



VACANCY
AGRICULTURE OFFICER, LIMPOPO NATIONAL PARK (MOZAMBIQUE)

Duration: Two (2) Years Fixed Term Contract
Location: Limpopo National Park (LNP)

Background:

Peace Parks Foundation (PPF) is a non-profit organisation established to facilitate the creation and development of Transfrontier Conservation Areas (TFCA) in Southern Africa. PPF is currently supporting the development of conservation areas in Mozambique through partnership agreements with the National Administration of Conservation Areas (ANAC). The Agence Française de Développement (AFD) is financing the One Limpopo One Health (OLOH) project and will be implemented by the Peace Parks Foundation, together with the Administration of the LNP. PPF therefore wishes to appoint an Agriculture Officer.

The position will be based at the Limpopo National Park (LNP) in Massingir which is an essential component of the Greater Limpopo Transfrontier Conservation Area. The OLOH aims to contribute to the sustainable and climate change resilient socio-economic development of the communities around the LNP. To achieve this, the project is arranged around four technical pillars. These four technical pillars all aim to promote the development of agriculture and livestock, the sustainable management of natural resources, and socio-community development.

Job Overview:

This position although based on the management of Agrarian Resources existing in the buffer zone, was created to guarantee and facilitate a comprehensive approach to OLOH project. Is aimed to incentive sustainable agricultural and livestock from OLOH projects.

The agriculture officer must have experience in working in rural development, be familiar with climate changes issues, and biodiversity, conservation and organic agriculture, irrigation scheme, drip irrigation, agroforestry, livestock development and agriculture-livestock integration.

Specific key performance areas will include:

- Provide support and follow the recommendations established according to the plans and strategies for agriculture and agroforestry during the missions and implement the recommendations once they have been confirmed by the project manager;
- Supervising the actions of agricultural extension workers in agricultural activities, both for irrigated agriculture (18 irrigation schemes and 4 to 6 drip irrigation schemes) and for rainfed agriculture (organic conservation agriculture) adapted to climate change;
- Develop and implement programs to ensure the protection of plant communities against insects, pests, plant diseases and uncontrolled fires, directing appropriate control and prevention operations;
- Helping to develop the forestry seedling nursery of Chibotane and disseminate seedlings;
- Serves as a liaison with PAC to T.A and Governmental districtal departments (SDAE of Massingir and Mabalane) and NGO partners;
- Work with Herding for Health and the Livestock Delegations of the Massingir and Mabalane District Economic Activities Departments to set up livestock farming and agriculture-livestock farming integration activities, in close collaboration with the Animal Husbandry Technical Assistant;

- Oversees the inventory, use, and maintenance of OLOH equipment and facilities used for agriculture, livestock management, irrigation schemes and demonstration fields drip irrigation;
- Support CIRAD/UEM/H4H/TA in conducting projects studies and reports;
- Monitoring the agricultural campaign;
- Prepare agricultural and livestock fairs with PAC/H4H;
- Create mechanisms for integrating and compensating local traders;
- Support the creation of sharing mechanisms for income generation projects;
- Work with gender officer to identify vulnerable groups.

Other Duties:

- Train community farmers in deferent methodologies of protection crops;
- Present monthly narrative reports of activities;
- Provide feedback on the progress of work in the field;
- Participate in OLOH meetings and represent the perspective of the extensionists;
- Participate in the selection of beneficiaries for all ongoing programs with the involvement of SDAE and community leaders;
- Promote and disseminate technologies through on-form tests, results demonstration fields and pest control;
- Participate with the Technical Assistance in evaluation;
- Produce communication and outreach materials.

Role Requirements:

- At least five (5) years' of experience in agriculture projects;
- Preferably a degree in either Agriculture and livestock, Agroforest, Zootechnics or equivalent;
- Demonstrable knowledge and exposure to MS Word, MS Excel and MS PowerPoint is critical;
- Good knowledge of Portuguese with a working written and spoken English capacity is essential, speaking changana is an advantage;
- Work experience in natural resource utilisation, land-use management, and local development;
- Knowledge of subsistence farming systems, crop production and community based natural resource methods will be highly advantageous;
- Drive license.

Interested candidates are invited to submit a cover letter detailing their interest in and suitability for the position and a Curriculum Vitae, with full address, telephone number, email address and contact details of at least three contactable references. These should be submitted by **9th August 2024**.

A competitive salary package will be negotiated, based on qualifications and experience.

Applications should be submitted to:

Human Resources

Email: recrutamentooloh@gmail.com

SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES will be contacted to attend an interview. Should you not hear from us within two weeks from the closing date, your application was unsuccessful.