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| **Name:** |  | | | | | |
| **Job Title:** Seaweed |  | | | | | |
| **Division/Office:** FAO KSA | |  | | | | |
| **Duty Station:** UTF/SAU/051/SAU |  | | | | | |
| **Linkage to FAO’s Four Betters:** |  | | | | | |
| **Start Date of Assignment:** July 2025 | | |  | **Duration and**  **End Date:**  6 months | |  |
| **Report to, name of supervisor:** Pedro Guemes | | |  | **Title:** Technical Adviser (Fisheries and Aquaculture component) | |  |
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| General Description of task(s) and objectives to be achieved | | | | | | |
| |  | | --- | | **Background:**  The project “UTF/SAU/051/SAU Strengthening MoEWA’s Capacity to Implement the Sustainable Rural Agricultural Development Programme” is the first project that has been approved within the framework of FAO-Saudi Technical Cooperation Programme (2019-2025). The project provides technical and advisory assistance to the MoEWA in implementing its flagship sustainable rural agricultural development programme approved within the context of the National Transformation Programme of the Saudi Vision 2030. The project expected results will be achieved through implementation of nine project components: 1) Development of coffee Arabica production, processing and marketing; 2) Development of beekeeping and honey production; 3) Development of rose production and trade; 4) Development of sub-tropical fruits production, processing and marketing; 5) Strengthening capacity of small-scale fishermen and fish farmers; 6) Strengthening capacity of small-scale livestock herders; 7) Development of rain-fed cereals production; 8) Enhancing value addition from smallholdings and rural activities; and 9) Strengthening MoEWA’s capacity in sustainable management of rangelands, forests and natural resources to support rural livelihoods. |   **Duties and Responsibilities:**  The Seaweed Expert will report to the FAO Program Coordinator and the Chief Technical Adviser (CTA) in KSA in consultation with the Technical Adviser and in close collaboration with the Fisheries National Project Officer. The Seaweed Expert will contribute to the accomplishment of outputs of the project component on “Strengthening capacity of small-scale fishers and aquaculture producers”. More specific, the expert will carry out the following tasks:   * Engage potential Saudis small-scale producers in seaweed aquaculture production. * Facilitate and coordinate all the administrative activities, regulations and permits necessary to implement projects * Implement technical support activities specially those related to the establishment of a small-scale seaweed aquaculture production in Mekka region in collaboration with Naqua and Rotana and in other potential locations of KSA. * Implement technical activities specially those related to the establishment of small-scale seaweed processors groups. Support and facilitate the proper processing but also the trading and even exporting of the products obtained from seaweed. * Explore the possibilities and support the development if the case of other species of seaweeds and algae in general * Support the organisation and actively participate in workshops, meetings and conferences related to the FAO activities. | | | | | | |
| key performance indicators | | | | | | |
| **Expected Outputs**: | | | | | Required Completion Date: | |
| At least 20 Saudis will be engaged in FAO activities. MEWA and other institutions will be aware and engage in the project with all the necessary permits obtained.  Small scale seaweed productions in full operation in Mekka region. Seaweed production activities developed in additional locations.  Small-scale seaweed processors groups in full operation in Mekka region. Trading and even exporting of the products obtained from seaweed in Implementation  New seaweed or algae species in development process  At least 3 workshops or meetings carried out | | | | | 4 weeks from commencement of the assignment  6 weeks from commencement of the assignment  At the end of the assignment  At the end of the assignment  8 weeks from commencement of the assignment | |
| **REQUIRED COMPETENCIES** | | | | | | |
| **Minimum requirements:**   * Candidates must be enrolled in an under-graduate or post-graduate degree programme in a bona fide educational institution in development, fisheries, natural resource management, or other closely related fields at the time of application, or recent graduates of such an institution. * Working knowledge (proficiency - level C) of English and would be an asset intermediate knowledge (intermediate proficiency - level B) of another official FAO language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish). * Relevant experience in project planning, management and implementation and in algae aquaculture producing sector, including with regard to, for example, policy, governance and management, stakeholder engagement and participation, and organizational and capacity development is considered an asset. | | | | | | |
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