DETAILS OF EDUCATION QUALIFICATION(S) & EXPERIENCE(S) FOR CONSULTANT (EXPERT) AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANT

Consultant (Expert)

- Agriculture Experts holding Ph.D. degree in the field of Agronomy/Plant Breeding/Horticulture with experience of working in Agriculture/Horticulture Departments/Research institutions at the State or Centre with at least 20 years of experience including at least 10 years in oilseeds/oil palm sector in the capacity Principal Scientist/Director or equivalent. The selected consultant will be asked to provide consultancy to TMOP Division at New Delhi and at the Directorate of Oilseeds Development, Hyderabad as per requirement and decision taken by the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation. The consultant within the age of 65 years will be preferred.
- Besides oilseeds, knowledge of oil palm sector including pricing mechanism of FFBs pricing, processing and handling, knowledge of oil palm cultivation, knowledge of oil palm cultivation abroad and other post harvest issues connected with the marketing and processing of oil palm sector as desirable.
- Experience in working in IT enabled environment and familiarity with working on database. Good knowledge of computer programmes like MS-Word, Excel, Power Point and Internet.
- Ability to monitor field programmes, analyse data and organize meetings and workshops at regional and national level and prepare projects, write reports/seminar notes/articles.
- Willingness to undertake travel to the States as and when required by DAC.
- Ability to communicate and work with state level officials, farmers and other stakeholders.
- Age :- Preferred age within 65 years.

Technical Assistant

- B.Sc Agriculture plus 2 years relevant experience or M.Sc Agriculture/Horticulture.
- Good knowledge of computer programmes like MS-Word, Excel, Power Point and Internet.
- Ability to analyse data and prepare reports and seminar notes/articles etc.

The following duties to be performed by the Consultant/Technical Assistant

- To monitor in Oil Palm Area Expansion (OPAE) programme and compilation of data in respect of oil palm and other crops of the programme and other parameters for the State/States and also at national level.
- Help in complete examination, reconciliation of the projects approved by SLSC/DAC for its implementation in the States.
- To help in identification of interventions and suggest methodology for applicability of programme to achieve the objectives, analysis and interpretation of data, formulation of strategies for future.
- To provide inputs in handling the assigned task/issues connected with the programme to the TMOP Division/DAC.
- To visit the State/States assigned for physical and financial monitoring of the Programme and to provide a detailed report of the visit to TMOP/DAC.
- To monitor funds flow under OPAE through RKVY and its complementary efforts for oil
 palm development programme covered under ISOPOM scheme in consultation with
 technical units/officials of DAC.
- To help in documentation of success stories for dissemination amongst the farmers.
- To consultant will be required to be attend the office of the oil palm unit of TMOP on regular basis or as decided by the Divisional head.
- The service of consultant/technical assistant will be upto March 2012 and maximum for one year subject to continuance of programme with the approval of competent authority.
- The continuance services of consultant/technical assistant will depend on the satisfactory service report in DAC.
- To keep close coordination with the State specific responsible consultant appointed by RKVY Division.

Remuneration:

- The consolidated remuneration for Consultant (Expert) will be Rs. 35000/- p.m and Rs 15000/- pm for Technical Assistant.
- This position is available initially for a period of six months which may be further extended by six months.
