

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Reference #	074/06/2026/F&B Advisor/G-VAN/Dehradun
Project	Strengthening Gender-responsive Forest Ecosystems Management and Agroforestry (G-VAN)
Position	Forestry and Biodiversity Advisor
Band	Band 4
Location	Dehradun, Uttarakhand
<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"> ➤ What approach will you adopt to maintain a constructive partnership when a partner institution is consistently delaying the project implementation. <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ What factors limit the effective implementation of landscape approach for the management of forest and agroforestry ecosystems and how these challenges can be resolved? <p>Last Date of Application: 8th July 2026</p>	

A. About GIZ India

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

B. Project Background

The 'Strengthening gender-responsive management of forest ecosystems and agroforestry systems in India (G-VAN)' project is implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH in India on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) in partnership with the Indian Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) at the national level and the forest departments of Himachal Pradesh (HPFD), Uttarakhand (UKFD), Uttar Pradesh (UPFD) and Madhya Pradesh (MPFD) at the state level. The overall goal is to strengthen gender-responsive and climate-resilient management of forest and agroforestry ecosystems in selected states of India. The implementation approach of the project is defined as per the following project core areas and broader interventions:

- The institutional framework for gender-responsive forest and agroforestry management that promotes climate resilience has improved.
- Equitable planning processes and implementation of gender-responsive forest and agroforestry management that promotes climate resilience are supported.
- Gender-responsive or gender-transformative income-generating measures are implemented by forest and agroforestry ecosystem-dependent groups.

C. Responsibilities

- Exchange with the Uttarakhand Govt departments (Agriculture, Horticulture, Rural and Forest) for the coordination of Project related activities, exchange of ideas, learnings and capacity development.
- Engage with project partner in the state and relevant local-level governance institutions (e.g. Gram Panchayat/ FPO/SHGs) and private sector organisations to jointly support project activities.
- Engage and follow-up with the implementation partner and team in their tasks with jointly

agreed project activities and report progress on the ground as per pre-determined reporting protocols.

- Organise and facilitate workshops, stakeholder meetings and other events.
- Frequent travel within the state and the country.

D. Core Scope of Tasks

Management and Coordination

- Contributes and participates in preparing project operational plan and carries out other activities required for project implementation in the state.
- Technical advice to the state partners regarding the management of forest and agroforestry ecosystems and gender mainstreaming in the relevant activities
- Prepares terms of reference for various assignments, undertake technical review and quality assurance of deliverables from national and international service providers and project implementing partners.
- Prepare appropriate input for various project reports, including annual reports, and project presentations and contribute to reports and assist the supervisor regarding result-based monitoring.
- Coordinating with respective stakeholders for assessing the progress of the project as well as monitoring of project impact

Knowledge management, communication and networking

- Compile, evaluate and document good practices for the project implementation
- Document case studies, success stories, guidelines, lessons learned and other knowledge-products.
- Develops and maintains contact with all important stakeholders and donor agencies working in the state
- Planning, implementation and documentation of events
- Support the content development of digital knowledge exchange and decision support tools for the project in consultation with the state partner.

Coordination tasks

- Maintaining a good flow of communication and information within the Biodiversity Programme and Environment, Climate Change and Biodiversity Cluster of GIZ, Indian and German partners and other stakeholders.
- Coordinating with respective stakeholders to assess the progress of the project as well as monitoring of project's impact.

Administrative Tasks

- Organise and facilitate regular project meetings in the state.
- Document and disseminate minutes of the meetings and follow-up tasks with the project partners.
- Support the central team in planning and executing activities at the state level and related budget.
- Support in managing and collaborating with external consultants and experts.

Other duties/additional tasks, if any:

Perform other duties and tasks at the request of management

E. Required Qualifications, Experience and Competencies

- Post graduate degree in Agriculture / Forestry / Natural Resource Management / Environment Science or Rural Development or any related field.

- 5-10 years' experience in areas of consulting, project implementation, stakeholder management of diverse professional networks and/or international development.
- Hands-on experience in using PRA tools, experience of working with community and community-based institutions and good understanding of forest/agroforestry management issues in India
- Proven experience in development cooperation within an international organisation or as a consultant; experience in German development cooperation is an asset.
- Proven track record in working with State/National Governments, providing policy and technical support in the field of sustainable development or related areas.
- Experience in conceptualizing and organizing capacity development programs.
- Experience on gender mainstreaming/gender-transformative approaches in project activities will be an added advantage
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills to effectively engage with diverse stakeholders, including government officials, project partners, and consultants.
- Demonstrated ability to contribute to conceptual and strategic development, operational planning, and knowledge sharing within a project team.
- Willingness and ability to travel often to Delhi and to project sites in Uttarakhand and other project locations.
- Proficiency in written and spoken English and Hindi

F. **Location:** Dehradun, Uttarakhand

G. **Duration of the contract:** 31st July 2028

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.