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TANA International Internship Program For Youth (2011)

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Dear all,

Greetings! Welcome to the TANA_IIP Program and congratulations for your interest. As you know, this is the third time that we are conducting this program successfully and I would like to seek your patient and positive approach as we refine the process. We will make all efforts to ensure that our mutual goals are met during this Internship Program.

The main objective of this program is: ***To promote Telugu culture and bonds to Andhra Pradesh among younger generation of Americans of Telugu origin. This program will provide the Scholars the direct experience of living and working conditions during their internship period in Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India.***

The Highlights of the Program are:

- ◆ This program is a structured and supervised by TANA_IIP team and managed in Hyderabad by Vegesna Foundation (VF) (www.vegesnafoundation.org), a well-known charitable organization specializing serving differently-abled children. Vegesna Foundation has done an excellent job of hosting, facilitating and coordinating the first two batches of TANA_IIP graduates in 2007 & 2009. Selected candidates must abide by the rules and regulations of TANA_IIP Scholars Program.
- ◆ Candidates will be housed in secure dormitory type gender-specific accommodations (with separate facilities for women and air-conditioned rooms) and transportation will be provided from dorm to point of work. Efforts will be made to ensure internet/wireless connectivity in respective accommodations.
- ◆ On selected weekends, Vegesna Foundation (on behalf of TANA) will organize outings to various point of importance such as historical places (Charminar, Golconda Fort), Entertainment (Shopping centers, Ramoji Studios), Interesting places like Assembly Hall, Academic Institutions like Indian School of Business (ISB), Osmania and Central Universities, etc. There will be visits to experience typical village and small town life also. This will provide an all round experience and knowledge to participants. Participation in these outings is mandatory.
- ◆ All candidates and their parents/local guardians should understand that this is a serious internship training program and any family/personal outings should take place outside the 6-week internship program. This rule will be strictly enforced.
- ◆ Candidates will be free to make their own plans during other days as well as other free evenings. TANA will not be responsible for their expenditures at these times. Candidates are encouraged to make their own assessment of local expenses and prepare accordingly.
- ◆ All Candidates have to follow the instructions of the TANA local representative/House warden regarding conduct, upkeep and timings for entry/exit from dormitory. This is just to ensure the safety and security of all candidates as they may not be fully conversant with the local situation.

TANA_IIP_2011 Welcome Letter

Important Documents:

- ◆ All Scholars have to have current passports with valid Indian Visas. This is a must and is one of the criteria for final selection. International driving license is optional but TANA strongly discourages Scholars from driving in India.
- ◆ All Scholars (and their parents) have to file written legal consent, disclaimer, indemnification and other documents as part of the application process. All Scholars will provide their full itineraries, list of emergency contacts in US and India (address, email, phone numbers etc.), any medical issues/medications etc. along with application form positively. Most of US-based insurance company policies are valid.
- ◆ All Scholars are strongly recommended to verify this and do the needful for their insurance coverage while India. TANA will not be responsible for any medical insurance related expenses.

Time Line of Events:

◆ January 15 th – March 31 st	◆ Public Announcement
◆ Fri, April 15 th	◆ Last date to receive duly filled applications
◆ Fri, April 30 th	◆ Final notice to selected candidates with all details (including standby candidates)
◆ Fri, May 5 th	◆ Last date for withdrawal
◆ Fri, May 8 th	◆ Final list of selected candidates
◆ Fri, June 18 th	◆ Welcome reception and Report at Hyderabad (move into dormitory)
◆ Mon, June 20 th	◆ Commencement of Internship
◆ Fri, July 29 th	◆ End of Internship & Submission of Trip reports
◆ Sat, July 30 th	◆ Graduation Ceremonies by Chief Minister followed by Party
◆ Mon, August 1 st	◆ Clear out of dormitory & farewell

Hope this will help you in preparing well for the TANA_IIP Program. We look forward to getting your application forms by April 15th, 2011.

Regards,



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