

Technical Coordinator Livelihoods and Agriculture

Location: [Asia & Pacific] [Laos]

Town/City: Vientiane Capital

Category: Food Security & Livelihood

Job Type: Fixed term, Full-time

Technical Coordinator Livelihoods and Agriculture – Food for Assets Project

Sepon or Xonnabouly District, Savannakhet Province

World Vision is a global community of millions, working together for one purpose: to change the lives of vulnerable children.

Our vision for every child, life in all its fullness.

Are you a motivated professional who wants to make a difference in Lao PDR?

The World Food Program (WFP), the Lao Red Cross, and World Vision with the support of the Government of Japan and the coordination with the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare are assisting the needs of vulnerable flood-affected local communities in Savannakhet Province to meet their immediate food needs and rehabilitate community assets that strengthen their resilience to future shocks.

World Vision is taking the lead for the activities to create or rehabilitate community resilience in Xepone and Xonnabouly districts by using WFP and World Vision's **Food for Assets (FFA) approach**, where vulnerable households are provided with food stocks in exchange for their labor and time needed for the village to restore or build gender-sensitive community assets, that promote building community resilience to the degraded natural environment and changing climate, and steered to address gender inequalities.

The Project is a 15 months intervention (October 2021 – December 2022), and will closely coordinate with the District Labour and Social Welfare Office in target districts, and Village Disaster Prevention and Control Committees in targeted villages, in order to reach both expected outputs.

- Enhanced creation/rehabilitation of gender-sensitive agricultural/environmental community assets and livelihood opportunity, in combination with addressing immediate food insecurity through rice distribution
- Strengthen partnerships and enhance monitoring mechanisms to ensure sustainability.

The Technical Coordinator Agriculture and Livelihood is mainly responsible to:

Lead all activities of Output1 in the main district of reference

Lead the implementation of quality control measures on material, equipment, and construction work, and the post monitoring use and maintenance

Coordinate representation at district level with local partners and authorities and district authorities, in particular District Labour and Social Welfare.

And in both districts (Xepone or Xonnabuly) to:

In coordination with the other technical coordinator, build the database for gender sensitive agriculture/environmental assets, the main foundation prior conducting the Gender Community Based Participatory Planning

Lead the adaptation and use of technical materials for deliver integrated nutrition, natural resource management, short-courses through farming or community-based disaster risk reduction training - depending on identified community asset.

Major responsibilities

Responsible for project implementation of selected project outputs and quality assurance

Related to activities under: output 1 in the district of reference

- * Work with the Project Manager to plan, implement and monitor activities and report of project activities following the approved monthly and annually plans.
- * Lead the implementation of quality control measures on material, equipment, and construction work, and the post monitoring use and maintenance
- * In coordination with Project Manager and Community Development Facilitators, identify and mitigate risks to ensure quality implementation of the activities.
- * Responsible for ensuring quality and integrity of Project implementation through analysis of results and learning, including identify and mitigate risks.

Technical capacity building and coordination

Related to activities under: Outcome 1

- * Develop the database for gender sensitive agriculture/environmental assets, the main foundation prior conducting the Gender Community Based Participatory Planning
- * Developed materials and content for integrated nutrition, natural resource management, WASH, short-courses through farming training depending on identified community asset
- * Lead and provide support to the community development facilitators (CDF), government counterpart and VDPCC the delivering of the technical training
- * Lead reflection and learning of technical project implementation for ongoing feedback and improvement with key project partners and stakeholders.

Reporting, monitoring, evaluation and learning

- * In coordination with CDFs, facilitate data collection among target beneficiaries and partners, supporting baseline, monthly Indicator Tracking Table, and evaluation.

- * Actively and continuously improving the quality of the activities, through technical reflection and prepare the learning for dissemination

- * Actively identify and write stories of change for beneficiaries of the Project

- * Provide alert on corrective actions required to avoid unalignment to design or any delays in implementation, including flagging operational issues and risks requiring timely actions

Administration and Finance

- * Liaise with administrative and finance staff for organizing and planning activities delivery following the procurement and budget requirements.

- * Whenever possible, facilitate activities payment through the centralized system, and liaise for advance for activities implementation when the prior is not possible.

- * Coordinate with Project Manager to evaluate monthly budgeting spending and calculate requests of advances.

District representation, networking and advocacy

- * Coordinate MoU meetings at district level

- * Coordinate workplan and implementation schedule with local authorities, especially District Labour and Social Welfare

- * Ensure that staff and partners in the district fully understand Safeguarding, PSEA Policy, the code of conduct, anti-bribery and fraud policy, and other child protection procedures.

- * Lead proactive engagement with other organizations present in the district.

- * Lead advocacy initiative at district level, in particular share the project progress and ensure integration within the Government reporting system.

Other duties as assigned by the Project Manager, as illustrative examples

* Commitment and support in case of humanitarian emergency

* Targeted support for specific activities in Output 2

Qualification

- Minimum 5 years' relevant experience in nutrition sensitive agriculture, WASH and climate resilience projects preferably with an International Non-Government Organization, or Development Agency (embassy, UN agencies, etc..) and community language abilities.
- Sound technical knowledge of including GEDSI integration.
- Clear understanding of improved techniques for building community resilience
- Ability to plan and work independently, result driven according to project targets.
- Demonstrated organizational and time management skills, working in a team and the ability to work under pressure and to organize and manage workload to meet deadlines.
- Demonstrated experience in following standard policies, procedures and processes and ensure the implementation of basic standard transactions including the management and acquittal of a cash advance.
- Demonstrated good interpersonal skills, sound judgment, planning, problem solving and team and local partner building skills.
- Minimum Bachelor Degree in agriculture, natural resource and environment or related field.
- Technical Diploma with additional years of relevant experience can be also considered in lieu of Bachelor degree.
- Proven experience in gender, disability and social equity sensitive approaches tools.
- A willingness to learn about World Vision integrated nutrition program.

- A willingness to understand and agree with WV's vision, mission and core values.
- Excellent ability in Microsoft Word, Excel and numeric skills.
- Fluent oral and written communication skills in Lao and intermediate oral and written English.
- Fluent oral skills in ethnic language from ethnic groups in Xepone or Xonnabuly.

Work Environment

- Based at district level.
- Choose between Xepone or Xonnabuly with frequent travel among the two
- In good health and physical conditions to move frequently among districts, and reach remote villages.
- Willingness to travel and stay overnight at community.
- English, Lao and preferred local ethnic minority language of the district.

Encouragement

World Vision is committed to the principles of workplace diversity. Qualified women and people with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

World Vision offers a competitive salary and comprehensive benefits package. We offer a challenging work environment, opportunities to lead, and a commitment to growing your skills in a fulfilling and international working environment.

Application

Interested candidates are invited to submit a **COVER LETTER** and **CV** to the address below. Please indicate the **POSITION TITLE**. Deadline for application is **24 October 2021**, however applicants are **encouraged to apply early** as applications will be reviewed on an ongoing basis and the position will close early if a suitable candidate is found.

Code of Conduct

World Vision has zero tolerance of incidents of violence or abuse against children and other people in the communities we serve, either committed by our staff or others connected to our work. We abhor any misuse of power, status, or trusted position for any sexual or other exploitative purposes. All World Vision's employees are required to adhere to and promote World Vision's shared responsibility and obligation to report matters involving Sexual Exploitation & Abuse, Trafficking in Persons, Child Safeguarding and any suggested violation to our Code of Conduct which may involve Conflicts of Interest, Fraud, Corruption or Harassment.

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