

January 9, 2025

Subject: Application for Internship – Monitoring, Evaluation, Research, and Learning (MERL)

Dear HERD International Team,

I am writing to express my interest in the MERL Internship position at HERD International. As a recent Bachelor of Public Health (BPH) graduate from Birat Health College, I am passionate about contributing to evidence-based practices that improve health and well-being, aligning closely with your organization's mission.

During my studies and professional experience, I developed skills in public health research, data analysis, and community engagement. I have worked as a Field Enumerator for New Era Nepal and as a Health Counselor at the Endocrine Clinic, experiences that have strengthened my ability to collect and analyze data and collaborate effectively with diverse stakeholders. My participation in trainings, including "The COVID-19 Response Training" and leadership workshops, has further honed my report-writing and communication skills in both English and Nepali.

As someone committed to gender and cultural sensitivity, I am eager to bring my dedication and skills to HERD International's efforts in strengthening systems and addressing local issues. I am particularly excited about the opportunity to contribute to monitoring, evaluation, research, and learning activities, while gaining invaluable insights from your team.

I have attached my CV and cover letter via the provided online application form for your consideration. Thank you for this opportunity, and I look forward to the possibility of contributing to HERD International's impactful work.

Warm regards,

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