**Terms of Reference (TOR)**

**“Project Officer-Livestock Technology & One Health (Consultant)”**

1. **Heifer Overview**

Heifer Project International Nepal (HPIN) is a non-profit organization working in Nepal since 1998 with the aim of ending hunger and poverty and caring for the earth through agriculture-based livelihood and market system development programs. Since 1997, it has supported more than 259,000 families and has transformed their livelihood with a major focus on livestock development programs. These families have been organized into 11,000 self-help groups, 227 Social Entrepreneur’s Women’s Cooperative and 3 District Unions.

Heifer has taken livestock particularly goat for meat, and cow and buffalo for milk purposes as prime commodities to intervene to bring people out of hunger and poverty. It has helped communities to raise their livestock through providing animals to the needy families as well as package of services to improve the production and productivity. Heifer Nepal is currently implementing Nepal Government Partnership (NGP) projects in a partnership with around 40 municipalities. To strengthen animal health, production, and productivity to beneficiary families of NGP projects, HPIN is seeking some short-term consultants to complete the assignment.

1. **Major Responsibilities**

The project officer-Livestock Technology & One Health (consultant) will be responsible for an effective delivery of animal health and production technologies, knowledge and skills to Heifer team, project partners, cooperatives, and beneficiaries. S/he will ensure that farmers understand and adopt improved technologies to maximize farm animal productivity for consistence and supply of quality animals. S/he will work in close collaboration and coordination with the Heifer Nepal Program team, local government, project partners, cooperatives, and Community Agro-Vet Entrepreneurs (CAVE).

1. Strengthen Animal Health and Production System and ensure adoption

* Provide technical support in construction of improved animal sheds and ensure its timely and quality completion.
* Provide technical guidance to project staffs in forage fodder nursery establishment and plantation.
* Support project team in selection, procurement, and placement of quality animals based on technical specifications mentioned in the guideline.
* Make sure deworming and vaccinations are carried out at right time and stage meeting quality standards.
* Document and disseminate best practices and promote cross learnings among municipalities.

1. Capacity Building of Project Staff and Local Resource Person

* Support Technical Coordinators in effective mobilization of CAVEs for ensuring accessibility and availability of treatment services at household level.
* Ensure CAVEs are adequately capacitated through regular follow up, backstopping and guidance.
* Conduct discussion meetings, workshops, trainings, Animal Health Camps etc. as and when required.

1. Coordination / Collaboration with Local Government and other Stakeholders

* Build strong collaboration with local government to create enabling environment for planning and execution of planned activities.
* Establish functional relationship with private sectors in production inputs/services (animal feed, vaccines, vet medicines, livestock insurance etc.), market actors/market centers and connect them with farmers and cooperatives.

1. **Duty Station and Duration**

Field based positions in and around Sindhuli district. Seven months consulting work with possibility of extension based on performance.

1. **Deliverables**

* Monthly progress report.
* Monthly and quarterly technical progress reports.

1. **Minimum Requirements**

* A Bachelor’s Degree or equivalent in Veterinary Science. Other job-related education and/or experience may be substituted for all or part of these basic requirements.
* Must have computer knowledge of Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, or similar software to visualize and present the findings.
* Motivated to work responsibly with little supervision - major tasks in field where independent expert decisions must be made.
* Ability to meet and deal with others in a courteous and tactful manner.

1. **Required Documents**

Eligible candidates are requested to submit application along with the following documents mentioning email subject line “Application for Project Officer – Livestock Technology & One Health (consultant)” through email to

[**procurement-np@heifer.org**](mailto:procurement-np@heifer.org)

* Letter of interest
* Updated CV
* Financial proposal indicating consultancy fee (rate per month)
* Nepal Veterinary Council registration certificate
* A copy of motorbike driving license