

# **JOB DESCRIPTION**

**JOB TITLE: HEALTH AND NUTRITION SENIOR PROGRAMME MANAGER**

## **I. JOB SUMMARY:**

### **Function of the position:**

Good nutrition plays a fundamental role in ensuring good maternal and child health. Irish Aid is determined to increase its contribution to improving results in these interrelated areas. ; Irish Aid's Senior Programme Manager for Health and Nutrition is responsible to lead the implementation and development of Irish Aid Ethiopia's (IAE) strategic multi-sectoral response to maternal and child malnutrition.

The main areas of responsibility include:

- Manage and refine the programme portfolio in order to increase its contribution to improvements maternal and child health and nutrition both nationally and locally.
- Help determine and Advance Irish Aid's programme and policy objectives with and through relevant sector groups, including with the Ministry of Health at Federal level
- Actively manage the programme portfolio, ensuring that results and all financial and regulatory requirements are met by partners. This will include regular field visits.
- Ensure that management of all partnerships is undertaken in line with Irish Aid's systems and procedures. To achieve this, work closely with IA's Internal Auditor and PCM Manager to ensure that you are aware of all procedures and any changes in them; conveying any changes to partners in a timely and clear manner.
- Lead on the scoping and design of Irish Aid Ethiopia's programme for Health and Nutrition as part of our preparation for our Country Strategy (CSP), 2014-2017. Support the development of Irish Aid Ethiopia's 2018+ CSP from late 2017 onwards.
- Provide technical support to colleagues managing health and nutrition sensitive interventions (including the agriculture and livelihoods sector as well as Social Protection and Humanitarian)
- Based on the CSP and the Irish Aid Nutrition Strategy, Identify new nutrition specific interventions in line with emerging priorities and relevant evidence
- Identify opportunities across the existing programme for greater nutrition sensitive programming, including but not exclusively within maternal and child health, social protection and food security.
- Support the development of relevant research actions as appropriate to inform decision making to improve IAE's direct and policy impact regarding maternal and child health.
- Lead contributions to the annual planning and reporting processes for Health and Nutrition

- Prepare regular written reports as part of the organisational accountability requirements (e.g. quarterly and annual reporting, field visit reports etc)
- Be responsible for Irish Aid Ethiopia's cross-organisational response to HIV and AIDS

### **Reporting lines**

The Senior Programme Manager will report directly to the Deputy Head of Development tasked with leading on the Health and Nutrition Objective.

### **Management and Communication lines**

A programme Officer and Field Office Manager report to the Senior Programme Manager

The Senior Programme Manager also works closely with peer PM's in support of cross-cutting nutrition across the IAE portfolio.

### **Required Experience and Competencies**

- A strong understanding of the Health and Nutrition Sectors in Ethiopia
- A relevant professional qualification in a related field (e.g. Master's in Public Health, Nutrition, Development Studies)
- At least five years working at a managerial level within either health and nutrition sectors in Ethiopia or elsewhere
- Practical experience of project cycle management processes and systems
- Evidence of effective networking; including influencing policy and processes
- Strong verbal, written and presentation communication skills
- Demonstrated capacity to monitor results, as well as an understanding of funding flows and an ability to interpret and provide feedback on financial reporting data generated by large scale complex programmes and aid modalities with Government Partners

### **Terms and Conditions**

The Senior Health and Nutrition Programme Manager position will be appointed initially on a two-year fixed term contract.

Remuneration offered will be as per the Irish Aid Senior Programme Manager Scale which starts at: Euro 2,474.00 per month.

The remuneration package includes, provident fund scheme and insurance coverage on medical, group life and accidents.