

April 29, 2025

EDUCATIONAL TRAINING “DOCTORS OF THE SOIL” IN L. MURODOV’S LLC

On April 28 this year, in the framework of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector” project with the support of the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” together with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations in the Republic of Tajikistan a training session “Doctors of Soil” was held with participation of specialists in soil science.

The training was held in the hall of Latif Murodov’s CJSC in Hisor, where the scientists and specialists in the field of soil science discussed current problems of the sector.

Presentations on these issues in a series of presentations (profile) covered a wide range of topics important for implementation of training strategies and integrated soil conservation.

The training will last two days (28th and 29th), and according to the plan, scientists in the field will use modern equipment to determine various elements in the soil and the actual condition of its composition, and then present the results to the participants.

The purpose of such educational trainings is to promptly train specialists of the industry to solve existing problems, use modern technologies in the current activities of the industry, and further increase crop yields.

The event is designed for specialists in soil science and agriculture, so that they can further improve their knowledge and skills using modern technologies and apply the achievements of science in practice in future.



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Support to the seed farms within the project “Strengthening resilience of the Agriculture sector”

Specialists of the State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” familiarized themselves with the actual situation of the “Yakkatut” seed farm in the J. Rasulov district, which is the project beneficiary.

This farm has 100 hectares of arable land on its balance sheet and uses it consistently and effectively.

As part of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector” project, the institution has been supporting the seed-growing farms with mineral fertilizers, high-quality elite seeds, agricultural machinery and equipment, among other farms, since 2023.

By using high-quality seeds and following agronomic practices, this farm has gradually been able to increase the planted area, yields and along with irrigation and timely payment of wages, using the farm’s net income to build three modern houses for its employees, especially women.

The farm manager has decided to build and provide a modern warehouse to store agricultural products and seeds after this year's harvest.

The employees are pleased with the continued support of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and are determined to contribute to increasing the supply of high-quality seeds to the country and the development of the seed industry.



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**Specific Procurement Notice
Request for Quotation
Non-Consulting Service**

Country: Republic of Tajikistan

Name of Project: Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project

Contract Title: Design and decorative works of SE "Center for Digitalization, Innovation and Advanced Training of Agricultural Personnel" in Dushanbe

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: IDA Grant # D8600-TJ

RFQ Reference No.: SRASP/NC/RFQ/01

1. The Republic of Tajikistan has received Grant from the International Development Association for the implementation of the Project “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector” and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Design and decorative works of SE “Center for Digitalization, Innovation and Advanced Training of Agricultural Personnel”.
2. The State Institute “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” Project Management Unit (AED PMU) now invites eligible Service Providers for “Design and decorative works of SE “Center for Digitalization, Innovation and Advanced Training of Agricultural Personnel”.
3. Bidding will be conducted through competitive procurement using a Request for Quotation (RFQ) as specified in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016 revised September 2023 (“Procurement Regulations”) and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
4. Interested Service Providers may obtain further information from the State Institute “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” Project Management Unit (AED PMU) and inspect the bidding document during office hours from 8:00 to 17:00 at E-mail: procurement.srasp@gmail.com as well as at the address given below.
5. All interested Service Providers can obtain a full package of Request for Quotations in Russian by submitting an official letter to the address below. The documents can be obtained from the office of AED PMU located at the address below or through the email procurement.srasp@gmail.com.
6. Quotations must be delivered to the address below on or before April 30, 2025 17:00. Electronic Bidding will not be accepted for this RFQ. Late Bids will be rejected.
7. The address(es) referred to above are:

For the purpose of receipt and submission of quotations:

To: Satori D.A. – PMU Director

Address: Bokhtar 17 street

Office / Floor: 12th Floor

City: Dushanbe

Country: Tajikistan

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Holding public awareness meetings in the Sughd region

On April 23, 2025, the social and environmental issues specialists from the state institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development” together with the public organization “Umedbakhsh” held awareness-raising meetings as planned in the Istaravshan and Konibodom districts of Sughd region within the framework of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture sector” project.

During the meeting, the project beneficiaries were actively involved and got acquainted with the effective activities of the “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture sector” project.

During this event, the sector officials noted that today, with the initiatives and continuous efforts of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, especially the Founder of Peace and National Unity, the Leader of the Nation, President Emomali Rahmon, various sectors of the country, particularly agriculture, are developing day by day and achieving significant results. Nowadays, each of us, the citizens of the country, primarily appreciate independence, prosperity and national unity and should strive for the further development and progress of our beloved country.

Subsequently, various pressing issues in the agricultural

sector were raised during the event, and measures were taken to support farmers in the future.

At the end of the event, the project beneficiaries expressed their profound gratitude to the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan, especially to the esteemed Leader of the Nation, and the state institution " Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development," for their constant support.

After the event, the commission team reviewed the current status of the information boards, the boxes for complaints and requests directly intended for the project beneficiaries in the country.

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ROUND TABLE ON THE TOPIC “CREATION OF A NATIONAL PREMIX TURNOVER FUND IN TAJIKISTAN”

Nutrition, being the most important factor in human health, well-being and vital activity, inextricably linking human life with food, is necessary for body development, formation of cells and tissues, body provision with the necessary substances, formation of hormones, enzymes and other metabolic processes.

In order to protect public health and prevent foodborne diseases by fortifying food products, the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan adopted the Law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Providing the Population with Fortified Food Products” in 2019. In order to implement this law, today, April 22, a round table was held at the Ministry of Health and Social population of the Republic of Tajikistan on the topic of “Creation of the National Fund for the Circulation of Premixes in Tajikistan”, at which the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Protection of the Population Abdukholik Amirzoda had a speech, representatives of the country’s relevant ministries and departments, a number of heads of food industry enterprises (flour and salt), as well as representatives of development partners in collaboration with the World Bank Group, the United Nations Children’s Fund, and the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) project manager participated.

During the round table opening, the Deputy Minister of Health and Social Protection of the Population Abdukholik Amirzoda stated that improving the nutrition is important for strengthening the population health.

It should be noted that issues of arranging the public nutrition are considered ones of the main strategic areas of

the country Government activity, and adoption of 2 laws, 2 strategies, 4 programs and 1 national plan in recent years is evidence of this issue importance.

Then the Director of the State Institution “Development of Entrepreneurship in Agriculture” Mr. Daler Satori spoke about the project “Strengthening the Sustainability of Agriculture” and the activities of “Creation of the National Fund for the Circulation of Premixes in Tajikistan”, the issue was addressed by Hazem Ibrahim Hanbal, a Senior Agricultural Economist for the World Bank Group in Tajikistan, and other officials.

The round table also discussed a number of issues, including the provision of information on the topics “Creation of the National Fund for the Circulation of Premixes in Tajikistan”, “Achievements in the implementation of the Program for prevention of micronutrient deficiency among the population of the Republic of Tajikistan for 2022-2027”, “Problems related to food fortification in the Republic of Tajikistan”, “Status of the regulatory framework for food fortification (Tajikstandard)”, “Assessment of a potential host agency for NRFP” and “Discussion of the assessment and design of the Fund results with the private sector”.

It is worth noting that the Republic of Tajikistan joined the Global Movement for Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) in 2013, becoming the 42nd country. Since 2015, the country has had an intersectoral coordination Council on Nutrition, which includes representatives of all ministries and departments, development partners, non-governmental organizations and civil society, which develops strategies and programs to improve nutrition, including the following: “Strategy for Development of School Nutrition in the Republic of Tajikistan for the Period up to 2027”, “Multi-sectoral Plan for Improving Nutrition in the Republic of Tajikistan for 2021-2025”, “National Communication Program for the First 1000 Days of a Child’s Life in the Republic of Tajikistan for 2020-2024”.

During the round table, a number of participants expressed their thoughts and ideas on various aspects of the project.



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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Republic of Tajikistan

State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development"
Project Management Unit (SI AED PMU)

Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project
(SRASP)

IDA (International Development Association) Grant No: E1450

Title of the consulting assignment: **Information Systems and Automation Expert.**

Reference Number: SRASP-2024-03-CS-INDV

The project aims to support the Government of Tajikistan (GoT) in successfully transitioning to a sustainable, more productive, climate resilient, and inclusive model of agricultural sector growth.

The proposed project will help to:

1. increase the availability of improved seeds, seedlings, and planting materials that are climate resilient, affordable, farmer-preferred, and well adapted to the different agro-ecological conditions of Tajikistan;
2. strengthen the access to improved Agri-logistic services of farmers and agri-businesses; and
3. strengthen the crisis management, i.e. early warning, preparedness, and response capacity of selected public institutions.

1. Objectives

The Information Systems and Digitalization Expert plays a key role in developing the Information System for the agricultural sector, ensuring that the system meets the requirements of the customer, stakeholders, and end users. The main tasks of the Information Systems and Automation Expert include the formation and management of the product vision, the creation and prioritization of tasks, working with stakeholders and

stakeholders performers, determining acceptance criteria, collecting and analyzing feedback, as well as monitoring the progress of development. Together with the Customer, the Information Systems and Automation Expert determines the goals of the system, manages the list of requirements, organizing it by priority depending on its importance and value for the Customer. He interacts with key stakeholders, involved consulting and technical implementers, and end users to agree on changes and clarify requirements, constantly checking whether the information system being developed meets their expectations and goals. The Information Systems and Automation Expert also sets quality and acceptance criteria to ensure that tasks are completed at the proper level, analyzes feedback to make improvements, and participates in regular meetings with the team, monitoring the progress of development and adjusting the course if necessary.

The Information Systems and Automation Expert will report directly to and work under the supervision of the Deputy Director/Project Coordinator of the SRASP, the Director of the SI AED PMU and the Component 3 Coordinator.

1. Scope of services for the Expert

Under the direction of the SRASP Project Coordinator of the SRASP, and the Component 3 Coordinator the Expert will implement the following tasks:

1.1. Develop and manage the concept note for the AMIS

Based on existing materials, including the documents prepared by the FAO consultant, the Expert must categorize the strategic objectives of the Client and key stakeholders, define the needs of the end users and develop a strategic concept document for the AMIS. The Expert is responsible for conveying this document to the development team, including consulting and technical staff, clarifying what is to be achieved by the system. This includes defining the objectives, user values and long-term prospects of the system.

1.2. Creating and prioritizing a list of key tasks and requirements

The Expert must develop a list of key tasks and requirements for the AMIS. This list includes key tasks, requirements, and functional elements that are critical to achieving the AMIS strategic objectives. The expert should prioritize the items based on their importance, cost, and expected benefit to the Customer.

1.3. Stakeholder Engagement

The Expert is tasked with actively engaging stakeholders to gather their requirements, expectations, and feedback. This involves participating in regular meetings and presentations to discuss the goals and plans for improving the information system. The Expert must ensure that all proposed changes are coordinated with stakeholders and their opinions are considered, all while maintaining alignment with the core vision and objectives of the project.

1.4. Definition of acceptance and quality criteria

The Expert is tasked with defining clear, measurable acceptance criteria for the tasks and functions of the AMIS, ensuring they align with organizational requirements and standards. This involves analyzing system requirements, collaborating with stakeholders to confirm priorities, drafting criteria using the SMART framework, and validating them through stakeholder review. The Expert must document the finalized criteria, ensuring they are clear and actionable, and provide guidance to development and testing teams for effective implementation. The completed criteria must be approved by stakeholders and ready for integration within the project timeline.

1.5. Feedback and Iterative Improvement

The Expert must constantly analyze feedback from users, stakeholders and the team in order to improve the software product. Based on this information, he can change priorities in the task list, clarify requirements or add new features,

which allows the product to be more adapted to changing conditions and needs.

1.6. Monitoring progress and coordination

The Expert is responsible for monitoring the progress of development and making timely adjustments as needed. They must manage the scheduling of meetings with stakeholders and performers to stay informed about current tasks and adjust the project's course if necessary.

1.7. Trainings and training materials coordination

The Expert is required to work closely with the development team to prepare training materials for the staff of the Digitalization Center at the Ministry of Agriculture and other relevant partners and stakeholders. The Expert will supervise and accompany the delivery of training sessions, ensuring they are conducted in accordance with the project's design, strategy, and goals. Additionally, the Expert will monitor the training plans to ensure that the outcomes align with the agreed-upon objectives and contribute to the overall success of the project.

2. Qualifications and work experience:

1. Education: The Expert should have a university degree in computer science, mathematics, or a related field. A diploma or certificate in digitalization or agricultural management is an advantage.

2. Work experience: He/She should have at least 3 years of proven experience in the field of Information Technology implementation and automation of business processes, and software development. Experience in IT project management and additional experience in agricultural projects is an advantage.

3. Required skills:

1. Communication: An Information Systems and Automation Expert needs to communicate effectively with the team, key stakeholders, consulting and technical performers in order to

communicate the requirements, expectations and vision of the AMIS software product.

2. Analytical Thinking: An Information Systems and Automation Expert must be able to analyze data, draw informed conclusions, and make decisions that lead to the successful achievement of product goals.

3. Flexibility: An Information Systems and Automation Expert must be able to respond quickly to changes and adapt to new conditions to ensure that the project to remain relevant and useful.

4. Understanding of Technical Aspects: An Information Systems and Automation Expert should be an expert in the development phases of Information Systems and possess a basic knowledge of programming and technical processes and constraints to better understand the capabilities of the technical team.

5. Knowledge of languages: A digital expert must be fluent in Tajik, Russian and English. Documents should be prepared in English and Tajik (and, if necessary, in Russian).

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following link:

https://aedpmu.tj/en/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/tor_for_information_system_latest.pdf.

The consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016; revised in September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest."

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours i.e. 08:00 to 17:00 local time.

Expressions of interest including CV, and all documents confirming the necessary qualifications (copies of diploma, certificates, work book, letters of recommendation) must be submitted to the e-mail address below on or before 17:00 hours local time on **May 05, 2025**. Questions (or requests for clarifications) can be sent to the below email address on or

before **April 30, 2025**.

Procurement Department of

**State Institute “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development”
Project Management Unit (SI AED PMU).**

E-mail: aedpmu.hr@gmail.com

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INVITATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPETITION

State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development”
(SI AED)

Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project
(SRASP)

RECRUITMENT: Translator – 1 position

BACKGROUND

The Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project is an IDA grant in the amount of US\$ 58 million prepared to support Tajikistan for the purpose of foundations for a more resilient agriculture sector refer to the availability of public agricultural services, including improved seeds, seedlings, and planting materials; agri-logistical services; agro meteorological information, soil testing, locust control and crop protection.

The project is implemented by the State Institution Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development Project Management Unit (SI AED PMU).

PROJECT OBJECTIVE

The development objective of the proposed project is to strengthen the foundations for a more resilient agricultural sector in Tajikistan.

State Institution “Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development”

(SI AED) now invites qualified specialists with relevant work experience to participate in the competitive selection for the vacant position of the **Translator**.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

Translator will have overall responsibility for a qualified and timely written translation of all incoming and outgoing documentation of the AED PMU. S/He also is responsible for all verbal translations for the AED PMU staff. The Consultant in his/her activities should follow the Project Operation Manual (POM) of AED PMU, Charter of AED PMU, acting legislation of the Republic of Tajikistan and orders of the SE "AED PMU" Director. Translator will be responsible for the following tasks:

- Qualified and timely written translation of all incoming and outgoing documentation of the AED PMU (letters, reports, surveys, expressions of interests, visual informational materials, handouts etc.);
- Verbal interpretation for the AED PMU staff as well as at various meetings, negotiations, trainings, field trips;
- Any other tasks as ordered by the SRAS Project Coordinator and AED PMU Director.

Languages

The Translator shall work in the Tajik, Russian and English languages. Documents shall be prepared in the Tajik/Russian or English Language.

Qualification requirements

- University degree in the field of foreign languages or international relations;
- At least four years of proven work experience as interpreter/translator in international organizations and donor funded projects
- Work experience with the World Bank projects is an

advantage;

- Ability and willingness to travel to remote areas is essential.
- Computer skills (MS office, MS Word, MS Excel, Power point, Internet E-mail etc.) is required;
- Fluency in written and spoken English, Tajik and Russian.

Applicants must submit the following documents:

- A copy of the passport, diploma, work book, and other documents confirming the necessary qualifications;
- A copy of the certificate and recommendations, if any.

The deadline for submitting documents is April 14, 2025.

- ***Documents must be submitted in paper form and by e-mail to the following address:***

Republic of Tajikistan,

Bokhtar 17 street, 12 floor

Office of the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" (SI AED). Only full packages will be considered.

Applicants for the position of the Translator will be selected in accordance with the procedures specified in Section VI, paragraphs, 7.36 and 7.37 of "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016, revised in September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations").

Contact phone: + Tel / fax: (44) 6100013; (44) 6100014;

e-mail: aedpmu.hr@gmail.com; website: www.pmutacp.tj

Only selected candidates will be invited to interview and (if an interview is planned) assessed.

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State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development"

Project Management Unit (SI AED PMU)

**Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project
(SRASP)**

IDA (International Development Association) Grant No: E145-TJ

Title of the consulting assignment: for consultant to conduct a comprehensive study of the condition of subdivisions of MART, TAU, TAAS to identify the presence of hazardous chemicals, including pesticides, expired reagents or other chemicals recognized as hazardous.

Reference Number: **SRASP-CS-INDV-2025-01**

The project aims to support the GoT in successfully transitioning to a sustainable, more productive, climate resilient, and inclusive model of agricultural sector growth.

The purpose of this request

The main purpose of this assignment is to conduct a study aimed at assessing the subdivisions of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan, the Tajik Agrarian University named after Shirinshokh Shotemur and the Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences to identify the presence and volume of hazardous chemicals, including pesticides, expired reagents or other chemicals recognized as hazardous in their warehouses and laboratories. In order to achieve the intention, the following activities need to be implemented:

▪ Identification and assessment of potentially hazardous waste storage facilities

The first stage involves identifying facilities and chemical storage locations that require detailed investigation.

It is necessary to collect and analyze data on places of storage of chemicals and other hazardous substances in all

subdivisions of the Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Tajikistan, Tajik Agrarian University named after Shirinshokh Shotemur and Tajik Academy of Agricultural Sciences to study the reporting documentation. On the basis of the obtained data, form a list of objects that may require further detailed inspection.

- **Assessment of the storage status of identified hazardous wastes**

Once the target facilities have been identified, an inspection should be conducted to establish the current storage status of hazardous waste and expired reagents. The conditions of their storage, the degree of their potential risk, and the compliance of these conditions with regulatory requirements are analyzed.

- **Analise of existing infrastructure and identification of infrastructure changes needs**

To study the technical condition of facilities and equipment designed for storage, processing and utilization of hazardous waste. Analyze their compliance with modern safety standards, and identify needs for repair, modernization or construction of new facilities

- **Evaluation of the effectiveness of previously conducted activities**

To analyze the previously performed works aimed at accounting, storage, neutralization and disposal of hazardous waste and expired reagents. Examine reports, results of previous inspections and activities, and assess their compliance with the regulatory framework

- **Development of recommendations and reporting**

Formulate recommendations as well as a preliminary **financial plan** to improve conditions of storage, handling and utilization of hazardous waste. Develop proposals for the

introduction of modern technologies to minimize environmental and other risks. Prepare an analytical report including the results of all stages of the study, conclusions and reasonable proposals.

Qualification requirements

- Minimum of 5 years of experience related to hazardous waste identification, neutralization and disposal.
- Practical experience of 3 years in implementation of environmental safety and waste management projects
- Participation in projects of similar focus and scope, including studies, recommendations and activities to improve waste management infrastructure.
- Experience in developing analytical and reporting documentation, including conclusions, proposals and recommendations.
- Skill to use modern methods of data analysis in accordance with international standards.
- Ability to organize field surveys, collect data promptly and interact with representatives of the objects under study.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following link):

https://aedpmu.tj/en/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/tor_ind.-cons.-for-assesment.pdf

The consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016; revised in September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest."

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours i.e. 08:00 to 17:00 local time.

Interested candidates shall submit their Expressions of

interest along with the CV as well as a copy(s):

- diploma/certificates confirming education/training;
- work book/references/other document confirming work experience,

to the e-mail address below on or before **17:00 hours local time on April 14, 2025**. Questions (or requests for clarifications) can be sent to the below email address **on or before April 10, 2025**.

State Institute "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development"
Project Management Unit (SI AED PMU).

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