

DEVELOPING A COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK FOR PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NAGOYA PROTOCOL-ABS JOB DESCRIPTION

I. Position Information

Job Title: **Driver**

Reports to: Administrative officer

Contract Type: Contract staff

Classified Level: L-2

Duration: One year with possibility of renewal

II. Background

Cambodia's specific geographical location and long history and complicated topographical, ecological and social features has resulted in it becoming a prosperous, rich and diverse plants genetic resource country. While diverse climatic conditions diversified the country's flora with both tropical and temperate plants, thousands of years if agricultural practice by ethnic groups enriched its crop genetic resources with great numbers of local cultivars and land race. In term of medicinal plants, the high level of genetic diversity makes Cambodia an attractive country for bio-prospecting, especially given that there are approximately 800 known medicinal plants, many of which have associated knowledge.

However, Cambodia faces a wide range of issues that threaten its biological diversity and ecological security. These threats emanate from the transition from a subsistence-based agrarian economy to a consumption-based cash economy, competing land-use from urbanization and infrastructure development, poaching of wild plants and animals, localized overharvesting for timber, fuel wood and non-wood forest products, human-wildlife conflicts, and climate change. Because of the threat to biological resources, the traditional knowledge of local communities that is associated with genetic resources, the traditional knowledge of local communities that is associated with genetic resources is disappearing rapidly, due to the change of traditional lifestyles. A large volume of traditional knowledge, such as medicinal use of biological resources, is being replaced by modern technology.

To counter the various threats to biodiversity, the country has planned various strategies for the conservation and sustainable use of biological resources for socio-economic development. However, making use of its biodiversity and traditional knowledge for the promotion of bio-prospecting and of an access and benefits-sharing (ABS) national regime that is constrained by several factors. The country currently does not have a fully functional regulatory and institutional framework for ABS, and the institutional and personnel capacity to carry out bio-prospecting beyond basic level and develop and manage ABS schemes that are compliant with Nagoya Protocol. The project is intended to strengthen national capacities on access and benefit sharing of genetic resource to facilitate the implementation of the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing. The above objective would be achieved through two components, namely: (i) Creating and enabling national policy, legal and institutional framework for ABS consistent with the CBD and its Nagoya Protocol, and (ii) Developing Capacity and administrative measure for implementation of national ABS legal framework.

III. Functions / Key Results Expected

The Driver/Messenger's specific responsibilities are as follows:

- 1. Drive the project staff and experts for official trips in a safe manner;
- 2. Play active role as messenger by delivering and collecting mail or documents from relevant government agencies, NGOs and other institution, as required;
- 3. Be responsible for day-to-day maintenance of the assigned vehicle; check oil, water, battery, breaks, tires, etc.; perform minor repair and arrange for the other repairs and ensure that vehicle is kept clean;
- 4. Log official trips, record daily mileage, gas consumption, oil changes, greasing, etc.;
- 5. Meet and drop-off official personnel at the airport and facilitate immigration and custom formalities as required;
- 6. Ensure that the steps requires by rules and regulations are taken in case of involvement in accident;
- 7. Performs other duties as assigned.

IV. Recruitment Qualifications	
Education:	Primary education and valid driver's license;
Experience:	 Knowledge of driving rules and regulations and skills in minor vehicle repair; Minimum three-year work experience as driver with safe driving record
Language Requirements:	Good knowledge of the local language and basic knowledge of working English.

Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and CV with support references no later than 25th November 2020 to Ministry of Environment (MoE), Morodok Techo Building, Lot 503, Sangkat Tonle Bassac, Chamkarmon, Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

And/or email to: keosamnang.tiep@gmail.com.

For further information, please contact at: 069 393 666. Only short-listed candidates will be contact for interview.