

SOUTH ASIAN ASSOCIATION FOR REGIONAL COOPERATION SECRETARIAT

No. SAARC/SA/STAC/2025

The Secretariat of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) presents its compliments to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of the Member States and with reference to its Note Verbale of even number dated 13 August 2025 regarding the recruitment announcement for the post of Research Officer (Professional) at the SAARC Tuberculosis & HIV/AIDS Centre (STAC), Kathmandu, Nepal and has the honour to state that the deadline for submission of applications for the vacant position is **extended till 20 October 2025.**

The Secretariat requests the esteemed Member States to take necessary measures for widest possible circulation of the new deadline, including uploading on the websites of the following:

- 1. Ministry of Foreign/External Affairs;
- 2. Relevant Ministry (ies) and offices;
- 3. Relevant professional organizations/bodies/institutions; and
- 4. Relevant publicly accessible sites.

A copy of letter No. STAC/Re-Advert.R.P.-01-/2025/146, dated 12 September 2025 from STAC is enclosed. It may be noted that the qualification, experiences, job description, recruitment procedures, allowances & other entitlements will remain the same. Prescribed Application Form can be downloaded from the STAC's website (www.saarctb.org).

The Secretariat of SAARC avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs of the Member States, the assurances of its highest consideration.

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Kathmandu, 13 september 2025

Ministries of Foreign/External Affairs, (SAARC Division), Member States of SAARC.

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12 September 2025

Your Excellency,

I have the honor to refer the Secretariat vide message no 753 05 57 dated 13 August, 2025, regarding the recruitment announcement for the post of Research Officer (Professional) at the SAARC Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS Centre (STAC) with the submission deadline of 15 September 2025.

In regard to the current situation in Nepal, the Centre would like to request an extension of the submission deadline of all potential applications until 20 October 2025.

The Terms of Reference along with Application Form are available in Centre's website-www.saarctb.org.

I would be grateful, if the SAARC Secretariat could kindly facilitate the circulation of this extension of deadline for Research Officer (Professional) among the Member States.

With best regards,

Yours Sincerely,

Dr. Anuj Bhattachan Director

H.E. the Secretary General SAARC Secretariat Kathmandu, Nepal

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