



# Ministry of Agriculture

## Program Management Unit

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### TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR RECRUITMENTS UNDER THE BUILDING CLIMATE RESILIENCE PROJECT(BCRP)

#### **5. Post Title: Agronomist (FOOD CROPS SPECIALIST)**

**Reports to: BCRP Technical Lead**

**Primary Location: Bong County**

**Start Date: January 3, 2022**

**Contract Period: One (1) year renewable**

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**Key results expected / major functional activities include:**

Specifically, the Agronomist / Food Crop Specialist will:

- Provide specialized services, technical advice, expertise and assistance on food crops research and development focusing on rice and vegetable.
- Serve as technical lead for improving productivity of rice and vegetable production and processing
- Support the work of the MOA in the area of food crops, especially rice and vegetables production;
- Provision of training to farmers in rice and vegetable on nursery management, improved crop production techniques, IPPM, harvest and post-harvest handling (including dissemination of flyers and leaflets), etc. via FFS approach as needed;
- Establishment of vegetable gardens nurseries and distribution of seedlings;
- Provision of nutrition education to promote consumption of diversified diets;
- Participate in the development of manuals on agronomic practices of major food and crops in Liberia;
- In collaboration with CARI, guide and supervise the introduction of new food crop varieties and planting material for adaptation to the local environment;

- Provide or coordinate institutional and operational support to food crops (rice & vegetable) service providers and farmers to facilitate food crops production;
- Work with key stakeholders such as seed companies, agro-dealers (distributors and sub-distributors), equipment suppliers, rice and vegetable buyers to foster a value chain approach;
- Work closely with the M&E Unit and other project team to draft quarterly project progress reports and terminal report for the project;
- Work closely with other project team members, especially M&E unit to develop the Annual Work Plan and Budget;
- Participate in policy formulation by Government on issues that affect food crops production, value addition and marketing;
- Perform other related duties as may be requested by the BCRP Technical Lead

**Qualification and Experience:**

- B.Sc. degree in General Agriculture, Agronomy or closely related discipline. Higher level qualifications will be an advantage
- Knowledge of food cropping systems, especially rice and vegetables.
- At least 5 years of relevant experience including at least 2 years in implementation of agricultural productivity enhancement projects, especially related to food crops.
- Good writing skills and computer literacy are required.

**Applications:**

All Interested and qualified applicants should address their applications including letter of interest along with Curriculum Vitae and copies of relevant Diplomas/Certificate to the below address via email:

**Kindly indicate in the email subject, the Title of the position you are applying for.**

**Recruitment Team**

**IFAD Projects PIU**

**Programme Management Unit Ministry of Agriculture Email: [recruit@moa.gov.lr](mailto:recruit@moa.gov.lr)**

**Deadline for submission of Applications: December 15, 2021 at 5PM GMT**

**QUALIFIED WOMEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY**

Only pre-selected consultants will be contacted.