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# ANALYST- BUSINESS, ECONOMIC & FINANCIAL RESEARCH ASPIRE IMPACT MISSION INITIATIVES PVT. LTD.

Aspire Impact (or Aspire), a leading social enterprise in leadership skills and social impact ecosystem development, is seeking to hire an Analyst responsible for Business, Economic & Financial Research, working from home, even after the pandemic recedes.

## **Background**

Aspire was founded in 2007. As a social enterprise focused on Employability and Skills Development, Aspire pioneered Employability Education in India, training over 65,000 unemployed youth in Tier 2/3 cities for new economy jobs. It received many awards and recognitions, including the \$100,000 McNulty Prize from The Aspen Institute, India's Top50 Initiatives from Business Today, Young Turk from CNBC and Education Czar from HT-MINT.

# Aspire v3.0

Aspire in its new avatar, will be a leadership skills and ecosystem development initiative for social and environmental impact with 7 products across 2 divisions:

- I. EDUCATION DIVISION: inherits two products from Aspire v2.0 which are:
  - a. LeadershipPro: Our most successful product to date is the middle-school and senior-school values-based training program, in partnership with GVV at Darden School of Business, University of Virginia
  - b. AssessPro: Our online leadership assessments
- II. IMPACT DIVISION: has four products, all new pursuits:
  - a. Executive Education: Online Impact Specialist & Impact Investment executive education programs to be followed by a Chief Impact Officer Exed Program
  - b. Impact Assessments: Partner a global leader to do impact audits, assessments and certifications for impact enterprises and big business alike
  - c. Start-Up Support: Partner a global major to offer their online training programs and global network to Indian impact accelerators & incubators; and,
  - d. Impact Future Project (Think-Tank) & Festival: Build 10 online sectoral Impact communities, of 30-50 leaders each (300-500 leaders in all), to brainstorm the Impact Future for India and the world along with an annual Impact Ideas Festival

Aspire currently has a small 12-member team supplemented by Interns. We are hiring a few more team members to enhance team capabilities.

## **Aspire Circle**

Aspire had additionally promoted Aspire Circle (www.aspirecircle.org), a not-for-profit initiative in 2014, with a distinguished group of Trustees & Governors, which offers Fellowships to social leaders (CSR Heads, Foundation Heads, Impact Investors, Impact Entrepreneurs, NGO Heads) to become more enlightened leaders. Aspire Circle today has over 176 Fellows across 8 cohorts, including pre-eminent leaders from India's social sector. The 9<sup>th</sup> cohort will be launched in Q1, 2021. Additionally, Aspire Circle has awarded 3 scholarships annually of INR 1 Lac each for 10 years.

#### **Impact Future Project**

The Impact Future Project, is a thought leadership forum, created by Aspire Impact and Aspire Circle, with 300 business, investment, non-profit, media & government leaders, to envision our "Impact Future" and catalyse India Inc. with necessary knowledge & research, awareness & advocacy, and education & training.



# Role & Responsibilities of Analyst- Business, Economic & Financial Research

The Analyst must be mission-minded, self-starter and determined executive. S/he will ideally be between 25-30 years of age, with 2-7 years' experience, and, be prepared for a startup experience. S/he may or may not have any prior Social Impact or Development sector experience. S/he will receive a market compensation, as per development sector norms.

The key responsibilities of the Analyst will include but not be limited to the following:

- 1. Create Business Plans, Product Plans, Market Strategies, Competition Updates & Progress Reviews for Aspire leadership team, Board and all stakeholders
- 2. Build Exed curriculums with in-depth case studies for our Impact Specialist Program (ISP) and Impact Investment Program (IIP)
- 3. Directly manage, research and author documents for sectoral communities at Impact Future Project or IFP
- 4. Work with Knowledge Partners to ensure complimentarity and quality of research / documents for IFP and other initiatives
- 5. Research & Support OpEds, Articles, Press Materials, White Papers, Books & other Knowledge Collateral required to grow Aspire's leadership as a thought leader
- 6. Quality Assure, Review and Check products of our RISE Interns who assist with ExEd or IFP knowledge products
- 7. Updates on Market Intelligence for Newsletters: Help Marketing create regular newsletters with market intelligence and sectoral / policy updates
- 8. Internal Presentations: Structure, edit and improve internal presentations & documents
- 9. Build and manage databases for impact enterprises, impact investors, asset owners, and other impact actors, to keep Aspire ahead in Impact science

#### Qualifications

As a start-up in a new sector, the Analyst should be flexible and adaptable to emerging realities and trends- the above products may change a lot with the market developments. S/he must therefore possess the following qualifications:

- Post Graduate Degree in Business or Social Development
- Minimum of 2 years' experience
- Detail-orientation with ability to produce high-quality research documentation
- Strong English-level communication skills (written and verbal)
- Good understanding of financial statements
- Authentic interest in the social and environmental impact sector
- Established track record of performance

Interested candidates must write to:

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