

Government of Pakistan
Planning Commission
**Recruitment of
Agriculture Planning Adviser**

After successfully emerging out of the macroeconomic crisis plaguing the country over the years, Pakistan has set itself the goal of joining the high-growth league in the medium-term and of sustaining this high growth over the long-term. Towards this end, the Planning Commission wishes to benefit from the services of a competent professional in the field of agriculture at its senior management level. Food security, poverty reduction, rural uplift, and industrial/urban needs and accelerated growth require fresh approaches towards agriculture planning, with greater emphasis on livestock, fisheries and non-traditional and minor crops.

Our Expectations:

You will

- Recommend objectives, policies and strategies for the development of the agriculture sector during 2005-10 keeping in view the reports of the Working Groups on Agriculture, Water Resources and Livestock.
- Present an integrated view of Water and Agriculture.
- Review the production and productivity trends and suggest measures for increasing productivity.
- Identify priority areas and determine their production targets.
- Examine the requirement of different inputs and services to achieve the targets.
- Propose re-vamping of research and extension system.
- Identify marginal areas and suggest measures for improving their productivity.
- Recommend measures to improve the production, marketing and export of fruits, vegetables and flowers in order to achieve diversification towards high value crops.
- Work out an import substitution strategy for oilseeds.
- Review the present pricing, marketing and institutional arrangements to suggest improvements to face up to the WTO challenge.
- Recommend objectives, policies and strategies for the development of livestock, dairy, poultry and fisheries sub-sectors during 2005-10 and set appropriate targets.

- Identify the local and regional potential of the various areas and suggest measures for technology up-gradation and inputs for quantum jumps in the growth rates.
- Review the performance of livestock, dairy, poultry and fisheries (marine and sub-sectors inland) and suggest measures for increasing their productivity.
- Propose measures for improvement of productivity, marketing, processing, refrigeration and cold storage facilities for livestock, dairy, poultry and fisheries to accelerate the overall economic growth rate.
- Suggest measures for meeting the sanitary and phytosanitary requirements under WTO regime for export of fish and meat products.
- Review the existing programmes for genetic improvement of livestock and poultry sub-sectors and recommend priority research areas.
- Assess the requirements of animal health, modern slaughtering, fodder and feed, marketing arrangements and insurance
- Estimate the required level of investment, technologies and professional manpower for the development of the sector.

Your Qualifications and experience

You will have a postgraduate qualification in economics/agricultural economics/ agro- business from a reputable institution, preferably a doctorate, with a reasonable length of experience of research and work, a deep understanding of inter-sectoral linkages and a respectable standard of analytical writing and presentation. Wherever in the world you reside is immaterial, but you will have to be of Pakistani origin.

What should you expect

Market based salary equivalent to MP-I/MP-II and related facilities (except official transport), a two year contract and full support of the resources of four sections of the Planning Commission, i.e. Agriculture and Food, National Fertilizer Development Centre, Water Resources and Macroeconomics. You will thus be part of the management team, not a stand alone consultant.

How to Apply

If you think you fit the bill, please mail your CV to:

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Closing Date: 01st January, 2007.
