Research Associate (Marine)

Reporting to Direct-Manager Conservation (Marine)
Duty Station Karachi
Employment Grade B1/Research Associate
Contract Short-term
Work Week 05 Days/Week (Monday to Friday)
Work Hours 40 hours a week

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITY

The position will be responsible to support in the implementation of the project focused on the establishing a baseline of Abandoned, discarded and lost fishing gear (ALDFG) through field surveys and interviews of fishers in Sindh and Balochistan. He/She will also help in compiling the data collected into an excel based database. The position will also assist in supporting other ongoing projects of marine programme.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

• Support in the implementation of the Projects establishing a baseline of Abandoned, discarded and lost fishing gear (ALDFG) including field research, workshop organization and documentation of Project activities, etc.
• Interact closely with regional/field staff and provide necessary assistance supervision on the project, implementation, and monitoring under the supervision of Manager Conservation for the aforementioned Project
• Support to organise workshops and stakeholder consultative sessions, Focus Group Discussions and develop associated documents of the project when and where needed
• Compile data into the database and prepare field reports
• Provide support to the conservation/marine team in developing education material on various priority species of WWF and environmental issues of the country when needed.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

• A well-proven personal commitment to nature conservation;
• An aptitude for team work; a willingness to travel to remote field sites and to work in harsh conditions and physical fitness to work for extended periods in a challenging physical and social environment,
• Excellent report-writing skills (in English), presentation skills and excellent computer literacy.

QUALIFICATION & EXPERIENCE

Ideal candidate for the position should have:

• Atleast a Master’s or a four-year bachelor degree in zoology, ecology, marine sciences, fisheries, environmental science, or any relevant field with minimum 6 months of relevant work experience.
• A good track record of scientific publications would be considered an extra advantage.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS
• A good understanding of field based research and knowledge to subject of marine and fisheries resources of Pakistan
• Experience in working with communities on natural resource related issues established through relevant work experience;
• Knowledge of local languages including Balochi and Sindhi would be an asset
• Sensitivity to gender and other current social issues in countries such as Pakistan;