HIMACHAL PRADESH GRAMIN BANK



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VACANCIES FOR FINACIAL LITERACY COUNSELLORS

HP Gramin Bank invites applications from qualified and interested individuals for working as Financial Literacy Counselors with HP Gramin Bank on contract basis for a period of 3 years in the Districts:

S.No. Name of District		FL Center	
1	Mandi	Nagchala, Mandi	
2	Chamba	Chamba	
3	Kangra	Bhawarna	

The contract period may be extended by the bank based on the performance of the counselor.

Eligibility Conditions of Financial Literacy Counselors (FLCs):

- **1.** As FLCs are expected to play a crucial role in assisting and guiding the distressed individuals, only well qualified / trained counselors are selected to the center. The applicant should have enough banking knowledge. The Counselors should have sound knowledge of banking, law, finance, requisite communication and team building skills, etc.
- **2.** The age limit of the applicant should not be above 62 years. The contract period of the Counselor not more than three years and in exceptional cases the same can be extended for a further period of two years or on attaining 65 years of age whichever is earlier, based on the performance of the Counselor.
- **3.** Honorably Retired (VRS or Super Annuation) from Service of RRBs / Nationalized Banks after serving a minimum of 10 years in Officer Grade.
- **4.** The applicant should have good financial discipline. The selected Counselor is required to give an undertaking to the effect that he has not involved in any financial irregularities including overdues in loans availed, at the time of accepting the offer of appointment. Objectives of Financial Literacy Centres The broad objective of the Financial Literacy Centre (FLCs) will be to provide free financial literacy /education.

The specific objective of the FLC s would be:

- **1.** To provide financial counselling services through face-to-face interaction as well as through other available media like e-mail, fax, mobile phone etc. as per the convenience of the interested persons, including education on responsible borrowing, proactive and early savings, and offering debt counselling to individuals.
- **2.** To educate the people in rural and urban areas with regard to various financial products and services available from the formal financial sector.
- **3.** To make the people aware of the advantages of being connected with the formal financial sector.
- **4.** To take up any such activity that promotes financial literacy, awareness of the banking services, financial planning and amelioration of debt related distress of an individual.
- **5.** The FLCs in coordination with the link branch would also conduct outdoor financial literacy camps with focus on financially excluded people. For the purpose, the assistance from

experienced NGO may also be taken. The focus of the FLCs is on simple messages of financial literacy. The Counsellor working at FLCs should be provided training in behavior orientation with periodic knowledge up-gradation on various banking products and services so as to enable them to work as effective trainers. FLCs should not however, act as investment advice centers /marketing centers for products of any particular bank/banks/financial entity.

The roles and responsibilities of Counselors:

- 1. Counselors have to establish rapport with various Government Departments, Banks, NGOs, Farmers Clubs etc.
- 2. Conduct the programs in the Villages. Counselors have to visit the Villages continuously. Counselors are advised to address the public in different meetings and seminars. (conduct / attend at least 7 outdoor seminars / meetings with a cumulative participation of minimum 700 members every month).
- 3. They have to involve in transfer of technology to the Villages from Krishi Bhavans, Agricultural Departments etc. They have to conduct awareness programs on Dairy, Agriculture and other related areas. They meet the farmers and interact with them in the meetings and give clarifications about their doubts and clarify the same by giving proper explanations. They will also guide them on points, like how to become a bank customer, how to save with Banks, what are the types of deposit accounts, the rate of interest for deposits in various Banks, the details of nomination facilities, security norms, repayment of loans, the risk and responsibility of standing as co-obigant or guarantor for loans, the benefits of insurance products, fund transfer, prompt repayment of loans etc.
- 4. They have to involve in rural development activities.
- 5. They have to educate the villagers on banking products and services.
- 6. Each Counselor has area of operation of one entire District.
- 7. They have to associate with local Gram Panchayat and organize the programs to educate the villagers and bring changes /development in the village.
- 8. They have to liaise with the Link Branch of the Bank for providing the feedback and carrying out the instructions.
- 9. They are required to submit monthly progress report, tour programmes and work done report to the Link branch in the format appended, before 5th of every month with a copy of the same to concerned Regional Office and Planning & Development Department, HO
- 10. They may liaise with District Industries Centre and such other institutions and conduct programmes on Small & Micro Enterprises. They shall also attend Entrepreneurship Development Programmes, Karshika-Mela and other development programmes conducted by Government agencies and take advantage of these programmes to spread the message of FLC concept. They shall also take the advantage of interacting with Self Help Groups and educate them about the proper utilization of the loan facilities available from Banks and prompt repayment of loans.
- 11. They have to involve actively in popularizing the Social Security schemes viz. PMJJBY, PMSBY and APY Interested candidates to contact corresponding regional office of HP Gramin Bank.

Selection Procedure: Based on the applications, Interviews will be conducted through offline mode by Head Office, Mandi. Candidates will not be provided any reimbursement facility for attending Interviews.

<u>Important Dates:</u> Application shall be send on mail ID <u>fmdevhpgb@hpgbank.co.in</u> and on <u>hodevhpgb@hpgbank.co.in</u>. **Last date to apply is October 13, 2023** and Interview date will be informed vide mail ID.

Remuneration: Financial Counselors are paid a fixed remuneration of Rs. 15000/- per month. They are also eligible for Mobile and Travel allowance on submission of bills.

Leave entitlement: Casual Leave: - 1 day for every completed month

Discontinuation of Service: On attaining the age of 65 years or if performance services of the FLC Counselor is not satisfactory or for any other reason; bank has right to terminate the services of FLC counselor by giving one-month advance notice. FLC counselor also is required to give one-month advance notice in case he / she wants to quit.

For any query regarding eligibility / terms of service candidates may write to us on fmdevhpqb@hpqbank.co.in

(Darshan Garg) General Manager

ANNEXURE - I

APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF FINANCIAL LITERACY COUNSELLOR ON CONTRACTUAL BASIS

Paste Passport To, size Photograph **General Manager** Please sign **HP Gramin Bank** across Head Office, Jail Road Photograph Mandi - 175001 Dear Sir, With reference to your advertisement on Bank's website/Newspaper dated______, I submit my application in prescribed format. 1. NAME (in full)-____ 2. ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE: 3. CATEGORY(GEN/SC/ST/OBC):______ 4. If person with Disability: Type of disability: Percentage of disability: 5. DATE OF BIRTH (As per School leaving Certificate): Age in completed years as on .../.../ Years 6. Contact Details: LANDLINE No. **MOBILE NO. -**E-MAIL ID-7. GENDER: 8. NATIONALITY: 9. RELIGION: **10. MARTIAL STATUS:**

11. FATHER's/ Husband's NAME:

13. EDUCAT	ION QUALIFICA	TION:				
Qualification	Details (B.A./B.Sc/ M.A./M.Sc etc.)	Board/ University	Full time/ Part Time	Year of Passing	Subject/ Specialization	Marks (Rank if any)
Graduation						
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	M.A./M.Sc etc.)	University	Part Time	Passing	Specialization	(Rank if any)
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Professional Qualification						
Others/ Computer Knowledge						

14. RELATIVE EXPEREINCE - Total (in years) _____

12. PERMANENT ADDRESS: _____

			Duration				
SN	Name of Bank	Designation	From	То	Responsi bilities	Pay Scale	Extra Ordinary Achievements

15. Details of Past Employment:

- a) Organization:
- b) Full Address:
- c) Position:
- d) Reporting To:
- e) Date of Joining:
- f) Date of Leaving:
- g) Total Experience (In Year)
- h) Salary/Compensation Presently Drawn:
- 16. Date of Issue of Service Certificate of Previous Employer:

	 Details of Present Employment: a) Organization b) Full Address: c) Position: d) Reporting To: e) Date of Joining: f) Date of Leaving: g) Total Experience (In Year) h) Salary/Compensation Presently Drawn: 	
	Brief detail of experience in the Bank in respect of Development In-charge/ as Faculty/as LDM, etc.	working in Rural area /as Rural
19. ————————————————————————————————————	. Significant Achievement (If Any) in respect of above	ve assignments-
	. Name and addresses of two references-	
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DECLARATION:

I hereby declare that the particulars furnished above are true and correct to the best of knowledge and belief and I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect or incomplete application at any stage or not satisfying the eligibility criteria according to the requirements of the relative advertisement, my candidature/ appointment for the said post is liable to be cancelled/terminated at any stage and if appointed, my service are liable to be terminated.

I hereby declare that I am not in default of any loan and any outstanding finance individually or jointly in my name is not running overdue.

I hereby agree that any legal proceedings in respect of any matter of claims or disputes arising out of this application and/or out of said advertisement can be instituted by me only at place of concerned Regional office and Courts/tribunals/forums at said center only.

I undertake to abide by all the terms and conditions mentioned in the advertisement displayed on Banks website dated .

(Signature o	of applicant)
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Place:			
Date: _			

Enclosures: Copy of All Educational Qualification/Experience certificate /other relevant document.

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