

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Reference #	083/10/2025/AA/SuATI/Guwahati
Project	Support to Agroecological transformation processes in India (SuATI)
Position	Agriculture Advisor
Band	4
Location	Guwahati, Assam
<p>To apply click on the link: https://www.giz-jobs.com/india/</p> <p>Documents to be submitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CV and a statement of suitability for this position • A maximum of 2 pages note on one of the topics given below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ From your experience in engaging private sector players in agriculture, what strategies can ensure that investments in agroecology create a win-win for farmers, companies, and consumers while safeguarding inclusivity, fair pricing, and sustainability? Please illustrate with an example. <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ How can evidence from field-level agroecological initiatives be effectively translated into market linkages and national/state policies, and what role do you see for public-private-people partnerships (4Ps) in accelerating this transformation? Please share your personal experience. <p>Last Date of Application: 02nd November 2025</p>	

A. About GIZ India

For details, click on: <https://www.giz.de/en/worldwide/368.html>

B. Project Background

The project "Support to Agroecological transformation processes in India (SuATI)", of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), implemented by "Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH" is responsible for the implementation of planned measures to support Agroecological transformation processes in close coordination with the national partner Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare (MoAFW) and the corresponding federal partners of Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh and Assam. The project is part of the Environment, Climate Change and NRM Cluster in GIZ India.

Agricultural and food system in India faces the major challenge of sustainably ensuring the livelihoods of approximately 700 million people, who are directly dependent on agriculture and natural resources, as well as the healthy nutrition of the population, in the face of an intensifying climate crisis and massive overexploitation of natural resources. As part of the National Mission for Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (MoA&FW) also promotes programs for ecological (Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana, PKVY) and natural agriculture (Bhartiya Prakratik Krishi Paddhati, BPKP), specific program on organic farming through "Mission Organic Value Chain Development for Northeastern Region" (MOVCDNER), agroforestry and recently launched Guidelines of National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF). However, the potential of agroecological based agriculture practices are yet to be explored for larger uptake.

The project aims to improve the exchange and more coherent application of knowledge about agroecological and similar sustainable agricultural practices in India. It plans to establish backward

and forward linkages by strengthening links between market and agricultural and food systems. Educational, research and consulting institutions need support for generating evidence-based research to strengthen agroecological knowledge systems. The project is planning interventions in consultation with implementing partners and would document the outcome scientifically to support states and national government in their policies and programmes. The advertised position for the project will focus on involvement of the private sector in enhancing investments, supporting steady transactions with value and making rural communities as partners in the business.

C. Responsibilities

- Supporting Team Leader in coordinating the tasks with project partners at state level.
- Providing support in steering the implementation of the project to achieve project goals and outcomes in all the three project states.
- Managing the field operations of the project in close cooperation with implementing partners/consultants'/ agencies, and team members.
- Private Sector Engagement: Lead initiatives to enhance partnerships with the private sector, including investment promotion, procurement facilitation, and market linkages for agroecological producers.
- Policy & Dialogue Support: Facilitate technical dialogues, consultations, and public–private forums with government agencies, private sector players, and civil society actors.
- Supporting the dissemination of project outcomes to implementing and cooperating partners.
- Support in organising technical dialogues and consultations with government and other cooperating partners.

D. Core Scope of Tasks

- Work closely with SuATI team members across the other project states and senior team leader in developing and executing the road map in the involvement of the private sector.
- Develop and implement a roadmap for private sector engagement in agroecological value chains across project states.
- Draft and operationalize an approach paper and action plan for scaling private sector collaboration for agroecological approaches.
- Review the status of ongoing cooperation in project states and propose action plan to execute the proposed approach.
- Hold dialogue and discussions with relevant partners and prepare them with capacity building initiatives for understanding and implement activities with the private sector
- Support in preparing inputs for technical dialogues and policy discussions with government partners and private sector from time to time
- Prepare quantitative and qualitative reports quarterly as per Result Based Monitoring framework of GIZ
- Support team leader in preparing concept notes/ and in conducting workshops, seminars and other events on issues connected with the project/programme's area of activity.
- Ensuring the implementation of grants and contracts as per tasks listed and proposing relevant changes if needed.
- Provide relevant and timely inputs to the annual reports to be submitted to the BMZ.
- Undertake regular field visits to monitor activities and strengthen partner engagement.

Other duties/additional tasks, if any

- Perform other duties and tasks at the request of management.
- Represent the interests of GIZ and the project with stakeholders.

E. Required Qualifications, Experience and Competencies

- Master's degree in agriculture/Agribusiness Management or MBA with specialization in Agribusiness, Sustainability or Agriculture Supply Chain.
- 5 years of experience in engaging with private sector players in investment and developing marketing portfolio in organic/ natural/ sustainable agriculture projects.
- Experience in Private sector engagement, impact investment/ Public Private Partnerships agriculture.
- Demonstrated skills in office computer use - word processing, spreadsheets, databases, and communication software and Familiarity with digital agriculture tools, e-marketing platforms, and MIS systems desirable.
- Fluency in English (reading, writing and speaking) is mandatory. Knowledge of local language is preferred.

F. Location: Guwahati, Assam

G. Duration of the contract: Until 31st December 2027

Application without GIZ application form will not be considered

- Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.
- GIZ supports Work-Life Balance.
- GIZ promotes Gender Diversity – Applications from women professionals are encouraged.
- Please note that those individuals who have completed a consultancy assignment with GIZ in less than 6 months prior to the intended start date for this position will not be shortlisted due to organisational policy.

Disclaimer: As per GIZ's data confidentiality policy, candidate's application is stored in our database for six months and is deleted thereafter.