

Selection of Individual Consultants Ministry of Agriculture Smallholder Agribusiness and Resilience Project (SARP)



The Smallholder Agribusiness and Resilience Project (SARP), a project jointly financed by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and Government of Sri Lanka, aims to build resilience and market participation of 40,000 rural households in the climate change affected districts of Anuradhapura, Vavuniya, Matale, Mannar, Puttalam and Kurunegala. This is pursued through capacity building for climate resilience and inclusive value chains, combined with investments for climate resilience and inclusive value chains including last mile infrastructure. The lead programme agency is the Ministry of Agriculture, which would establish a dedicated Project Management Unit (PMU) at central level and two regional hubs for the implementation of SARP. Total project finance value is USD 82 Mn.

Consultant – Social Inclusion and Gender Facilitators - 06 Positions (Matale, Puttalam, Mannar, Vavuniya, Kurunegala, Anuradhapura Districts)

Ref No SARP/GENDER/2023/08

Full Time Basis

Qualifications and experience

- She / He should have completed a Bachelor's Degree in social science / or a field related to rural community development Business Administration, Organizational Management, Economics, or Development Studies.
- Proven experience with at least 4 years of working experience related to participatory community development and applied gender and youth mainstreaming at project / or institutional level.
- She / He should have related working experience forming / establishing institutes or organizations, bearing positions in such organizations.
- She / He needs to have a provable experience with poverty, gender and youth targeting in agriculture-based rural development projects or acquired qualifications related to the areas mentioned would be a plus point.
- Good knowledge and experience in donor funded projects or other international organizations will be a distinct advantage
- Proven background in training and skills transfer preferably within a rural development context.
- Computer literate
- Strong inter-personal skills
- Strong analytical skills
- Fluency in English and Sinhala and preferably Tamil

Monthly consultancy fee : Equivalent to **PS 6** level for Social Inclusion and Gender Facilitators Based on the Management Services Circular 01/2019.

General Conditions Applicable for the Above-Mentioned Positions

All the Qualifications should be in the relevant field of the post.

Languages

Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English and Sinhala/Tamil (will be considered as per assigned District.) She/He should have a good sound knowledge in Microsoft office packages as most of the work need to be done by him/herself. Working knowledge of another official language is desirable.

Duration of the Service

Duration of services – Initially, the contract will be assigned for a period of twelve (12) months and its extension will be based upon performance evaluation.

Location

District offices in Matale, Puttalam, Mannar, Anuradhapura, Kurunegala and Vavuniya. However, travelling to project locations are involved frequently. Having a valid motorcycle riding license is added advantage.

Method of Selection

Only shortlisted applicants based on the highest qualifications and experience, will be called for an interview and selection will be based on the performance at the interview. Selected candidates should be willing work long hours even during weekend as and when required.

Those who are interested **can download the TOR through website www.agrimin.gov.lk.** Please forward your proposal (complete resume with relevant certified copies of the certificates and experiences

as per the TOR) **on or before 12th of June 2023 by registered post/by hand to reach the following address and e-mail a soft copy of the registered post application with all the documents to info@ sarp.lk with the post you apply in the Subject Line of the e-mail.**

Please indicate name of the post you apply and the preferred district on the top left-hand corner of the envelope.

For more details, please contact Procurement Specialist on 0773441309/ 0710719477 or **info@sarp. lk** during working days, from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Project Director, No. 239/1, Kandewatta Road, Pelawatta, Battaramulla.

Any form of canvassing will be resulted as immediate disqualification.

Chairman,

Consultants Procurement Committee – Projects (CPCP), Smallholder Agribusiness and Resilience Project, 239/1, Kandewatta Road, Pelawatta, Battaramulla.

20th of May 2023.