



Deputy Director – Livelihoods

Centre for Pastoralism, [Sahjeevan](http://www.sahjeevan.org) works on a variety of issues relating to pastoral communities, with a particular focus on pastoral livelihoods. This work extends across Kutch, Saurashtra, Rajasthan, the Himalayas and the Deccan.

Project Description

The project seeks to enhance returns for pastoral communities based on the sale of milk and wool. Our work on milk is currently focussed primarily in Gujarat and Rajasthan, although we are hopeful of expanding this to other locations. Much of this work is taking place in partnership with a range of institutions, including Amul and its various district-level affiliates, Rajasthan Cooperative Dairy Federations (RCDF), Aadvik Foods Pvt Ltd and others. Our work on wool is more experimental, and includes work on understanding the potential of using short staple indigenous wool in apparel/furnishings, as biofertilizers and as building insulation.

The position requires inputs on strategy, liaison, program planning, monitoring, networking and communications.

Key Qualifications & experience

- Post-graduate qualification in Rural Development, Agriculture or related disciplines;
- A minimum of eight years of relevant experience in the field of livelihoods. Three-years mid-level experience with milk/wool production systems is desirable.
- A sound understanding of the dairy industry, of institutions/departments that facilitate livelihoods and of the financial ecosystem related to support towards public investments;
- Significant experience in business plan preparation, preparation of funding proposals, market mainstreaming preferably for producer organizations.
- Excellent communication skills including written and verbal skills in English;

Key responsibilities

- Coordinate and lead the work plan on livelihoods.
- Provide strategic inputs on interventions, networking and also liaison with government and private sector;
- Enterprise establishment support to first generation entrepreneurs;
- Seek and provide support to partner organizations;
- Monitor timely implementation of phase wise activities; outputs and outcomes
- Document, report, keep records and prepare funding proposals (national and international agencies).

COMPENSATION: Suitable candidates will be offered compensation depending upon the qualifications and experience and will be in line with industry standards.

To Apply: For immediate consideration, candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, testimonials of their writings, one page note on their vision towards Dairy sector based livelihoods including contacts of two references, to Ms. Dhara Pithadia at the following email: job.sahjeevan@gmail.com. Please use the following Subject Title: Deputy Director - Livelihoods

Suggested Start Date – As soon as possible; Sahjeevan is an equal opportunity employer.