

#### Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

Vacancy Announcement N₀: IRC6045

**Issued on:** 28 January 2019

Deadline For Application: 18 February 2019

Position Title: Senior Project Officer Grade Level: P-5

Duty Station: Pakistan, Quetta

Organizational Unit: FAO Representation in Pakistan, FAPAK Duration \*: Fixed term: one year (with possibility of

extension)

Post Number: 2005417 CCOG Code: 1A11

The length of appointment for internal FAO candidates will be established in accordance with applicable policies pertaining to the extension of appointments

Qualified female applicants and qualified nationals of non- and under-represented member countries are encouraged to apply.

Persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply.

All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.

The incumbent may be re-assigned to different activities and/or duty stations depending on the evolving needs of the Organization.

#### **Organizational Setting**

The main aim of the FAO Country Offices, which are headed by an FAO Representative, is to assist governments to develop policies, programmes and projects to achieve food security and to reduce hunger and malnutrition, to help develop the agricultural, fisheries and forestry sectors, and to use their environmental and natural resources in a sustainable manner.

### **Reporting Lines**

The Senior Project Officer reports to FAO Representative (FAOR) in Pakistan. She/he works in close coordination with the Deputy FAO Representative in Pakistan and the Assistant FAO Representatives for Programme and Administration and receives technical guidance from the FAO Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (FAORAP) and relevant units in the FAO Headquarters.

### **Technical Focus**

Provide technical and skills development leadership and contribute to identify and pilot innovative initiatives in the area of value chains, agribusiness, market linkages and inclusive food systems.

## **Key Results**

Leadership and technical expertise for the planning, development and implementation of projects, related-products, and services.

#### **Key Functions**

- Leads the development, implementation and evaluation on technical issues of assigned programmes/projects; directs review of relevant documents and reports; identifies priorities, liaises with relevant parties; identifies and initiates follow-up actions;
- Coordinates programmes and reviews the assessments of issues and trends for the implementation of programmes and projects and the preparation of impact evaluation or equivalent studies;
- Supervises preparation of various written outputs, e.g. background papers, analysis, substantial sections of reports and studies, inputs to publications;
- Directs substantive support to consultative and other meetings, conferences, to include proposing agenda topics, identifying participants, preparation of documents and presentations;
- Manages outreach activities; designs and conducts training workshops, seminars, makes presentations on assigned topics/activities;
- Leads field missions, including provision of guidance to external consultants, government officials and other parties;
- Provides advice to develop policies and strategies as well as national protocols and guidelines for projects with specific domains related to FAO's work.

#### **Specific Functions**

- Leads and evaluates progress and planning against work plans and projects' objectives for the ongoing FAO-implemented projects in the Province of Balochistan;
- Supervises the team and provides guidance to project staff and subcontractors;
- Liaises with the Provincial Focal Points and relevant departments and ministries in the federal and provincial governments, international and national research institutes, and develops partnerships to ensure coordination and collaboration required for implementation of the projects;
- · Ensures timely procurement of inputs and services through supervision of project procurement staff;

- Establishes and maintains relations with other UN agencies and development partners and seeks synergies;
- Leads the One UN Programme, organizes and assists with co-chairing of One UN Provincial Steering Committee and contributes to One UN Provincial Team meetings (UNPT):
- Maintains and operates project imprest accounts, leads reporting requirements and oversees accounts;
- Ensures smooth implementation of the projects' activities and leads reviews and evaluations;
- Contributes to Resource Mobilization in the context of the Country Programme Framework.

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## CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

#### **Minimum Requirements**

- Advanced university degree in natural or social sciences, agricultural economics, rural development, business management or other related field;
- Ten years of relevant experience in the planning and implementation of development projects and/or programmes, including project management;
- Working knowledge of English, French or Spanish and limited knowledge of one the other two or Arabic, Chinese, or Russian.

## Competencies

- Results Focus;
- · Leading, Engaging and Empowering;
- Communication;
- Partnering and Advocating;
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement;
- Strategic Thinking.

#### **Technical/Functional Skills**

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions, is essential;
- Extent and relevant experience in planning and implementation of programmes related to agriculture development, and demonstrated ability to manage in a complex environment;
- Demonstrated experience or knowledge in development of inclusive food systems, agribusiness, value chains marketing and innovation;
- Demonstrated results-based management capabilities with an ability to manage programmes, budgets and human resources efficiently under shifting priorities;
- Ability and willingness to establish and travel extensively in support of project implementation;
- Working knowledge of English is considered a strong asset.

Please note that all candidates should adhere to FAO Values of Commitment to FAO, Respect for All and Integrity and Transparency.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- · All candidates should possess computer/word processing skills
- Your application will be screened based on the information provided in your iRecruitment online profile (see "How to Apply"). We strongly recommend that you ensure that the information is accurate and complete including employment record, academic qualifications and language skills
- Please note that FAO will only consider academic credentials or degrees obtained from an educational institution recognized in the IAU/UNESCO list
- Other similar positions at the same level may be filled from this vacancy notice and the endorsed candidates will be considered for the Employment Roster for a period of two years
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments

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## **REMUNERATION**

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#### **HOW TO APPLY**

To apply, visit the iRecruitment website at <a href="http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/">http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/</a> and complete your online profile. Only applications received through iRecruitment will be considered.

Candidates are requested to attach a letter of motivation to the online profile.

Vacancies will be removed from iRecruitment at 23:59 Central European Time (CET) on the deadline for applications date. We encourage applicants to submit the application well before the deadline date.

If you need help, or have queries, please contact: <a href="mailto:iRecruitment@fao.org">iRecruitment@fao.org</a>

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