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POSITION TITLE:	Forest Resources Officer	GRADE LEVEL:	P-3
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific	DUTY STATION:	Bangkok, Thailand
	RAP	DURATION *:	Fixed Term: 3 years
		POST CODE/N°:	0426270
		CCOG CODE:	1H06

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

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 duty stations within the region depending on the evolving needs of the Organization

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall administrative and managerial supervision of the Assistant Director-General and Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific, and the functional guidance of the Forestry Department, as a member of the regional multi-disciplinary team, the incumbent will also contribute to strengthening partnership and knowledge networks within and outside the Organization, supporting country-level actions guided by FAO's Country Programme Framework (CPF) as well as increasing South-South and triangular cooperation. In particular, the incumbent will:

- Support country-level actions guided by FAO's Country Programming Frameworks (CPFs), subregional and regional priority frameworks and higher-level strategic frameworks of the Organization in order to transform FAO's knowledge products into country-level results and impacts.
- Provide technical support to member countries in the implementation, analysis and updating of forest resource information in the context of National Forest Monitoring and Assessment (NFMA) and the Global Forest Resources Assessment (FRA) programmes, to meet the full range of data and information required for sound forest management and decision-making;
- Contribute to the development and implementation of national programmes and projects to improve the management and conservation of forest resources, with a focus on strengthening country capacities to meet monitoring and reporting requirements, including those related to forest production and livelihoods, ecological services, climate change and other environmental and socio-economic variables;
- Participate in the design and implementation of training and capacity-building programmes, including those which help to strengthen national and local capacities to manage and conserve forest resources and to effectively use geo-information technology;
- Contribute to the development of MRV related activities to support the implementation of UN-REDD and climate change programme activities;
- Provide technical support to member countries on forest management and conservation, and ensure issues of forests and forestry are integrated to agriculture and food security, and natural resources and livelihood development;
- In consultation with member countries, identify, formulate, and backstop field projects relating to the sustainable use and conservation of forest resources within the broader context of Country Priority Frameworks;
- Plan, organize and participate in sessions of the Asia-Pacific Forestry Commission and related activities, and other regional meetings and conferences;
- Perform other related duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- University degree in forestry or a related field
- Five years of relevant experience related to forest resources development, management or conservation
- Working knowledge of English and limited knowledge of one of the other official language of FAO (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, Spanish)

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Knowledge of the principles and practices of sound forest resources management and conservation; knowledge of forest resources monitoring and assessment and climate change issues would be an advantage
- Extent of experience in implementing forest resources management and conservation programmes and activities, including in the Asia-Pacific region, as related to the position duties and responsibilities described above
- Knowledge of international forestry policies, programmes, issues, processes and organizations, including in developing countries of the Asia-Pacific region
- Ability to work as an effective team member
- Good communication skills, both orally and in writing

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*

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and complete the on-line application

In order for your candidature to be properly evaluated, please ensure to complete the on-line application in all sections.

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