



Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

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Deadline For Application: 23 March 2017

Position Title:	Forestry Officer (Nfi And Redd+)	Grade Level:	P-4
		Duty Station:	Myanmar, Yangon
Organizational Unit:	FAO Representation in Union of Myanmar, FAMYA	Duration *:	Fixed term: 1 year
		Post Number:	2006203
		CCOG Code:	1H06

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 Forest Policy and Resources Division provides services to member countries on matters relating to the forest assessment, development, management, conservation, restoration and protection of forests, trees, water, mountains, biodiversity, wildlife and related natural resources as well as for providing a neutral forum for the discussion of such topics. Other topics of interest for the Division are agroforestry, urban forestry, and forests and climate change, including Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+).

The post is located in Naypyitaw, Myanmar, as part of the FAO team of the United Nations Collaborative Programme on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation in Developing Countries (UN-REDD). The post is part of the Programme Management Unit (PMU) of the Myanmar UN-REDD National Programme and will serve as the Technical Advisor of the Myanmar National Forest Inventory (NFI) and National Forest Monitoring and Information System (NFMIS) project supported by the Government of Finland.

Reporting Lines

The Forestry Officer reports to the FAO REDD+ Team Leader. Under the overall managerial and administrative leadership of the FAO Representative (FAOR) in Myanmar and in close collaboration with the FAO REDD+ regional coordination team for Asia and the Pacific, FAO Forestry experts in Headquarters and the Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (RAP), the National Programme Director (NPD) of the Myanmar UN-REDD National Programme and the NPD of the Myanmar NFI/NFMIS project, the incumbent will have the following duties:

Technical Focus

The Forest Officer will provide technical expertise to support the planning, financing, development and implementation of the Myanmar NFI/NFMIS project and the FAO-supported components of the Myanmar UN-REDD National Programme.

Key Results

Comprehensive technical and policy expertise to support the planning, financing, development and implementation of the Myanmar NFI/NFMIS project and the FAO-supported components of the Myanmar UN-REDD National Programme.

Key Functions

- Plans and leads components of multi-disciplinary teams, leads and/or participates in internal committees, project teams, and working groups and/or provides specialized expertise on technical networks and/or international technical policy and/or international technical policy and standard setting bodies;
- Develops technical, analytical, monitoring and reporting frameworks, and related methodologies, tools, systems and databases etc. to support the planning, implementation/delivery and monitoring of programmes of work, projects, products and/or services;
- Designs and conducts research, data collection, validation, analysis and/or reporting activities to support the development of technical standards, international instruments, innovative approaches and strategies, new tools, technologies, technical reports/publications, and/or policy proposals as well as the provision of technical/policy/specialist/advice and expertise;
- Responds to country requests for technical and policy assistance, provides technical advice, assistance and solutions to Decentralized Offices and provides technical backstopping to field projects;
- Collaborates in, provides technical backstopping to and ensures the quality/effectiveness of capacity development and knowledge sharing activities within member countries such as policy support, organizational development and individual learning events including preparation of related information, learning materials, on-line tools;
- Promotes international cooperation/advocates best practices, increased policy dialogue and provides technical

- expertise at international/intergovernmental meetings;
- Participates in resource mobilization activities in accordance with the FAO Corporate strategy.

Specific Functions

- Provides technical advice on the implementation of Myanmar's REDD+ Readiness Roadmap, with a focus on the components related to National Forest Monitoring System (NFMS) and Forest Reference Levels (FRLs) for REDD+; provide technical support to the development of a functional satellite-based land monitoring system (SLMS) based on available national technical, financial and human resources and advisory services for the development of feasible approaches for land use, land use change and forestry related GHG emission calculation (activity data and emission factors)
- Supports the implementation of Myanmar's NFMS Action Plan, in close collaboration with the Forest Department, the REDD+ focal point in Myanmar and other relevant stakeholders; and support the implementation of Myanmar's FRL Action plan for eventual submission of FRL to the UNFCCC assessment process
- Supports REDD+ focal point in resource mobilisation efforts for financing the NFMS and the FRL action plans and support the development of data collection, analysis and database management approaches for the NFI;
- Develops and initiate a work plan for the NFI/NFMIS project, in collaboration with NPD; work closely with the NPD, other national counterparts to implement NFI/NFMIS project activities according to the work plan and also with partners in Myanmar and elsewhere to ensure coordination and complementarities in the implementation of the UN-REDD National Programme, in synergy with regional and international initiatives;
- Supports national and subnational consultations with relevant stakeholders on NFMS and FRL development and implementation including the design and delivery of awareness raising and communications materials;
- Facilitates advisory support to government officials in the organization and delivery of training of national staff involved in NFMS and FRLs and coordination of NFMS and FRL development with other components of the Myanmar UN-REDD National Programme in Myanmar, particularly development of a national REDD+ strategy;
- Coordinates activities under the Myanmar UN-REDD National Programme and NFI/NFMIS project with the implementation of other FAO forestry projects and activities, including the TCP project on 'Strengthening Myanmar's National Forest Monitoring System', the FAO GEF project 'Sustainable Forest and Cropland Management in Priority Agro-Ecosystems of Myanmar' and the EU-FAO-FLEGT programme;
- Assists in the recruitment of national and international consultants and staff for the NFI/NFMIS project; perform other technical and operational duties, as necessary.

CANDIDATES WILL BE ASSESSED AGAINST THE FOLLOWING

Minimum Requirements

- Advanced university degree in Forestry, Environmental Science or a closely related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in forest inventory, forest monitoring and/or forest management in developing countries
- Working knowledge of English

Competencies

- Results Focus
- Teamwork
- Communication
- Building Effective Relationships
- Knowledge Sharing and Continuous Improvement

Technical/Functional Skills

- Work experience in more than one location or area of work, particularly in field positions is desirable
- Good knowledge of climate change negotiations, REDD+, MRV procedures and methodologies under the UNFCCC;
- Proven experience relating to forest inventory, remote sensing and GIS in developing countries;
- Proven track record of supporting, advising and collaborating with government institutions in developing countries;

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 recognised 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 2 years
- Candidates may be requested to provide performance assessments

REMUNERATION

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HOW TO APPLY

To apply, visit the iRecruitment website at <http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment-access/en/> 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: iRecruitment@fao.org

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