



Deadline For Application: **16 March 2012**

POSITION TITLE:	<b>Economist</b>	GRADE LEVEL:	<b>P4</b>
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	<b>Agricultural and Development Economics Division (ESA)</b> National Food Policy Capacity Strengthening Programme	DUTY STATION:	<b>Dhaka, Bangladesh</b>
		DURATION *:	<b>12 months, extendable</b>
		POST CODE/N <sup>o</sup> :	
		CCOG CODE:	<b>1.E.</b>

**Applications from qualified women as well as from qualified nationals of non-and under-represented member countries are encouraged**

#### DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall supervision of the FAO Representative, the overall technical supervision of the Director, Agricultural Development Economics Division and the direct supervision of the Chief Technical Adviser and in close consultation with the other members of the Technical Assistance Team and the Food Planning and Monitoring Unit (FPMU), the incumbent will contribute to the timely and effective delivery of the National Food Policy Capacity Strengthening Programme (NFPCSP, for more information visit [www.nfpcsp.org](http://www.nfpcsp.org)). In particular, the incumbent will:

- carry-out analytical and policy advisory work and specific research related to food availability, economic access and vulnerability;
- plan and deliver training courses for policy and planning officers of the FPMU and members of the inter-ministerial food security teams on issues related to food security, in particular in the field of economic analysis of food access and availability, sampling survey methodologies, questionnaire design, statistical analysis of macroeconomic, and market and household-level data;
- provide on-the-job training, day-to-day guidance and support to analysts in the institutions supported by NFPCSP in carrying-out their analytical tasks;
- identify food security related research needs and act as a catalyst for addressing these in collaboration with government analysts and research institutions contracted under the project;
- support planning and monitoring of food security and poverty reduction policies, strategies and programmes and contribute to the assessment of their contributions to achieving relevant MDGs and national food security policy targets;
- monitor and support the execution of research carried out by institutions and consultants contracted under the project related to food availability and access, including production and trade;
- actively contribute to programme planning, monitoring and implementation and reporting;
- perform other related duties as required.

#### MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced University Degree in Economics, Agricultural-economics or other relevant field
- Seven years of relevant work experience in the fields of food security/poverty analysis, policy advice and research and capacity building (a Ph. D may be a substitute for 2 years of work experience)
- Working knowledge of English

#### SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent of experience in designing and conducting analyses of food security and poverty issues and providing policy advice and backstopping and/or conducting research
- Extent of experience in capacity and institution building
- Depth of knowledge in the design and implementation of methodologies for designing, monitoring and evaluating food security and poverty reduction policies and programmes
- Proven ability in working in teams, in a multicultural environment and under tight deadlines
- Quality of written and oral communication skills in English
- Extent of experience in working in developing countries

Please note that all candidates should possess computer/word processing skills and should be capable of working with people of different national and cultural backgrounds.

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

#### REMUNERATION

A competitive compensation and benefits package is offered. For information on UN salaries, allowances and benefits, click on the following link: <http://icsc.un.org/>

**TO APPLY: Carefully read and follow the Guidelines to applicants**

Send your application to:

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