

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

### **Lead -District Consultant Bharat Rural Livelihoods Foundation**

**Position:** AgRMLT Lead – District Consultant

**Location:** Chhatarpur, MP with travel to BRLF geographies of operation

**Number of Positions:** One

**Reports To:** Program Lead-BRLF

**Tenure:** This is a project-specific consultancy offered for a six-month contract period (Full Time). Renewal may be possible, depending on the project requirement, availability of funds, and performance considerations.

#### **1. ORGANISATION BACKGROUND:**

BRLF is an autonomous body established in 2013 under the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India. It stands out for its unique approach to livelihood development of rural and tribal communities. We aim to transform the lives and livelihoods of the most vulnerable tribal and rural populations across India, nurturing and facilitating civil society action in partnership with the state and central governments. Our focus on livelihoods through natural resource management, watershed development, and climate-resilient sustainable agriculture, along with our emphasis on entrepreneurship, skilling, and financial inclusion, makes our interventions comprehensive and impactful, leading to significant improvements in the lives of rural and tribal communities located mainly in the central tribal belt of the country. However, our geographical scope is pan-India.

For more details, visit [www.brlf.in](http://www.brlf.in)

#### **2. ROLE DESCRIPTION:**

BRLF would be implementing the project “Agroecology-based Regional Model Landscape Transformation (AgRMLT)” (hereinafter referred to as ‘Project’) in two blocks of Chhatarpur district of Madhya Pradesh. The objective of the project is building an agroecology-based landscape collaborative governance model in two blocks of Chhatarpur district of Madhya Pradesh. This project will be implemented in coordination with the Madhya Pradesh chapter of the National Coalition for Natural Farming (NCNF).

The Project Lead-District Consultant for the AgRMLT (Agroecology- based regional model landscape transformation) project under the Bharat Rural Livelihoods Foundation (BRLF) is responsible for managing and coordinating project activities at the district level. The project implemented by BRLF is in coalition with NCNF (National Coalition for Natural

Farming). Experience in managing district-level projects and working with diverse community stakeholders is essential.

### **3. KEY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Support the State Lead in forming district- and block-level coalitions.
2. Manage and coordinate with district- and block-level coalitions for baseline studies and market scoping studies.
3. Review the operational status, gaps, and support plans of agriculture and allied department schemes in the selected project areas.
4. Assist coalitions in establishing effective relationships with government machinery at district and block levels.
5. Support the agroecology and food systems development coalition in creating landscape-level action plans.
6. Facilitate meetings and capacity-building training programs for various stakeholders and partners.
7. Monitor progress and action plans and share updates periodically with coalition members.
8. Ensure effective coordination and communication with key stakeholders and governance structures at district and sub-district levels.
9. Any other tasks assigned by the Reporting Manager

### **4. QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND COMPETENCIES:**

#### **Educational Background:**

- A bachelor's or master's degree in social sciences, rural development, agriculture, natural resource management, or related disciplines.
- Advanced certifications in project management or rural development are advantageous.

#### **Experience:**

- Minimum 4-7 years of experience in implementing development projects, particularly in the areas of rural livelihoods, sustainable agriculture, or natural resource management.
- Experience working at the district level with government departments, NGOs, or international development organizations.
- Proven track record of mobilizing and working closely with rural communities and local institutions.
- Hands-on experience in executing district-level projects with measurable outcomes.
- Ability to engage with government officials, local organizations, and grassroots institutions.

**Competencies:**

- Capacity to lead and coordinate a small team working across multiple locations within the district.
- Effective team player with the ability to build local capacity.
- Proficiency in written and verbal communication in English and the regional/local language.
- Strong interpersonal skills to establish and maintain stakeholder relationships.
- Familiarity with district-level rural development schemes and policies.
- Knowledge of sustainable agriculture practices and natural resource management strategies.
- Understanding of M&E frameworks and ability to track project performance.
- Competence in managing budgets and financial reporting for district-level activities.
- Ability to identify and address implementation challenges effectively.
- Proficiency in MS Office tools and basic project management software.

**5. COMPENSATION OFFERED:**

The consultancy package is budgeted for INR 55,000-60,000 per month. The offer made to the selected candidate shall be commensurate with the qualifications, experience, and salary history.

**6. LOCATION:** Chhatarpur, MP**7. Age Limit:** Max. Up to 40 years**8. Languages**

Good command of speaking, reading, and writing in English and Hindi are required.

**9. APPLICATION PROCESS:**

**Eligible candidates interested in this position are requested to apply through a [link](#). Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, and the position will remain open until filled. Early submission is encouraged, with a final application deadline of January 19, 2025.**

**BRLF is an equal-opportunity organization that does not discriminate based on religious belief, social class, caste, special ability or gender. Women are encouraged to apply.**

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