

Adventist Development Relief Agency VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT (Ref#2023-11/PRJ)

FILED ASSISTANT

ADRA Sri Lanka seeks qualified and experienced individuals for a **Local Economic and Social Strengthening** (**LESS IV**) **project** implemented in the Northern Province of Sri Lanka in collaboration with ADRA India. The project aims to accomplish the following outcomes, and its project locations are Mannar, Kilinochchi, and Vavuniya.

Project Outcomes

- 1. Strengthened social fabric and community cohesion.
- 2. Increased economic resilience, entrepreneurship, and innovation among community members and local economic growth and diversification.
- 3. Ensuring Sri Lankan Refugees in India make a well-informed migration decision.
- 4. Greater understanding and support from Indian and Sri Lankan Government officials in relation to the challenges faced by Sri Lankan Refugees in pursuing durable solutions.

Job Details

Job Location	Vavuniya, Vavuniya District	Position Type	Full Time
Education Level	GCE Advance Level/Diploma	Salary (Basic)	LKR.72,000/-
Travel Percentage	90% (Domestic)	Job Type	Assistant
Employment Type	Fixed Term Contract	Duration	7 months

Posting Closing Date Sunday 26th November 2023

PRE-REQUISITES

Required

- At least 2 years of NGO experience.
- Basic report writing skills (in ENGLISH).
- Experience in community work is essential.
- Capable with Microsoft Office Packages (Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint)
- Must exhibit sensitivity to and interest in other cultures and belief systems.
- Excellent stakeholder management skills.
- Proficiency in Tamil Language is a must.
- A valid driver's license and the ability to drive and ride a motorcycle.



Preferred

- Experience in implementing projects related to refugee reintegration, economic development, and irregular migration.
- Ability to organize training programs.

Female candidates are encouraged to apply.

Application with a recent CV marked with this vacancy announcement for the above-mentioned position and the completed application must reach ADRA Sri Lanka emailed to hr@adrasrilanka.org on or before Sunday, August 20, 2023. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for an interview within one week from the closing date.



General Philosophy

Identity Statement: ADRA Sri Lanka (ADRA SL) is a humanitarian organization working within an internal network of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church that demonstrates God's love and compassion.

Mission: ADRA SL works with people in poverty and distress to create just and positive change through empowering partnerships and responsible action, encouraging harmonious co-existence.

ADRA SL has been working in Sri Lanka since 1983 and was registered on June 20th 2002 as a Local Non-Governmental Organization (NGO). Through its work ADRA SL promotes the values of humility, understanding, assistance, teamwork, collaboration, transparency and accountability. ADRA SL aims to build a positive working environment through value-based management that incentivizes hard work, discipline and reliability.

General Job Criteria

The project named **Local Economic and Social Strengthening (LESS IV)** project aims to create an environment that promotes resilience, social cohesion, and adaptive capacity, and fosters sustainable development for vulnerable communities facing displacement and crisis". The project will run for 8 months, from November 2023 to June 2024.

The position requires the appropriate educational qualifications and solid experience working in diverse rural communities and a positive and pleasant attitude. Strong coordination with internal and external stakeholders will be a requirement and a competency in managing these relationships will be deemed as vital. Working with the project team under the supervision of the project coordinator ensuring the implementation of the project activities are carried out in the required standard is central



to this role. Respect for women, children, differently-abled and all who the project encounters is a standard requirement of ADRA SL.

Title Field Assistant

Educational Qualification GCE Advance Level

General Experience Requirements 2(two) years of experience working in the NGO sector.

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Computer skills requirements Proficiency in MS office package.

Language Requirements Fluency in written and spoken English. Skills in Tamil language is

compulsory.

Salary/Benefits LKR. 72,000/-

Location Vavuniya, Vavuniya District

Amount of Travel 90% Domestic travel

Reports to Project Coordinator

Staff supervision None.

General Job Criteria

- The overall direction and management of the project, including implementation of strategy and project requirements, goal setting, staff supervision and personnel management, target monitoring, and communication.
- Responsible for leading out and implementing Project compliance to all ADRA Sri Lanka policies and procedures.
- o To liaise with the Program Manager and Program Officer to ensure that the project targets are met and that regular M&E assessments are completed.
- o To write monthly Project Reports for the donors and to liaise with the Program Manager to ensure that the key status reports (e.g. EOP report) are accurately compiled and submitted on time.
- o To run the project in a manner that complies with ADRA's policies on equal opportunities, race relations, security and other key issues.
- o To liaise with the District level Government authorities, principally the GA and DS, for relevant approvals and collaborations specifically in line with the Project outcomes.



- To pass any severe issues which demand the involvement of higher Government authority, to the HQ office.
- o To liaise with other INGOs and NGOs operating in the local area and develop cooperative relationships with them if necessary.
- When required, provide information and updates to the Program Manager, Finance Director, and Country Director.
- To attend regularly PROCOM and whenever requested ADCOM meetings and ensure the continued development and progression of ADRA's strategic goals, through implementation of policies.
- To inform the Country Director, Finance Director and Programs Manager of any possible policy or project implementation changes for approval. Any comments/questions for donors are to be forwarded to HQ.
- o Conducts and reviews the authenticity/validity of quotations from the supplier.
- o Disbursement approval for all field-level payments.
- o Coordinates any external technical assistance visits (consultants / Donors).
- Any other tasks that may be assigned by the Country Director, Finance Director, or Program Manager occasionally.

PROFESSIONAL ATTRIBUTES:

- Personal Qualities: Demonstrates understanding the agency's purpose and values and advocates these through daily
 work.
- Results Focus: Achieves objectives by taking an organizational perspective and working with and through others to achieve results
- **Decision Making:** Constructively contributes to the agreed decision-making process.
- **Problem Solving:** Uses clear and innovative thinking to solve problems and takes decisions that appropriately addressed for risk and strategic alignment.
- Continuous Learning: Demonstrates a commitment to own professional development by actively participating in continuous learning.
- **Self-Awareness:** Is aware of own strengths and development needs and seeks to improve style, skills, and performance including cultural and gender sensitivities.
- Team Building: Is a cooperative and active team member, committed to working together towards goals.
- **Psychosocial Mindfulness:** Is mindful of stressors that may impact on work, and where appropriate, utilize available resources to manage these.
- Accountability: Is accountable for own actions and working practices, accepts responsibility and learns from mistakes.
- **Regular Meetings:** Participates in clear and regular communication with supervisor and team during one to one and team meetings.
- Adaptability: Adjusts approach and thinking to work effectively in a variety of situations and with different people.
- Sharing Knowledge: Shares organizational and professional knowledge with peers to enhance understanding.
- Accepting Direction and Feedback: Seeks and accepts clear direction and feedback from supervisor/s relating to work practices and outcomes in a positive and constructive manner.



PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES:

- Ability to work as a member of a team and autonomously.
- Flexibility, patience, tolerance for other perspectives and excellent interpersonal skills.
- Capacity to work under pressure.
- Commitment to gender equity, social justice, and community development.
- Understanding of and commitment to ADRA's development philosophy, values, principles, and objectives.
- Understanding of and commitment to adhere to equity, diversity, child safe and staff health and wellbeing.

Personal Commitment:

Being employed by the Adventist Development Relief Agency requires commitment to its mission and lifestyle. The holder of this position will uphold the Christian values upon which ADRA's core values have been built and will display strong commitment to the Core Humanitarian Standards.



