

Vacancy for Internship Nepal

Study on impacting policy makers in Nepal through Advocacy and Lobby

Country: Nepal

Client: Nepal Agriculture Co-operative Central Federation Ltd. (NACCFL)

Period: From May to July 2019 (tentative)

Deadline for application: 5 March 2019

Number of students we need: 1

Who are we looking for?

A student with a background in political science, public administration or similar studies, who is interested in cooperative development, rural development and stakeholder analysis. Preferably, the student has knowledge in using information technology for research.

Context

Nepal Agriculture Co-operative Central Federation Ltd. (NACCFL) is the umbrella organisation of small agricultural cooperatives (Small Farmer Agriculture Cooperative Limited or SFACL's) in Nepal, which was established in 2008 with the mission of providing non-financial services to the member organisations for their institutional development and for the socio-economic development of the small farmers and deprived class people. NACCFL covers 71 out of 77 districts in Nepal with in total 942 member cooperatives and 45 district agriculture cooperative federations. These member cooperatives have more than eight hundred thousand small farmers' household members. The majority of the members are women.



As an umbrella organisation, NACCFL has the responsibility to lobby for an enabling environment for the business of its member organisations. The members of NACCFL (the SFACL's) apply for grants available at different stakeholders including the Nepali government and lobby with stakeholders through the technical support from NACCFL. The increasing number of member organisations and opportunities for grant application have created a need at NACCFL to establish an Advocacy and Proposal Preparation Unit (APPU) to provide proposal writing services to member organisations. For that matter,

Agriterra assisted NACCFL in preparing a 3 years business plan for the APPU, with a clear set of activities and budgets.

The assignment

- To understand and review the current lobby & advocacy methodology used in NACCFL, to find gaps and provide recommendations to NACCFL.
- To understand and share the method of data collection using simple and convenient technology, data analysis system, stakeholder mapping and positioning proposals.
- To analyse the best practices in lobby in other Agriterra countries and to determine the steps to be taken in order to achieve successes and include those steps in the lobby procedure of NACCFL.
- Prepare a presentation on findings and recommendations for NACCFL employees and Agriterra staff in both Nepal and Arnhem.

In this assignment, the Dutch student will work closely together with the two employees in the Advocacy and Proposal Preparation Union (APPU).

Profile of the intern

Knowledge: Policy issues, policy development, policy proposal development

Experience: Lobby and Advocacy, proposal writing

Competences: Reporting skill, Analytical, Good interpersonal skill, Intercultural sensitive

Language level: English on high proficiency level

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Are you interested in this position and do you fit the profile? Then apply with a cover letter and curriculum vitae, by sending an e-mail before 5 March to

vacature@agriterra.org, to the attention of C.C. van Rij, manager agri-advice.

If you require further information, you can contact Richard van der Maden by sending an e-mail to vandermaden@agriterra.org.