

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Reference #	069/06/2026/F&BAdv./OHA/Goa
Project	One Health and Agroecology
Position	State Coordinator - One Health (Internal designation: Forestry and Biodiversity Advisor)
Band	Band 4
Location	Saligao, Goa (placed at Goa State Biodiversity Board)
<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"> ➤ Describe 3 challenges regarding interdepartmental collaboration for prevention of and response to zoonotic disease outbreaks (type of zoonotic disease may be chosen by candidate), and present concrete approaches how to address these challenges. <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Suggest concrete, practical measures to raise awareness and induce behaviour change at local level for better protection against zoonotic diseases (type of zoonotic disease may be chosen by candidate). Discuss advantages and limitations of different options. <p>Last Date of Application: 30th June 2026</p>	

A. About GIZ India

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B. Project Background

One Health is an approach that recognizes that the health of people, animals and our shared environment is closely connected. Therefore, an integrated, multisectoral response to current challenges is needed.

The 'One Health and Agroecology' project aims to strengthen the inter-sectoral and inter-institutional cooperation in India in order to reduce risks to human, animal and environmental health. It supports the Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change (MoEFCC) to do so in collaboration with other relevant ministries and additional stakeholders. To demonstrate the effectiveness of the One Health approach on the ground, the project contributes to the implementation of pilot measures, which also take into account agroecological principles like input reduction and conservation of biodiversity, in the states of Goa and Madhya Pradesh. In addition, the project supports the strengthening of capacities on several levels in collaboration with Indian training institutions as well as the collection, documentation, and dissemination of best practices.

C. Responsibilities

- Implementing the **One Health Measure in Goa on Reducing the risk of KFD transmission, especially in foresters and communities living near forests, as well as for monkeys**, within the context of the One Health and Agroecology project, in close collaboration with state level authorities and other local stakeholders, and in accordance with project objectives and agreements with the superior.

- Conceptual development of project activities in his/her line of work in close collaboration with the project team, other (GIZ) projects who are active in the region and additional stakeholders.
- Preparing consultancy and grant contracts (incl. drafting of ToR and related administrative documents), coordinating with the administrative team for all necessary processes and supervising the contract implementation.
- Designing, organising, and documenting workshops, trainings, awareness activities, field visits, and other meetings, documenting best practices and lessons learned in appropriate formats for policy makers and others.

D. Core Scope of Tasks

Coordination tasks

- Prepares and conducts activities (in accordance with the agreed Operational Plan as well as the general project goals and indicators) in consultation with the project manager and in cooperation with the partners to ensure the successful implementation of the **One Health Measure in Goa on Reducing the risk of KFD transmission, especially in foresters and communities living near forests, as well as for monkeys**,
- Assists the project manager, team members and partners with general project planning, monitoring, and documentation.
- Develops Terms of Reference for consulting and grant contracts, and takes responsibility for technical management of these contracts.

Technical advisory

- The advisor strengthens partner capacities at State and local level (e.g., Village Panchayats and Biodiversity Management Committees) regarding One Health related topics and intersectoral collaboration.
- Supports project partners in developing strategies and technical concepts for the implementation of a One Health approach.
- Designs, prepares, conducts and documents workshops, trainings and other events related to the project.
- Compiles technical information related to One Health topics.
- Advises partners on research activities and studies which benefit the project.

Networking and cooperation

- Actively supports dialogue and cooperation with partners in Goa from multiple sectors (including Goa State Biodiversity Board, Department of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services and Directorate of Health Services), including local communities (e.g., Village Panchayats), and also with other projects, with the aim of successful project implementation,
- Actively cooperate with the Project Nodal Officer at Goa State Biodiversity Board and supports him in his project related tasks,
- Strengthens the capacities of project partners for inter-sectoral coordination and cooperation within the scope of a One Health approach.

Knowledge management

- Elaborates knowledge products of best practices and lessons learned, including guidelines, manuals and procedures, and also supports project partners to do so.
- Prepares recommendations to National One Health Mission (NOHM) and other One Health platforms based on project experiences.
- Prepares appropriate input for various project reports, including annual reports, and project presentations and contributes to other reports as required by GIZ and counterparts.
- Translates knowledge products, training material and other documents between English and Konkani.
- Assists with project related PR and communications.

Other duties/ additional tasks

- Performs other duties and tasks at the request of the project manager.

E. Required Qualifications, Experience and Competencies

- Master's degree in environmental sciences, social sciences, sustainable rural development, or a related discipline, from a reputed institution.
- 10-15 years relevant experience as technical expert or advisor in a field related to One Health, sustainable rural development, sustainable management of natural resources, or similar areas.
- 5-10 years demonstrable experience of strategic project planning and project implementation in a position with responsibility for the whole project or significant parts of it.
- 5-10 years of working experience in ministries/State government or in close collaboration with them, e.g., within the scope of project implementation including stakeholder management.
- Profound knowledge of the One Health approach and related topics, including zoonotic and vector-borne diseases, is required; previous professional experience in this field as advisor or scientist is an asset.
- Working experience in Western Ghats is required, specific experience in Goa, is an asset.
- Excellent inter-personal, communication and networking skills are expected.
- Ability to translate technical content into easily understandable messages for diverse audiences is expected.
- Ability to manage multi-stakeholder processes efficiently and successfully is expected.
- Excellent written and oral knowledge of English and Konkani is required.
- Proactive, self-organized and results-oriented.
- Given that the workplace will be within the premises of Goa State Biodiversity Board, adaptation to local conditions and working culture is expected.
- Knowledge of German language is an advantage.

F. Location: Saligao, Goa (placed at Goa State Biodiversity Board)

G. Duration of the contract: 31st March 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.