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## **Invitation for Applications - LPAI Internship Programme 2025**

The Land Ports Authority of India (LPAI) is pleased to announce its annual internship program for the academic year 2025-26. This program provides a unique opportunity for students and research scholars from BBIN countries (Bhutan, India, Nepal, and Bangladesh) to gain practical experience in land port development, cross-border trade, passenger movement, and border issues.

**Enhanced Collaboration:** The LPAI internship program extends invitations to talented students across the BBIN region, including India. This expansion promotes regional collaboration and facilitates the exchange of knowledge and perspectives on land port development within South Asia.

## **Program Highlights:**

- Open to Students from BBIN Countries: The program welcomes qualified students from India and other BBIN countries, fostering a diverse and enriching learning environment.
- Focus on Northeast India: We encourage applications from students interested in addressing land port development's unique challenges and opportunities in India's Northeast states.
- **Diverse Research Methods:** Interns can engage in various research methods, including policy-oriented research, social impact assessments, and economic impact assessments. Past intern reports serve as valuable resources for future exploration.
- **Stipend:** No stipend is paid for the internship period. However, any expense incurred in the efficient conduct of the internship can be reimbursed with prior approval of the competent authority.
- **Program Duration:** The internship program lasts two months, with a possible extension of up to three months, subject to approval.

**Application Process:** For detailed eligibility criteria and the selection process, please refer to the LPAI Internship Guidelines available on our website at Internship | Land Ports Authority of India: <a href="https://www.lpai.gov.in">www.lpai.gov.in</a> The guidelines are also attached to this email.

**Application Deadline:** Qualified applicants are invited to submit their applications, CVs, preferred areas of research interest, and two references by **May 10, 2025**, to <a href="mailto:dir.opr-lpai@gov.in">dir.opr-lpai@gov.in</a> and cc to <a href="mailto:advisor@lpai.info">advisor@lpai.info</a>.

We encourage you to share this announcement with students in your institution who might be interested in this program.

The LPAI internship program offers students and research scholars a rewarding opportunity to gain valuable experience and contribute meaningfully to land port development. We look forward to receiving applications from enthusiastic and motivated individuals across the region.