

REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN

**STRENGTHENING RESILIENCE OF THE AGRICULTURE SECTOR
PROJECT**

Terms of reference and scope of work for the national consultant to develop legal documents for amending and supplementing the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm”

I. BACKGROUND

The “Strengthening Resilience of the Agriculture Sector Project” is an IDA grant (funding of US\$108 million) developed to support Tajikistan in laying the foundations for a more resilient agricultural sector, supporting the review and development of policy and legislative measures, including assessing the existing legislation, identifying gaps in policies and legislation and problems of their implementation, developing new regulations, regulatory framework and legislation, including their adaptation to regional and international standards; providing technical assistance to the Ministry of Agriculture in developing the legislation and policies, as well as development strategies and programs.

Improved policy and regulatory frameworks in dehkan (farmer) farm by:

- (i) develop legal documents for amending and supplementing the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm”;
- (ii) current situation and norm analysis in the legislation on dehkan (farmer) farm in order to identify gaps in policies and legislation and to facilitate the integration of food security-related aspects, consultations with relevant stakeholders and capacity building activities;
- (iii) review of institutional and implementation mechanisms related to dehkan (farmer) farm in order to eliminate fragmentation and improve coordination, including consultations with relevant stakeholders and capacity building activities.

II. OBJECTIVE OF THE ASSIGNMENT

The main objective of this assignment is to support the Ministry of Agriculture in preparing the necessary legal documents for amending and supplementing the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm”.

III. SCOPE OF WORKS

The main responsibility of the Consultant will be to provide legal and analytical support for amending and supplementing the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm”. This will include conducting a comprehensive legal and analytical review of the agricultural sector and drafting the proposed amendments and additions to the existing law.

This includes, but is not limited to, the following tasks:

- (a)** Preparing a justification note for amending and supplementing the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm”;
- (b)** Preparing the draft amendment to the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm”;

(c) Coordinating the draft amendment to the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm” with relevant ministries and agencies, including obtaining official feedback and opinions;

(d) Preparing the finalized version of the amendment for endorsement and signature by the heads of the relevant ministries and agencies;

(e) Conducting a legal review of existing legislation in the agricultural sector, particularly related to dehkan (farmer) farms; identifying gaps or inconsistencies; and drafting, coordinating, and submitting relevant amendments or supplementary regulatory legal acts, as necessary.

(f) Submission of a final narrative report, including all developed materials, source documents, and related content.

IV. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND DELIVERABLES

The Consultant will work under the direct supervision of the Project Coordinator and the Component 1 Coordinator, and will report directly to the Component 1 Coordinator.

Duration (from the date of contract signing)	Practical outcomes	Percentage of contract amount (%)
2.0 months	- Review of legislations in the agricultural sector and regarding Dehkan farmers (farm), identification of inconsistencies or the need for relevant amendments; development, coordination, and submission of corresponding draft legal acts based on the above findings; - Preparing a justification note for amending and supplementing the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm”; - Preparing the draft amendment to the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm”.	40
5.0 months	- Coordinating the draft amendment to the law of the Republic of Tajikistan “On Dehkan (farmers) farm” with relevant ministries and agencies, including obtaining official feedback and opinions; - Preparing the finalized version of the amendment for endorsement and signature by the heads of the relevant ministries and agencies; - Submission of a final narrative report, including all developed materials, source documents, and related content.	60

All reports including work files shall be provided to the client in electronic format (on CD) upon completion of the consultancy.

All assignment reports shall be submitted to the client in 2 original hard copies. All documents to be submitted by the Consultant shall be in Russian and Tajik languages.

V. QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

i) A University degree in law or a related field;

- ii) At least 7 years of relevant professional experience in legal drafting, policy development, or legislative reform;
- iii) Proven experience in developing or amending national laws or regulatory frameworks, preferably in the field of agriculture, land use, or rural development.
- iv) Strong knowledge of the agricultural sector and relevant national legislation;
- v) Proficiency in computer applications, including MS Office and legal research tools;
- vi) Fluency in Tajik and Russian (both written and spoken); knowledge of English is considered an asset.

VI. DURATION OF THE ASSIGNMENT

The duration of the assignment is five months.