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करियर मार्गदर्शन कार्यशाला, डाइट बाड़मेर (14-17 जुलाई 2026) में विकसित व लोकार्पित
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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। • An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

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2 At a glance

Minimum qualification	B.Sc/M.Sc Forensic Science
Selection exam	AIFSET / CSIR-UGC NET
Avg Salary	₹4–12 LPA
Work mode	Crime labs & FSL

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Interest in science and investigation
- Sharp eye for detail
- Logical analysis of problems

ABILITIES

- Keen observation and reasoning
- Objective judgement under pressure
- Strong verbal and written communication

KEY SKILLS

- Evidence collection and preservation
- Fingerprint and ballistics examination
- Handling laboratory instruments
- DNA and serology analysis
- Digital and cyber forensics
- Forensic reporting and court testimony

4 How to get there

- 1 Complete 10+2 in the science stream (Physics, Chemistry, Biology).

- 2 Complete a B.Sc in Forensic Science.
- 3 Do an M.Sc in Forensic Science or a related subject.
- 4 Appear for entrance tests such as AIFSET.
- 5 Alternative: MBBS followed by MD in Forensic Medicine.

MAIN EXAMS

- AIFSET (All India Forensic Science Entrance Test)
- CSIR-UGC NET (Life Sciences)
- University entrance tests

5 Where to study

GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES

- National Forensic Sciences University — Gandhinagar (<https://www.nfsu.ac.in>)
- University of Rajasthan — Jaipur (<https://www.uniraj.ac.in>)
- University of Mumbai — Mumbai (<https://mu.ac.in>)
- Jamia Hamdard University — New Delhi (<https://jamiahamdard.edu>)

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- Manipal Academy of Higher Education — Manipal
- Amity University — Noida
- Parul University — Vadodara

ONLINE

- SWAYAM / NPTEL (Forensic Science) — Online (<https://swayam.gov.in>)
- Coursera — Online (<https://www.coursera.org>)

FEES

Forensic science course fees range from about ₹15,000 to ₹2,00,000 per year. Government institutes charge less.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- National Scholarship Portal (<https://scholarships.gov.in>)
- Rajasthan SJE Scholarships (<https://sje.rajasthan.gov.in>)
- Buddy4Study (<https://www.buddy4study.com>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

State and central Forensic Science Laboratories (FSL), police departments, crime investigation bureaus, hospitals, universities and private forensic agencies.

WORK CULTURE

Work spans both the lab and crime scenes, sometimes with emergency call-outs. Typically 6 days a week and 8–10 hours a day.

WHO HIRES

- State Forensic Science Laboratories (FSL)
- Police and CBI
- Hospitals and medical colleges
- Central Forensic Science Laboratory (CFSL)
- National Investigation Agency (NIA)
- Private forensic and cybersecurity firms

DEMAND (2026)

With rising cybercrime, DNA testing and emphasis on scientific investigation, demand for forensic scientists is rising fast in 2026. It is a popular career among students.

7 Career growth

- 1 Trainee / Forensic Technician
- 2 Forensic Scientist
- 3 Senior Scientist
- 4 Principal Scientist / FSL Director

EARNINGS

Starting	₹30,000–50,000/माह
Mid level	₹60,000–1,00,000/माह
Senior level	₹1,20,000+/माह

Salary depends on government/private service, rank and experience. Figures are indicative.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- Direct contribution to delivering justice
- Exciting and varied work
- Good government job opportunities

The challenges

- Exposure to distressing crime scenes
- Irregular hours and emergency call-outs
- Pressure of testifying in court

9 Real-life journeys

Dr. Rukmani Krishnamurthy

India's First Woman Forensic Scientist, former Director, Maharashtra FSL

Dr. Rukmani Krishnamurthy is regarded as India's first woman forensic scientist. She led Maharashtra's Forensic Science Laboratory and introduced modern techniques like DNA and cyber forensics into crime investigation. She later founded her forensic advisory firm, 'Helik'.

The Week · <https://www.theweek.in/theweek/current/2023/12/23/indian-forensic-investigator-rukmani-krishnamurthy.html>

Dr. Gaurav Gupta

Digital Forensics Expert & Young Scientist Awardee

Dr. Gaurav Gupta is among the first Indians to earn a doctorate in digital forensics. He received the Young Scientist Award of the Indian Science Congress in 2010, worked at the Ministry of Electronics and IT, and now spreads awareness about cybercrime and tech fraud.

Analytics India Magazine · <https://analyticsindiamag.com/talking-cyber-awareness-with-dr-gaurav-gupta-of-meity-first-indian-to-earn-doctorate-in-digital-forensics/>

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2. National Forensic Sciences University — <https://www.nfsu.ac.in>
3. Directorate of Forensic Science Services — <http://dfs.nic.in>
4. Salary reference (SalaryExpert) — <https://www.salaryexpert.com/salary/job/forensic-scientist/india>



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