

Employment Opportunities (USAID)

Vacancy Announcement No. USAID 13-04

OPEN TO: Myanmar Citizens

POSITION: Project Management Specialist (Agriculture), FSN-10 (Training Level)

OPENING DATE: August 20, 2013

CLOSING DATE: September 3, 2013

WORK HOURS: Full-time; 40 hrs/week

SALARY: Ordinarily Resident (OR): FSN-10

The U.S. Embassy in Rangoon is seeking an individual for the position of Project Management Specialist (Agriculture) in the Economic Growth Office (EGO) in the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION:

Acts as the US Mission's local advisor on agriculture and food security and for the agricultural and food security elements of USAID/Burma's strategy. Involve with agriculture-related programming decisions (project design, implementation management and administration, monitoring and evaluation) in areas that include, but are not limited to, agricultural production, agricultural technology, bio-safety, crop diversification, and food security activities and policies. Apply extensive analysis of Burma's agriculture and food security situation, macro-economic and sectoral development and policy dynamics (food production, food aid, agriculture, agribusiness, nutrition) in order to inform programs aimed at alleviating food insecurity, reducing poverty, and fostering sustainable economic growth. Advise and coordinate the partnership efforts of USAID/Burma with other donors, the government of Burma (GOB), contractors, grantees, PVOs, NGOs, and the private sector to best utilize USAID resources to ensure achievement of the Mission's food security and agricultural strategy. Also provides substantive socio-economic support to other development programs on agricultural research management and institutional building, agricultural extension, rural development, income generation, food security enhancement, and poverty reduction.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

NOTE: All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

1. A University degree in Economics, Agricultural Economics, Development Economics or another closely related field is required.
2. Two - three years of progressively responsible technical/managerial experience in government or private sector at professional level dealing with design, management and accountability of development activities, with special emphasis on high-value project analysis, implementation/administration, monitoring and evaluation, with focus on food, food security and the agriculture sector.
3. Level IV, strong written and oral proficiency in English and Burmese is required.
4. An expert knowledge of operational procedures related to development issues particularly host government agriculture, food and food security management system; a thorough specialized knowledge and understanding of the concepts, aspects, principles, policies, techniques, and agricultural research and development, diversity in agricultural production and marketing ; thorough knowledge of project documentation requirement, design and implementation procedures and knowledge of gender and environment in development principles and demonstrated experience in their application.
5. Ability to perform high quality analysis to deal with economic policy planning, agricultural research planning and project management issues. Ability to evaluate information to derive conclusions, ideas or judgments that help solving problems, planning ahead and create innovative thoughts. Strong ability to prepare short papers

- on sector strategy, performance and progress on program implementation and must be able to quickly review and comment on reports, studies and other documents prepared by implementing partners as deliverables.
6. Must demonstrate proficiency in word processing, spreadsheets, databases, presentations and other computer applications (i.e. Microsoft Office, Excel, Power Point, etc.)

IN ADDITION TO THE ELIGIBILITY AND QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH POSITION IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING ARE ALSO SELECTION CRITERIA:

1. Management will consider nepotism/ conflict of interest, budget and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
2. Eligible age: Between 18 and 60

TO APPLY:

Interested applicants must submit the following or the application will not be considered:

1. Universal Application for Employment as a Locally Employed Staff or Family Member (DS-174); or
2. A current resume or curriculum vitae that provides the same information as an DS-174; plus
3. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed below.
4. Do not attach Photo

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

Human Resources Office
U.S. Embassy
110 University Avenue
Kamayut Township, Yangon

(Or)

Send by e-mail to HRORangoon@state.gov

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