

# Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment

## **"Strengthening Capacity to control the Introduction and Spread of Invasive Alien Species in Sri Lanka" Project**

The Biodiversity Secretariat of the Ministry of Mahaweli Development and Environment invites applications from suitable citizens of Sri Lanka to fill a key position in the project on "Strengthening Capacity to control the Introduction and Spread of Invasive Alien Species (IAS) in Sri Lanka" which is funded by the Global Environmental Facility (GEF) through the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and implemented through government stakeholder agencies.

Invasive Alien Species (IAS) are considered as troublesome organisms that make a negative contribution to biodiversity. Therefore, prevention of introduction, control and eradication of those alien species is important to protect biodiversity.

The objectives of this project are to increase capacity across sectors, build a comprehensive national regulatory system and institutional mechanism, develop new initiatives and share best practices to control and manage IAS in Sri Lanka.

Applications are invited from the citizens of Sri Lanka to be considered for the following post. The successful candidates will be recruited on contract basis for a one year period and extended for another year based on successful performance. Below mentioned post available is given within brackets;

### **PROJECT MANAGER (01)**

The candidates for the above position must have good knowledge on biodiversity conservation / natural resource management and should be familiar with the implementation of donor funded projects. S/he will have to plan, implement, manage all the project activities (both administrative & technical) and coordinate with all the stakeholders under the guidance of the Project Management Specialist and the Project Director. S/he should effectively organize and lead the work of a multi-disciplinary team and deliver the project outcomes in scheduled period of time.

#### **Minimum Qualifications**

- i) Academic qualification should be Masters Degree with a basic degree in Natural Science / Agriculture / Environmental Science or Management / Economics and more than 5 years professional experience at managerial level in a government or reputed non-governmental organization relating natural resource management.

**Or**

Class I officer of a government all island service / similar status with at least two (02) years experience in the relevant field.

- ii) Excellent knowledge in Word processing, Excel and other computer applications.
- iii) Ability to work in English

The selected candidate for the above position will be paid with salary and other benefits in terms of the Management Service Circular No. 33 of 05th April 2007.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the position mentioned above could be obtained by sending a request to email address: [biodiversitysl@gmail.com](mailto:biodiversitysl@gmail.com) of the Biodiversity Secretariat.

Candidate for the position will be selected by a panel appointed by the Ministry, based on CV's and interview. Interested candidates for the above position should forward an Expressions of Interest (EOI) and Curriculum-Vitae with all details of academic / professional qualifications, experience in the field and details of similar assignments so far undertaken and two referees by registered post addressed to the **Project Director, Biodiversity Secretariat, 5/980, Wickramasinghe Place, Ethulkotte, Rajagiriya** within 14 days from the date of this advertisement.

**Note:** The above panel reserves all the rights to accept or reject the applications without assigning any reason.

#### **Secretary**

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