



FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS
Terms of Reference for Consultant ☒/PSA ☐

Minimum number of years of relevant experience required: 1yr ☐ 5yrs ☒ 12+yrs ☐

Job Title: Monitoring food security situation, policies and investments in Bangladesh	
Division/Department: ESA	
Programme/Project Number: GCP/BGD/037/ MUL – National Food Policy Capacity Strengthening Programme	
Location: Dhaka, Bangladesh	
Expected Start Date of Assignment: 15 February 2014	Duration: 107 days within the 16 of July 2014
Reports to: Ciro Fiorillo	Title: Chief Technical Advisor
GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF TASK(S) AND OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED	
<p>The National Food Policy Capacity Strengthening Programme (NFPCSP) (www.nfpcsp.org) assists the Government of Bangladesh in developing human and institutional capacities for designing and implementing food security policies and monitoring their implementation, with a specific focus on the National Food Policy Plan of Action (NFP PoA) and the Country Investment Plan (CIP). In particular, NFPCSP assists government officers from the Food Planning and Monitoring Unit (FPMU) of the Ministry of Food and the members of the Thematic Teams (TTs) involved in the monitoring the food security situation in the country and the implementation of the NFP PoA and CIP in sustainably carry out such monitoring activities through the collation of data and through the publication of periodical bulletins and a yearly Monitoring Report (MR). Within this scope, the NFPCSP delivers in class and on-the-job trainings to mid-level government officials, contributes to developing a food security and nutrition Data Management System, and supports the production of relevant publications, including periodical bulletins, policy briefs and an annual PoA/CIP Monitoring Report.</p> <p>Under the overall supervision of the FAO Representative in Bangladesh, the direct supervision of the NFPCSP Chief Technical Advisor, and in close collaboration with relevant experts of the NFPCSP Technical Assistant Team and government officials, the international consultant will:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contribute to collate and organize relevant data in the FPMU Data Management System; 2. Facilitate inter-ministerial collaboration in monitoring the PoA and CIP, in particular by supporting the thematic team meetings (TT); 3. Contribute to the production and elaboration of the PoA-CIP MR 2014 and other monitoring bulletins, including by providing on demand and tailored on the job training on food security (data collection and verification, writing and support to editing and finalization); 4. Contribute to producing policy briefs mainly based on the research reports financed by the Project; 5. Perform related duties as deemed necessary by the Chief Technical Advisor. 	
KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sections of the MR 2014 related to availability, access and CIP financing drafted and finalized; 2. FPMU coached in writing background notes to be used for drafting the MR 2014, and other food security monitoring bulletins; 3. At least one policy brief finalized; 4. DMS data organization and contents verified and improved where needed; 	Required Completion Date: Contineous.

REQUIRED COMPETENCIES

Academic Qualifications

- Advanced University degree or equivalent in Development Economics, Agricultural Economics or closely related field

Technical Competencies and Experience Requirements

- Minimum 5 years experience in economic analysis of food security, development policies analysis and monitoring
- Familiarity with food security issues, policies, planning and monitoring
- Ability to write and express technical concepts clearly and concisely
- Working knowledge of English
- Ability to work in a multicultural team with national counterparts, sometimes under very tight deadlines

HOW TO APPLY

Interested applicants are required to create an online Personal Profile form (PPF) in iRecruitment. To create the PPF, please follow the instructions available at:

http://www.fao.org/fileadmin/user_upload/Employment/docs/Applying_to_Consultancy_Vacancies_at_FAO.pdf

The PPF along with a one page cover letter should be sent via email to: antonio.schiavone@fao.org

Please write as subject: VA/NFPCSP/MR14

Deadline for applications: 10 January 2014

Applications received after the closing date will not be given consideration. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.