

Mission Manager– Livelihoods (Farm)

Background and General Description:

The Government of India has launched The National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) under the Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD). The Mission aims at creating efficient and effective institutional platforms of the rural poor enabling them to increase their household income through sustainable livelihood enhancements and improved access to financial and public services. The agenda is to mobilize the rural BPL households into self- managed, federated institutions and support them for livelihood collectives. In addition, the poor would be facilitated to achieve increased access to their rights, entitlements and public services, diversified risk and better social indicators of empowerment.

Further to these objectives, the Government of Maharashtra has constituted the Maharashtra State Rural Livelihoods Mission, registered under the Societies Act 1860. A State Mission Management Unit has been constituted as a dedicated support structure to deliver the mission in the State. The MSRLM aims to build a team of high quality professionals for providing technical assistance to the districts in various thematic areas such as human resource management, rural livelihoods, social inclusion, environment management, financial inclusion etc.

Persons recruited and performing successfully could expect to be associated with the mission on a long term basis. For administrative policy reasons, the contract of this position will be for 11 months and renewed further based on performance and requirement.

Posting:

The posting will be at State Mission Management Unit (SMMU) level – Belapur, Navi Mumbai.

Reporting:

The person recruited will be reporting to the **COO** of MSRLM or any other delegated authority.

Duties and Responsibilities:

Following are the indicative Duties and responsibilities of The **Mission Manager – Livelihoods (Farm)**

- Livelihood development activities in farm sector, Working Rural Co-operative Programs,
- Building networking and partnership with various stakeholders, strategy and implementation plan, Working with Government Organizations/NGOs in Rural Development space, Review and verify project documents
- Lead the conceptualization of the livelihoods approach and strategies for the mission;
- Advice, support and assist the mission leadership on livelihoods promotion activities specifically on setting up the livelihoods architecture for the mission through initiation of sector specific intervention related to sustainable agriculture, dairy and other relevant sectors;
- Anchor the livelihoods agenda in the mission and roll out the pro-poor livelihoods strategy in-order to ensure inclusion of left-out poor and poorest of poor in various livelihoods sector value chains;
- Responsible for preparing cost estimate and budgets for livelihoods vertical;
- Build partnership with specific livelihoods sector resource agencies, academic institutions and research agencies;
- Render technical assistance and advice to district on how to solve day to day implementation problems specifically related to livelihoods;
- Play a lead role in cross regional knowledge sharing including learning and exposure visits, workshops and seminars and in producing knowledge products livelihoods sector;
- Development and creation of the team for delivering results and outcomes related to livelihoods in the State and review and verify project documents.
- Liaise with relevant decision makers and stakeholders in specific livelihoods (Farm) sector at the National, State, District and Block level;
- Any other tasks or activities as per mission requirement and needs.

Minimum Qualification and Experience

M. Sc. Agriculture or Agriculture –Business Management or Agriculture Engineering or Forestry or Fisheries or Veterinary Science or Dairy Management or Rural development or Rural Management or Entrepreneurship Development from recognized university/Institute having 7 years of total experience. Minimum 4 years of relevant experience at larger scale of Livelihoods in Rural Development Sector at Senior Managerial level .Knowledge of Marathi is desirable and MS Office is compulsory.

Desired Domain Knowledge and Experience:

- Experience of drafting strategy and chapter on livelihoods ;
- Setting-up of the implementation team on livelihoods at the State level and in intensive districts and training for the team on livelihoods initiated;
- Pilots on some livelihoods sectors planned and activities initiated on the ground;
- Experience of finalizing of livelihoods training module for mission staff; and

Desired Competencies and Attributes:

- Converting knowledge and experience into practice - Translates technical knowledge into practical applications and contributions to livelihoods enhancement strategies;
- Dialogue Skills - Anticipates needs and requests in the field and conducts independent discussions with representatives of the government, training institutions, sector specific livelihoods resource agencies, CSOs and mission staff members;
- Integrative Skills - Understands relevant cross-sectoral areas how they are interrelated;
- Rural Policy, Strategy and Institutions - Understanding of quality issues in large scale operations on livelihoods value chain;
- Drive for Results - Identifies the needed resources to accomplish results involving multiple stakeholders and finds solutions to obstacles affecting key deliverables;
- Teamwork (Collaboration) and Inclusion - Shows leadership in ensuring the team stays organized and focused, and actively seeks and considers diverse ideas and approaches;
- Attractive salary will be offered.

Age limit:

- Age of candidate should not more than 45 Years as on 1st Oct 2017.
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Monthly CTC : Rs 60,000/-

How to apply:

Interested candidates can send their online application on www.jobs.msrlm.org or www.umed.in **Last date of online application submission is 25th October 2017.**

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