#### PUBLIC HEARINGS IN THE KUHISTONI MASTCHOH DISTRICT

As part of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project", the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" has established a mechanism for reviewing suggestions and proposals at the local, regional and national levels to ensure transparency in project activities and relations with beneficiaries.

As planned, under the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project", the institution specialists, together with the public organization "Umedbakhsh," held public hearings among the Kuhistoni Mastchoh district residents.

The project beneficiaries in the region actively participated in the hearings and learned about the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" transparency and effectiveness.

The event addressed the issues including farmers' access to high-quality certified seeds across the country towns and districts, drilling wells to irrigate unused land, renovating buildings of scientific and educational institutions, providing attachments for agricultural machinery, and other pressing challenges in the sector.

At the end of the hearings, the project beneficiaries expressed their gratitude to the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" for their ongoing support of farmers.

Following the hearings, the commission inspected the current status of information boards and boxes for suggestions and proposals intended specifically for the project beneficiaries across the country.

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#### FIELD TRIALS FOR COTTON IN THE SUGHD REGION ARE ONGOING

This year, under favorable weather conditions, farmers in the Sughd region (project beneficiaries) followed agrotechnical practices and efficiently utilized agricultural land, leading to strong crop growth and increased yields.

Specialists from the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development", as part of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project", are conducting regional field trials for cotton and determining its expected

biological yield in compliance with the Republic of Tajikistan Ministry of Agriculture directive.

During the trials, the institution regional specialists, together with representatives from the Ministry of Agriculture and farm managers, assess the biological yield of the crop and take measures to implement a long-term plan.

The high-quality seeds provided by the institution to project beneficiaries this year offer many advantages over local ones and give higher yields.

The trials demonstrate that cotton growth and yield are significantly better than last year, and farmers can further increase yields by adhering to agrotechnical practices before harvesting.

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# PROGRESS OF CONSTRUCTING A MODERN YEAR-ROUND GREENHOUSE IN THE SHUGNAN DISTRICT PORSHINEV VILLAGE, GORNO-BADAKHSHAN AUTONOMOUS REGION

As part of his working visit to the Gorno-Badakhshan Autonomous Region, the Founder of Peace and National Unity, Leader of the Nation, President of the country, esteemed Emomali Rahmon, was presented a project for a modern year-round greenhouse by the head of the State Institution "Agricultural Entrepreneurship Development". The greenhouse, spanning over one hectare, is being constructed as a demonstration site for agricultural crops and is equipped with all necessary auxiliary facilities.

The objective of this experiment is to select and adapt crops to the local climate, introduce modern methods, ensure rational land use, and provide as many people as possible with domestically produced food year-round; in general, taking measures to ensure food security.

The designated area for vegetable cultivation in the modern

greenhouse is 0.32 hectares, the harvest will be supplied to regional markets throughout the year.

In line with the Leader of the Nation, esteemed Emomali Rahmon directives, the Institution specialists and engineers, under the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project", continue work on land leveling, perimeter fencing, greenhouse foundation reinforcement and other construction activities with great enthusiasm.

The specialists are working diligently to build and commission the facility on time, by schedule, ensuring high-quality construction and a modern design.

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# PROGRESS OF COTTON TESTING IN KHATLON REGION

Within the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" framework in order to implement the Republic of Tajikistan Ministry of Agriculture order, specialists from the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" together with experts from the Ministry of Agriculture, the Committee for Food Security and heads of farms are testing cotton across the Khatlon region.

During the testing process, the team determines the expected cotton yield and takes measures to implement the long-term plan.

The high-quality seeds, provided by the Institution to farmers (beneficiaries) this year under the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" as well, have many advantages over local ones and demonstrate very high yields.

By using high-quality seeds, the country farmers (beneficiaries) were convinced that quality seeds, while ensuring high yields, also allow for a significant increase in

crop productivity when proper agricultural practices are followed.

Currently, sector specialists are actively continuing the cotton testing across the Khatlon region and are determining the expected yield.

Analysis of testing work shows that cotton yields have increased compared to last year, and germination is very good as well.

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# IMPROVING ACCESS TO WATER RESOURCES WITHIN THE "STRENGTHENING RESILIENCE OF THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR PROJECT" FRAMEWORK

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One of the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan goals is to ensure food security for the country population, and together with scientists in this field, the Government constantly takes the necessary measures to involve unused lands into agricultural circulation, improve the melioration condition of lands and increase the yield of agricultural crops.

This year, within the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project" framework, the State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" planned to drill a well to irrigate the demonstration and experimental plots of the Tajikistan Academy of Agricultural Sciences National Center for Genetic Resources.

The Institution engineers and specialists managed to promptly put the well with a calculated depth of 100 meters, also equipped with additional equipment (transformers, cables,

pumping equipment, etc.) into operation.

The commission highly appreciated the work of sector specialists in putting the well into operation and gave useful recommendations to the Tajikistan Academy of Agricultural Sciences National Center for Genetic Resources staff on its effective use.

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PROVIDING VULNERABLE FARMS IN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS OF REPUBLICAN SUBORDINATION WITH ATTACHED EQUIPMENT FOR AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY

Specialists from the "Agriculture Entrepreneurship

Development" State Institution were able to promptly provide vulnerable farms in Khatlon region towns and districts with attachments for agricultural machinery, as well as conduct training on their proper operation.

Currently, within the framework of the "Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project", the Institution specialists provide vulnerable farms in towns and districts of republican subordination (project beneficiaries) with attachments to agricultural machinery for re-sowing the crops using new and modern attachments.

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Country: Republic of Tajikistan

Project: One Health for Pandemic Prevention Food Systems

Resilience and Ecosystem Health in Central Asia

Grant No.: E452-TJ

Assignment Title: Financial Management Specialist

Reference No.: OHP/CS/INDV-2025/09

- 1. The Republic of Tajikistan has received financing from the International Development Association and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development toward the cost of the One Health for Pandemic Prevention Food Systems Resilience and Ecosystem Health in Central Asia and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
- 2. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: <a href="https://aedpmu.tj/en/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/9.-terms">https://aedpmu.tj/en/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/9.-terms</a> <a href="https://aedpmu.tj/en/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/9.-terms">-of-reference-for-finance-management-specilist\_final.pdf</a>
- 3. Qualification requirements for candidates are as follow:
- i. Higher education in finance, economics, or a similarly relevant discipline.
- ii. At least 3 years of relevant experience in accounting/financial management following the international standards and requirements of World Bankfunded projects.
- iii. Proven knowledge and experience with the 1-C Enterprise Accounting Software.
  - iv. Knowledge of accounting and financial procedures, including practical knowledge of IFRS, Tajik Accounting and Tax regulations.
    - v. Computer literacy, in particular, knowledge of Microsoft Excel and relevant accounting software.
  - vi. Ability to work in teams and communicate well with others.
- vii. Excellent knowledge of Tajik and Russian, and knowledge

of English is an advantage.

The State Institution "Agriculture Entrepreneurship Development" Project Management Unit now invites eligible specialists to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested specialists must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services.

- 4. The attention of interested candidates is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" (July 2016, revised in February 2025) Procurement in Investment Project Financing Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- 5. The selection will follow Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants in accordance with Section VI, paragraphs, 7.36 and 7.37 of Procurement Regulations.
- 6. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter (maximum two pages) and a detailed CV (maximum five pages) clearly outlining how they meet the required qualifications. The CV and cover letter must be submitted either by email to procurement.ohp@gmail.com, with "Financial Management Specialist" in the subject line, or delivered in person to the address provided below.
- 7. Additional information can be obtained at the address below during working hours, from 08:00 to 17:00.
- 8. The deadline for submission of resume and cover letter is August 6, 2025, by 17:00. Only complete applications will be considered.

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## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Country: Republic of Tajikistan

Project: One Health for Pandemic Prevention Food Systems

Resilience and Ecosystem Health in Central Asia

Grant No.: E452-TJ

Assignment Title: Disbursement Specialist

Reference No.: OHP/CS/INDV-2025/10

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- 3. Qualification requirements for candidates are as follow:
- i. University degree in Finance, Accounting, Economics, or a related field.
- ii. Minimum 5 years of relevant experience in accounting, disbursement, preferably with donor-funded projects.
- iii. Knowledge of WB disbursement procedures is essential.
  - iv. Proficiency in MS Excel, financial software, and 1C.
    - v. Good communication skills.
  - vi. Knowledge of English and Russian writing skills

(required for reports and donor correspondence).

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