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| **Position Announcement****Contract – Landscape Restoration Project - Livelihoods Assessment** |

**Scope of work for undertaking livelihoods assessment for eastern Madhya Pradesh landscape**

WRI India is implementing a landscape restoration project in Madhya Pradesh which aims to identify opportunities for implementing tree based interventions at scale, with the objective of enhancing rural livelihoods, sequestering carbon, conserving biodiversity and protecting watersheds. This is highly relevant since Madhya Pradesh is endowed with rich natural resources and also has a large agrarian economy directly dependent on these resources. Climate change impacts pose a risk to human wellbeing, economic security as well as environmental security in the state.

The landscape identified in Madhya Pradesh comprises five districts viz., Sidhi, Singhrauli, Umaria, Shahdol and Anoopur. A comprehensive restoration opportunities mapping has been conducted for Sidhi district and a crucial next step is to identify how these interventions can lead to enhanced livelihood security in the district.

Based on the restoration opportunity assessment in Sidhi and the basket of interventions that are emerging from stakeholder consultations, WRI India is now seeking a consultant/organization that can undertake a livelihood assessment for identifying entrepreneurship, employment and livelihood diversification opportunities that may be generated in the process of realizing this restoration potential. This is a critical step in prioritizing interventions and is considered crucial, as it will aid in developing realistic project pipelines that will aid decision makers to understand the trade-offs while planning and prioritizing restoration interventions for this climate vulnerable area of eastern Madhya Pradesh.

**Scope of work:**

**As part of this contract,** it is expected that a livelihood assessment will be conducted. This assessment will:

1. Provide an analysis of various entrepreneurship, employment and livelihood diversification opportunities that can result over time, from the successful implementation of different restoration interventions along with the potential opportunities and challenges.
2. Monetize potential benefits that identified restoration interventions and livelihood opportunity could have for the local population. Although, it recognized that not all benefits are tangible (and thus can be monetized), however, a clear indication of tangible and intangible benefits would be useful.
3. Assess and highlight how the identified livelihood opportunities, can differently benefit stakeholders from various socio-economic groups (including those who may not own land), along with a gendered analysis of benefit streams.

**Competency:** Identified organization/consultant will have-

* Subject matter expertise and past experience of undertaking livelihood assessment, preferably in Madhya Pradesh or for similar landscape
* Exceptional research and analytical skills
* Willingness to spend considerable time in Sidhi district for field assessment
* Good report writing skills

**Key deliverable**: Livelihood assessment report that can aid in prioritizing restoration interventions

**Duration**: Three months

**Assignment start date:** February 1, 2017

**How to apply:** Please send the following as a single PDF to rchaturvedi@wri.org and ruchika.singh@wri.org by January 27, 2017:

1. Cover letter
2. Curriculum vitae outlining relevant professional experience/ Organizational capabilities
3. A technical proposal that outlines the research approach, methodology and work plan to complete the livelihoods assessment in time

In case, you need any clarifications, please get in touch with Ruchika.Singh@wri.org.