Technical Officer (Vegetables)
Jharkhand, India

The World Vegetable Center (WorldVeg) is an international non-profit institute for vegetable research and development. Founded in 1971 with headquarters in Taiwan, the Center’s global network today covers East and Southeast Asia, sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia and Central Asia. The Center mobilizes resources from the public and private sector to realize the potential of vegetables for healthier lives and more resilient livelihoods. WorldVeg's improved varieties, production and postharvest methods help farmers increase vegetable harvests, raise incomes in poor rural and urban households, create jobs, and provide healthier, more nutritious diets for families and communities. For more information, please visit our website: worldveg.org

WorldVeg is seeking applications for the post of Technical Officer to conduct vegetable research and extension services to implement its vegetable improvement program with smallholder farmers in Jharkhand, India. The position will be based at Gumla, Jharkhand to work in the JOHAR project. This position is open for Indian nationals only.

Responsibilities:
To work under the guidance of the Team Leader and Agronomist/Plant Pathologist leading the JOHAR project to implement project activities in the target locations, including:
- Coordinating all project field activities in the assigned district areas;
- Provide technical assistance and monitoring support to farming communities engaged in implementing project activities;
- Conduct field trials and demonstrations in the designated district areas under the supervision of the Agronomist/Plant Pathologist;
- Collect data, conduct analyses, and maintain records of all project activities undertaken;
- Prepare inputs for technical and project reports as requested by the Team Leader;
- Organize and coordinate trainings for farming communities and local partner agencies;
- Assist in the preparation of periodic progress reports, technical papers, presentations for meetings, and annual reports as needed for donors, project beneficiaries, and team members.

Competencies:
- Good working knowledge of agriculture especially local vegetable cultivation;
- Strong written and verbal communication skills in English and Hindi;
- Good computational skills in spreadsheets, word processing and data analysis and exposure to handling variety evaluation trials;
- Highly motivated, with a passion to improve agricultural systems;
- Strong team player and willing to work as part of an extended team comprising several agencies.

Qualifications and experience: Diploma/Degree in Agriculture/Horticulture and at least 2 years’ working experience in projects related to vegetables.

General: The position is for one year, renewable on an annual basis for up to five years depending on performance and the project’s continuing need for the position. An attractive compensation is offered for the right candidates.

How to Apply: The application should include an up-to-date resume, a recent passport size photograph, names and addresses (including phone & e-mail) of three referees and the date of availability. Please send applications stating the job title clearly on the application/envelope, to Human Resources Services, ICRISAT, Patancheru, Andhra Pradesh 502 324, or send applications by e-mail to WorldVeg-SA@cgiar.org by 31 March, 2020. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

WorldVeg strongly welcome women candidates to apply.