

NATURE-POSITIVE FARMING & WHOLESOME FOODS FOUNDATION (N+3F)

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Job opening- 1 position

Position: *Consultant - Sustainable Production*

Brief About the Position

Consultant-Sustainable Production will offer necessary technical support for wider adoption of context specific, biodiversity-based nature-positive farming systems (N+FS) across India, through active engagement with Farmers Organisations (FOs), Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and other relevant agencies. S/he will work closely with the team members in the central office and each region. This position requires frequent travel within the country for on-site technical support, project monitoring and programme development.

Length of employment: 5 to 10 days per month based on the assignments.

Specific responsibilities

1. Develop/compile resources on N+FS in easy-to-use formats (E.g., manuals, short films, booklets, etc.) and their wider dissemination.
2. Identify training needs of partners and organise capacity building events on N+FS and the related extension methods like Farmer Field Schools to Build a cadre of staff at the partner organisation level with necessary competencies on implementing N+FS and the related Standards and Guarantee Systems.
3. Offer handholding support to the partner organisations to evolve and establish robust context-specific N+FS at a viable and cost-efficient scale, building on the indigenous knowledge systems, especially that of women farmers.
4. Undertake need-based research to address the constraints faced by farmers and other stakeholders to advance context-specific N+FS.
5. Any other responsibility assigned by the management related to nature-positive farming systems (N+FS) promoting as per the requirement of the organization.

Skills/Knowledge

1. Strong competency on agroecological agricultural interventions, both at the theoretical and practical levels.
2. Thorough understanding of facilitating adoption of ecofriendly agriculture interventions by farmers and systematic scaling up of adoption.
3. Ability to engage with a large variety of stakeholders like FOs, NGOs, agricultural research institutions, KVKs, labs and experts.

Qualifications and Experience

- ❖ Post-Graduation or Ph.D. in Agriculture, Horticulture OR any other qualification relevant to the position from a reputed institution.
- ❖ Minimum 10-15 years of work experience in conceptualizing and direct implementation of any kind of agroecological agricultural interventions with FOs/CSOs.
- ❖ Previous experience of organizing training on agriculture technologies, undertaking on-farm research and offering technical support to practicing organisations.

Other Qualifications Required

- ❖ Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English and Hindi, including the ability to set out a coherent analysis in presentations, reports and articles.
- ❖ Passion for the cause of 'ensuring safe and wholesome foods to all'
- ❖ Proactive, self-driven, while at the same time being a good team player, with excellent interpersonal skills and a track record of delivering products and programs from scratch.
- ❖ Interested to work with rural communities, people from varying backgrounds, demographic characteristics and educational levels.

The position will be a remote one with need-based travel to N+3F office at Bengaluru and field partners. The salary shall be commensurable with experience and industry standards. N+3F is an equal opportunity employer.

To apply: Candidates should submit a cover letter and resume, including contacts of two references, to karthikeyan@np3f.in

Start Date: As soon as possible

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.