Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may be aware, Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) has a vast academic exchange programme and one of the major activities of ICCR is to run Chairs of Indian Studies in foreign Universities in various fields related to Indology, culture and languages.

2. The Council deputes experts on various subjects such as Hindi language, Political Science, International Relations, History, Philosophy, Sociology, Economics, Cultural Studies, Sanskrit, Buddhist Studies etc. on short-term basis for the duration of 3-6 months at the Universities abroad after signing an agreement with the universities. For this purpose, the Council would like to create a panel of experts in these fields. Given the eminence of your University and faculty, we request you to kindly disseminate the above information among interested faculty members and encourage them to apply in the proforma available at www.iccr.gov.in (also enclosed for ease of reference). The University may short-list the applications and send their nominations with Profile of the selected applicants for considering them for Chairs abroad. Candidates up to the age of 65 years, having doctoral degree in the field with at least 8-10 years of experience at Graduate/Post-Graduate level will be preferred.

3. As per norms, ICCR provides monthly salary (basic pay, quantum of additional allowance in local foreign currency), to & fro airfare, expenses for unaccompanied baggage allowance, visa fee and the host university provides medical insurance, accommodation, office space to the Visiting faculty on the Chair.

4. The selected candidate shall be deputed by ICCR for short-term (3 to 6 months) or medium-term (upto one year) duration. The Indian university/college will have to relieve the candidate for the duration of the Chair.

5. I look forward to receiving nominations of best and brightest candidates.

Warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Prashant Pise

The Vice Chancellor / Head of Institute
as per the list of Association of Indian Universities (AIU)