



POSITION TITLE:	Chief Technical Adviser (Nutrition and Food Security Adviser)	GRADE LEVEL:	P-4
ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT:	FAO Representation in Afghanistan	DUTY STATION:	Kabul, Afghanistan
		DURATION *:	12 months (renewable)
		POST CODE/N ^o :	Unidentified
		CCOG CODE:	1102

**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**

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Under the overall supervision of the FAO Representative and supervision of the Senior Projects Operations Officer (SPOO) in Afghanistan and the technical guidance of the Lead Technical Unit (AGN, RAP), the expert will, in close collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock (MAIL) counterpart authorities/staff, the incumbent will be responsible for overall management and implementation of the project. In particular, the incumbent will:

- participate and contribute to the policy and strategy discussions and processes related to nutrition and food security within MAIL, FAO and partners, especially with regard to the integration of relevant aspects into the national food and nutrition policy and strategy, FAO's Country Programme Framework, and other relevant policy frameworks;
- provide technical assistance to MAIL, national staff and Afghan counterparts on managerial aspects of project planning and implementation of nutrition and food security interventions at national and subnational level.
- advise MAIL in the development of national and provincial action work plans, the introduction of a nutrition and household food security reporting and monitoring system for national and subnational level;
- promote resource management and mobilization for nutrition and household food security interventions for MAIL;
- supervise the implementation of nutrition and food security interventions within MAIL and with partners and facilitate lesson-learning processes and evaluations;
- In collaboration with the SPOO and FAO Assistant Representative, coordinate the development of new nutrition and food security interventions, projects and funds mobilization and support the integration of nutrition and household food security interventions on FAO's strategies framework and field-level implementation;
- establish, promote, strengthen and maintain contacts and collaboration with all stakeholders involved in women in agricultural development, nutrition and food security at policy and implementation level;
- facilitate the required consultancy missions supporting the development of managerial and technical capacities within MAIL and its partners. Assist FAOR/SPOO in drafting TORs for national and international consultancies, assist in identifying and recruiting local consultants and partners institutions for community-level work, coordinate and supervise their outputs;
- supervise the overall management of the project (human resources, finance, logistics);
- prepare reports and documents, including Quarterly project Implementation Reports, semi-annual reports and the terminal report.
- perform other duties as required.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Candidates should meet the following:

- Advanced university degree with specialization in Nutrition or closely related field
- Seven years of relevant experience in nutrition policy development, food security programming and implementation, analysis, and community-based work in development and emergency situations, preferably in Asia
- Working knowledge of English

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates will be assessed against the following:

- Extent and relevance of experience in implementing nutrition and food security programmes, providing policy advise on integrating nutrition into national policies, development plans
- Extent of technical experience in capacity and institution building on nutrition
- Depth of knowledge in the design and implementation of methodologies for designing, monitoring and evaluating food security and nutrition policies and programmes
- Extent of experience in dealing with senior government officials, development partners in the context of policy advise and programme support
- Excellent communication skills, both oral and in writing in English
- Familiarity with Afghanistan and the policy issues affecting food security, nutrition and agriculture development would be an asset
- Previous working experience in the country is highly desirable

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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