

**Engagement of Senior Consultant for Farmer Producer Organisations (FPO) on contract basis**

Small Farmersø Agri-Business Consortium (SFAC) a Society under the administrative control of Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India, invites application for hiring of Senior Consultant on short term contract basis. Interested candidates may apply as per application details in the website [www.sfacindia.com](http://www.sfacindia.com) and for any further notification. The last date for receiving the applications is by 5.00 pm on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2020.

## ENGAGEMENT OF SENIOR CONSULTANT ON CONTRACT BASIS

Small Farmers' Agri-Business Consortium (SFAC) is a Society under the administrative control of Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare, Govt. of India. As part of its mandate, SFAC has been nominated as a national level nodal agency for promotion of Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs) by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare and in this capacity SFAC has been providing technical and managerial support to the State Governments in building institutions of producers and their integration in agri value chains under various Central Sector Schemes.

For overall management and supervision of these varied activities, SFAC requires a suitable person in the capacity of Senior Consultant (FPO) on contract basis initially for a period of one year which can be extended/curtailed, depending on the requirements. The contractual appointment can be terminated by the Competent Authority without assigning any reasons whatsoever, by giving prior one months notice.

Name of the Post: Senior Consultant (FPO) (01)

Basic Qualifications:

Senior Consultant (FPO) for promotion of FPO and Implementation of Government Schemes.

- (a) The Consultant should possess a minimum of post graduate university degree in Horticulture/Agriculture/Agri-business/Agri-Marketing/ Business Administration (MBA) with at least 20 years relevant work experience in project formulation, development policies, agribusiness, livelihoods and cooperatives;
- (b) A Doctorate degree in the above mentioned disciplines is desirable.
- (c) Experience in working with FPOs/FPCs.
- (d) Proven ability to work with rural communities on mobilization, on extension, business development and/or agricultural production;
- (e) Past experience of working in Government Organization and reputed Private organization specializing in agribusiness activities;
- (f) Project management and analytical background;
- (g) Should have experience in monitoring of Government Schemes and evaluating project proposals;
- (h) Proactive team player with confidence to interact with a wide variety of stakeholders at all levels of the organization including senior management staff;
- (i) Ability to think strategically and rapidly analyze and integrate diverse information from varied sources and take quick decisions;
- (j) Ability to work independently to build and maintain effective relationship with colleagues and wide range of clients/external parties.

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## JOB PROFILE

The candidate will be required to undertake the following major activities:

- (a) Supervise and coordinate activities/projects relating to agricultural development schemes including appraisal, financing, monitoring and evaluation.
- (b) Liaisoning with Central/State Governments/Implementing Agencies in discharging the above duties.
- (c) Conduct concurrent/impact evaluation of the above projects.
- (d) Initiate and sponsor Agri-Business/Agri-Marketing activities like post harvest management, collective marketing and the like.
- (e) To develop business model for strengthening and sustainability of FPCs.
- (f) To promote accelerate FPO formation as per target of Govt. of India.
- (g) To link the FPOs with e-NAM.
- (h) Assist in conducting of conferences, workshops, meeting of working groups etc.
- (i) Undertake basic administrative coordination and networking tasks as assigned from time to time.
- (j) Any other work given by the SFAC Administration.

Emoluments: Rs.75,000–1,00,000/- per month depending on experience.

Age: Not above 56 years as on last date of submission of application.

Suitable and eligible candidates may send their application in a sealed envelope super scribe as “Application for Engagement of Senior Consultant on Short Term Contract Basis” with detailed Curriculum Vitae directly to the Managing Director, SFAC latest by 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. The Consortium reserves the right to short-list the candidates based on qualifications, experience and suitability. The short listed candidates shall be called for interview before Selection Committee.

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