

Expressions of Interest

Selection of Individual Consultants

Ministry of Agriculture and Plantation Industries

Smallholder Agribusiness and Resilience Project (SARP)



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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 and Plantation Industries, which would establish a dedicated Project Management Unit (PMU) at central level and two regional hubs the implementation of SARP.

1. Agro-enterprise Promoter - 01 position (Kurunegala District)

Full Time Basis

Qualifications and experience

- She / He Bachelor's degree in Agriculture/Agriculture Technology and Management preferably specialized in Agricultural Economics, Business Management, and/ or marketing or a field related to rural enterprise development. Postgraduate degree or relevant professional qualification on Business Management/Business administration or relevant field will be an added advantage
- At least 3 years' relevant experience in inclusive value chain development in particular agriculture markets, preferably working experience with private sector.
- He / she should have sound experience in private sector led business development, service provision and supply chain development;
- He / she must have knowledge and experience in building capacity of stakeholders and facilitation of multi-stakeholder consultation workshops and training.
- She / He needs to have a provable experience in demonstrate creativeness, entrepreneurial skills.
- Experience in agro-enterprise development, agricultural value chains and market development.
- He / She should have possessed a valid motorcycle license and also having a motorcycle is preferable.
- Computer literate
- Strong inter Computer literate
- Strong inter-personal skills
- Strong analytical skills
- Fluency in English and Sinhala and preferably Tamil

Monthly consultancy Fee: Equivalent to **PS 5** level 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.

Age Limit

Candidates who are below 45 years of age are encouraged to apply

Languages

Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English and Tamil with Sinhala (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 - 12 months on Junior consultancy basis. 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 Kurunegala however, travelling to project locations are involved frequently.

Those who are interested can **download the TOR through website www.agrimin.gov.lk**. Please forward your proposal (complete resume with relevant copies of the certificates and experience as per the TOR) **at or before 2.30 p.m. on 04.03.2024** 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 indicating subject of the email as the post you apply to **agriminpmu.sarp@gmail.com**

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

For more details, please contact Procurement Specialist on 077 344 1309 or **agriminpmu.sarp@gmail.com** during working days, from 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m.

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