and availability of funds. The place of work shall be Chanakya National Law University, Patna, and the incumbent shall report to the Principal Investigator / Director, CS-DPCRU. The expected deliverables include research publications, policy papers, technical reports, project documentation, training modules and capacity-building programmes, and support for sponsored research and consultancy projects.

1. Research Associate (Law)

About the Position

The Research Associate (Law) will undertake legal research relating to cyber laws, digital governance, data protection, privacy, artificial intelligence, cybercrime investigations, digital evidence, and emerging technology regulations. The position requires working closely with interdisciplinary teams comprising legal scholars, cybersecurity professionals, policy experts, and government stakeholders.

Key Responsibilities

- Conduct advanced legal research on cybersecurity, cybercrime, digital forensics, AI governance, and privacy laws.
- Analyse Indian and international legislation including the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023, the Information Technology Act, 2000 and its related rules, the Digital Personal Data Protection Rules, CERT-In Directions, and sectoral regulations.
- Draft research papers, policy briefs, reports, legal opinions, and white papers.
- Assist in preparing model policies, compliance frameworks, and legal documentation.

- Support capacity-building programmes for government departments, judiciary, law enforcement agencies, and industry.
- Coordinate with project partners including government agencies and industry stakeholders.
- Publish research in Scopus-indexed or peer-reviewed journals.
- Assist in organising conferences, workshops, seminars, and executive training programmes.
- Prepare project reports and documentation for funding agencies.

Essential Qualification

- LL.M. with specialisation in Cyber Law, Technology Law, Information Technology Law, or Data Protection and Privacy Law.
- The candidate must have published at least one research paper in a Scopus-indexed or peer-reviewed journal. Proof of publication (DOI / journal link) must be enclosed with the application.

Desirable Skills

- Excellent legal research and drafting skills.
- Knowledge of cyber laws and data protection.
- Experience in legal databases and citation standards.
- Good communication and presentation skills.

2. Research Associate (Cyber Security)

About the Position

The Research Associate (Cyber Security) will contribute to research, development, and capacity-building initiatives in cybersecurity, digital forensics, cyber threat intelligence, and cyber resilience.

Key Responsibilities

- Conduct research in cybersecurity technologies and cyber defence.
- Assist in vulnerability assessment and penetration testing (VAPT) research.
- Develop cybersecurity frameworks, best practices, and technical guidelines.
- Participate in cyber incident analysis and cyber threat intelligence research.
- Assist in digital forensics research projects.
- Prepare technical reports, white papers, and research publications.
- Develop laboratory exercises and training material.
- Deliver technical sessions in workshops and executive programmes.
- Coordinate with industry experts and government agencies.
- Support funded research projects.

Essential Qualification

- M.Tech./M.E./M.Sc. in Cyber Security, Information Security, Computer Science, Digital Forensics, or equivalent.

Desirable Certifications

- CEH
- CHFI
- Security+
- CISSP / CISM / CISA
- ISO 27001 Lead Auditor/Implementer
- Any recognised cybersecurity certification.

Desirable Skills

- Network Security
- Linux Administration
- Digital Forensics
- Malware Analysis
- Threat Intelligence
- Python scripting
- Cloud Security

3. Research Assistant (Policy)

About the Position

The Research Assistant (Policy) will support policy research on digital governance, cybersecurity policy, emerging technologies, digital economy, AI governance, and regulatory frameworks.

Key Responsibilities

- Assist in policy research and literature review.
- Collect and analyse national and international policy documents.
- Prepare policy briefs, concept notes, and reports.
- Monitor developments in cybersecurity and technology policy.
- Conduct stakeholder consultations and surveys.
- Maintain project documentation.
- Support preparation of grant proposals.
- Assist in organising workshops and policy dialogues.
- Support publication activities.

Essential Qualification

- Master's Degree in Public Policy, Political Science, Economics, International Relations, Law, Public Administration, or related discipline.

Desirable Skills

- Excellent analytical ability.
- Strong report writing.
- Data analysis.
- Presentation skills.
- MS Office proficiency.

4. Research Assistant (Governance, Risk & Compliance – GRC)

About the Position

The Research Assistant (GRC) will support projects related to information security governance, risk management, compliance assessment, cybersecurity standards, and organisational resilience.

Key Responsibilities

- Assist in development of cybersecurity governance frameworks.
- Conduct compliance assessments against ISO 27001, NIST CSF, CIS Controls, the DPDP Act, 2023, CERT-In Directions, and sector-specific regulations.

- Support cyber risk assessments and gap analysis.
- Assist in drafting security policies, SOPs, and compliance documentation.
- Prepare risk registers and compliance reports.
- Support implementation of Governance, Risk & Compliance (GRC) programmes.
- Develop awareness and training materials.
- Assist in audits and documentation.
- Contribute to research publications and technical reports.

Essential Qualification

- B.Tech./M.Tech./M.Sc. in Cyber Security, Information Security, Computer Science, Information Technology, or MBA (Information Systems/Risk Management) with relevant experience.

Desirable Certifications

- ISO 27001 Lead Auditor/Implementer
- Certified in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC)
- CISA
- Security+
- NIST Cybersecurity Framework knowledge

Desirable Skills

- Information Security Governance
- Risk Assessment
- Compliance Auditing
- Cybersecurity Standards
- Documentation and Reporting
- MS Excel and Power BI (preferred)

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND ESSENTIAL INFORMATION:

- ❖ Candidates must apply in the prescribed application form only. The prescribed application form is available on the University website along with this advertisement. The filled-in and signed application form, along with self-attested copies of all supporting documents, must be scanned and uploaded through the Google Form link given above, latest by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, the 10th August, 2026.
- ❖ A candidate may apply for one post only. Where applications are received for more than one post, only the first application received shall be considered.
- ❖ Applications that are incomplete, unsigned, or received after the last date shall not be considered.
- ❖ Candidates must possess the prescribed qualification as on the last date of application. Candidates whose results are awaited need not apply.
- ❖ The University shall not be responsible for any delay in the transmission or receipt of applications.
- ❖ For any difficulty in submitting the application, candidates may write to csdfc@cnlu.ac.in.
- ❖ Selection shall be made on the basis of the candidate's previous record and performance in the interview. Shortlisting shall be done on the basis of qualification, publications and relevant experience.
- ❖ Mere fulfilment of the minimum qualifications shall not entitle a candidate to be called for interview. The University may adopt higher shortlisting criteria where the number of applications is large.
- ❖ Candidates shall have to produce original documents at the time of appearing for the interview.

- ❖ The date of interview will be communicated to the shortlisted candidates through their e-mail. All correspondence with the applicant will be done through the same e-mail ID.
- ❖ The engagement is purely temporary and contractual, co-terminus with the project, and the appointee shall have no claim to any permanent post in future.
- ❖ The consolidated remuneration is inclusive of all allowances and is subject to deduction of tax at source and other applicable statutory deductions. No HRA, medical or other benefits shall be admissible.
- ❖ The position is full-time and requires the candidate to be present on the University campus. The candidate shall not undertake any other employment or assignment during the tenure of the contract.
- ❖ Leave shall be admissible as per the norms of the project and the University.
- ❖ The contract may be terminated by either side on one month's notice, and shall stand terminated on completion or closure of the project.
- ❖ The University reserves the right to relax any of the qualifications or experience in deserving cases.
- ❖ The University reserves the right to withdraw the advertised post at any time without assigning any reason. The right is also reserved with the University either to fill or not to fill the post, and its decision in this regard shall be final.
- ❖ The appointee shall have no claim for the permanent post in future.
- ❖ No TA/DA will be paid to the candidates attending the interview.
- ❖ Canvassing in any form may lead to cancellation of candidature.
- ❖ The University reserves the right to make changes, if necessary.
- ❖ All disputes shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts at Patna.

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Registrar
CNLU, Patna