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Post Title
Duty Station
Duration
Type of Contract

Team Leader - SAPPLPP New Delhi, India 12 Months National Project Personnel

Background

The South Asia Pro Poor Livestock Policy Programme (SA PPLPP) is a joint initiative of the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). Priority activities include the identification, documentation and dissemination of successful field interventions and good practices that have demonstrated positive and sustainable impacts on the livelihoods of smallholder livestock rearers, and provision of support for pilot initiatives in selected village clusters in the states of Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan to strengthen livelihoods of resource poor rural households dependent on goat, sheep and poultry rearing (www.sapplpp.org). Learning emerging from the implementation of these pilot initiatives will be widely shared to facilitate a better understanding of the importance of small ruminant and smallholder poultry rearing as also advocate for policy support for these livelihood sub-sectors. In addition, SA PPLPP also

SA PPLPP is implemented by a core team based in New Delhi working under the leadership and strategic direction of the SA PPLPP Management Board comprising representatives from NDDB and FAO. The programme is seeking to recruit a Team Leader to be based at the SA PPLPP office in New Delhi.

Overall objective:

- Lead and provide overall direction to the programme under the guidance of the Management Board, including the coordination of pilot initiatives, technical support to programme partners and formulation and monitoring of implementation plans.
- Through regular dialogue with field practitioners and research institutions, and field visits to selected sites, identify and facilitate the documentation of grass-root initiatives that have positively impacted the livelihoods of smallholder livestock rearers, collate lessons learnt and identify issues for policy advocacy.

- Conceptualize, draw up terms of reference and supervise sector studies on emerging issues relevant for small ruminant and smallholder poultry rearing.
- Develop terms of reference for consultants to be appointed under the programme, and following Management Board approval, finalize contracts and monitor outputs and deliverables.
- Share and disseminate the results of documentation and sector studies through web content, publications, meetings etc.
- Undertake regular field visits to the pilot locations in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh and provide technical support to NGO field partners. In particular, support the development of a sustainable community-led system for preventive health services for small ruminants and poultry, and facilitate institutional arrangements to enable small ruminant and poultry rearers to collectively access required inputs and more remunerative markets. Facilitate the regular documentation of outcomes, and detailing of emerging learning from the pilot initiatives.
- In the pilot locations, facilitate linkages and collaboration with the district and block animal husbandry office, veterinary hospital/ dispensary and other relevant departments.
- Monitor the progress of the pilot programmes with respect to the baseline studies undertaken.
- Supervise and provide inputs for the SA PPLPP website (<u>www.sapplpp.org</u>) and ensure that website content is regularly updated and of high quality standards.
- With the assistance of the SA PPLPP Programme Manager, ensure the management of programme accounts as per approved budgets and work plans.
- Convene Management Board meetings on a quarterly basis, develop the agenda and background documentation, and ensure that decisions taken are minuted and action taken reports submitted for Board review.
- Carry out any other task as assigned by the SA PPLPP Management Board.

Reporting

The position will report to and work under the guidance of the SA PPLPP Management Board.

Duty Station: New Delhi, with field visits as required.

Desired Qualifications and Experience: Post Graduate qualifications in rural development/ management with a minimum of 10-15 years of experience in the design and implementation of large-scale rural development programmes. At least five of these years should have been in senior management/ leadership positions. Demonstrated skills and experience in documentation are desirable.

Interested candidates satisfying the above mentioned criteria and confident of delivering time bound high quality results are requested to send their CVs along with a completed **FAO Personal Profile Form** by following this link: *http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en* (for external candidates) and send us the PDF file with a covering letter mentioning their specific expertise and the vacancy announcement number along with the title of the position applied for to:

FAO Representation in India 55 Max Mueller Marg New Delhi 110 003 E-Mail : **fao-in@fao.org**.

The envelope / subject of the email should clearly mention the vacancy number as FAO/IND/2014/01. Please note that the applications not adhering to the above requirements will be disqualified.
