

**Request for Proposal**

**Consultancy: Improve Agricultural and Food Security for Tepu**

Conservation International Suriname (CI Suriname) is looking for a consultant to **Improve Agricultural and Food Security for Tepu** to execute project activities for a period of 3 months.

The community of Tepu is mostly dependent on growing crops for food supply, and therefore faces big challenges during the big rainy season, because most of the crops are destroyed due to excessive water. The objective of this consultancy is to improve the food security in Tepu by improving existing and introducing new agricultural practices which should result in a reliable and nutritious supply of food throughout the whole year.

**Timeline & Deliverables**

No.	Activity	Deliverables	Acceptance Criteria	Due dates
1.	Review of current agricultural practices during field trip Tepu: 1 <sup>st</sup> week October	Field report	The field report must contain: - The current agricultural practices - Pictures of the agricultural plots - General suggestions for improvement	<b>October 17, 2022</b>
2.	Prepare Workplan	Workplan	The workplan must contain the following:  - A timeline - A training plan/program with clearly defined objectives and day to day activities - A design for certificates of completion	<b>October 24, 2022</b>
3.	Prepare and conduct training in Tepu Training period: 1 <sup>st</sup> week December 2022	Training manual	3a) Training manual in improved agricultural practices (including new tools and techniques), using visual materials (pictures) with detailed descriptions.	<b>November 07, 2022</b>
		Proof of training: Pictures and attendance lists Short technical report	3b) Short technical report including pictures and attendance lists	<b>December 12, 2022</b>
4.	Prepare Final Report	Final report	Final report, containing (but not limited to): - Final agenda of the training - Summary of the subjects - Next steps and recommendations for improvement - Participants lists & pictures of the training sessions	<b>December 19, 2022</b>

**Requirements**

Applicant should meet the following requirements:

- At least a BSc. in Agricultural Sciences
- A minimum of five (5) years' work experience in the agriculture sector
- Experience in training local communities
- Dutch and English proficiency, both in speaking and writing
- Excellent knowledge of Sranan Tongo

**Selection Criteria**

- Overall quality of CV and Cover Letter – 3 pts
- Education Requirement - 3 pts
- Work Experience Requirement- 3 pts
- Experience in agricultural processes including the ability to effectively convey technical information - 3 pts
- Experience with similar projects- 3 pts
- Understanding of the challenges and cultural background of Indigenous communities - 3 pts
- English and Dutch proficiency, both in speaking and writing - 3 pts
- Highly familiar with cultural awareness and sensitivity - 3 pts
- Comprehensive technical proposal on how to conduct training in improved agricultural practices - 3 pts
- Budget – 3 pts

**Interested?**

Applications should be sent, in English, to [ci-suriname@conservation.org](mailto:ci-suriname@conservation.org) on or before **22 August 2022** by 4 PM. Please specify "Improve Agricultural and Food Security for Tepu consultant + Your Name" in the subject line. Applications should include:

- (i) A resume of the applicant providing detailed information on the criteria listed in the "selection criteria" section of the RFP;
- (ii) A minimum of five (5) years' experience of working in the agricultural sector

Questions and clarifications regarding the consultancy may be addressed no later than **22 August 2022** to the Technical Manager; Ms. Eryln Power by e-mail: [epower@conservation.org](mailto:epower@conservation.org).