The Wildlife Conservation Society WCS Cambodia Program

Positions : Agronomy Officer (SRP)
Project Name : WCS-GPL Cambodia Program
Duty Station : GPL Kompong Thom province
Managed by : USAID GPL Livelihood Manger (KPT)

WCS Landscape Technical Advisor

WCS works in over 60 countries to save wildlife and wild places through science, conservation action, education, and inspiring people to value nature. The WCS Cambodia Program has worked since 1999 to support the Cambodian Government to conserve wildlife, develop and implement policy, develop understand and enforce the law, and especially to implement field projects at seven main sites around Cambodia.

WCS Cambodia is looking for a qualified candidate to fill the position of SRP Officer to be based at GPL Kampong Thom province. This position requires an individual who is able to travel to remote areas for up to 3 weeks at a time, with Kampong Thom as home base. The work will take place in Northern Tonle Sap Protected Landscapes, Kampong Thom province.

Agronomy Officer is mainly responsible for providing technical support on rice production to farmer and promoting sustainable agriculture techniques with environmental friendly approach. Agronomy Officer will work closely with Community Officer on establishing a suitable official farmer organization for SRP rice group producers, and capacity building within new farmer organization related to Sustainable Rice Platform (SRP) and management in the sustainable way.

Report to: SRP Team Leader **Report to job holder**: N/A

Due report: Monthly work plan, monthly technical report

MAIN RESPONSIBILITY:

- Prepare training materials and provide technical training to SRP farmer on rice production to improve SRP standard score.
- Promote sustainable agriculture.
- Documentation of any relevant new agricultural practices and specific case of study
- Identify agronomy issues and challenges and potential solution
- Ensure agronomy SRP standards and requirements are met
- Monitor SRP farmer's activities and farmer diary
- Cooperate with technical advisor to design research and activities plan
- Build good working relationships with relevant community groups, committees, partner organization and supply chain operators.
- Submit monthly work and budget plan, and report to Project Coordinator.
- Any other duties as deemed necessary by line managers.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE:

Bachelor Degree in Agronomy or related fields.

- At least 2-years work experience particularly on sustainable rice cultivation and agriculture extension, or experience in applying agricultural practice in any specific field in Cambodia.
- Experience on environmentally friendly agriculture would be good asset.
- Understanding agriculture value chain concept

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- Experience in training and facilitation skills
- Be able to handle project tasks with less supervision
- Excellent speaking, reading, and writing skills in Khmer.
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- Computer skills (Word, Excel, PowerPoint etc.)
- Able to work in remote area with low levels of technical support on site, with significant portions of time spent living and working in communities.
- Ability to travel by motorbike
- Maintain good team discipline and motivation.