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TBC is now recruiting...

**Food Security and Nutrition
Programme Specialist**



The Border Consortium (TBC) works with conflict affected communities in SE Burma/Myanmar and 9 refugee camps in Thailand building preparedness for return and reintegration of displaced people. Through local partners and community led processes, TBC supports access to Food, shelter, capacity building for community management, and rehabilitation of conflicted affected communities. Now we are **URGENTLY** seeking **Food Security and Nutrition Programme Specialist** to join the team.

Job Purpose:

The Food Security and Nutrition (FSN) Programme Specialist is responsible for overall leadership, strategic direction, management, implementation, and development of the FSN Programme in accordance with TBC's organisational strategy. FSN Specialist is ultimately accountable for the programme quality and impact of the programme through the quality supervision, coaching and backstopping of team leaders. It is the responsibility of FSN Programme Specialist to ensure coordination and synergy between FSN practices and other programmes under supervision of Thailand Programme Director. This position will spearhead the management of progressive and innovative approaches in providing food assistance to prioritize meeting nutritional needs with limited resources and in a highly constrained refugee context.

Reporting Line:

This job reports to Thailand Programme Director

Type of Employment/ Location:

Full time / Bangkok, Thailand (but with regular and significant travel to Field operational areas)

Job Responsibilities:

3.1 Core Responsibilities & Duties

TBC Nutrition & Food Programme:

- Design and develop the integrated FSN programme, strategies, and plans, ensuring they are in line with TBC's overall organisational strategy, TBC's mission, and vision, as well as Thailand Programme goals.
- Lead the design and implementation of FSN project/initiative/programme approaches and methodologies aiming towards community empowerment, capacity building, Civil Society Strengthening, working in partnerships, policy analysis and advocacy.
- Provide expert advice and guidance to TBC's food assistance programme for refugees and IDPs as it considers best nutritional standards in its food basket composition and approach.
- Provide leadership and technical oversight for the effective and efficient implementation of the supplementary and therapeutic feeding programmes and Infant and Young Child feeding programme.

- Ensure that nutrition and food security protocols and guidelines are respected and adhered to in all the border field sites.
- Provide advice and review the nutrition guidelines including the revision of SFP if needed, IYCF curriculum & education materials, nutrition programme monitoring tools and checklist, etc.
- Ensure that capacity-building and training needs of field staff and partners are addressed.
- Oversee the planning, implementation, and data analysis of internal (e.g., biennial nutrition survey, Food Security Post-Distribution Monitoring survey) and external surveys, evaluations, and reviews in relation to integrated FSN Programme.
- Support the preparation of FSN budget needs and monitor and approve programme expenditures.
- Provide TBC Chiang Mai and Myanmar Offices with nutrition technical support for sub-grant related activities and nutrition surveillance in Myanmar and in IDP camps.
- Ensure accurate and timely reporting of FSN programme finances and progress status, review financial performance against budget and explain variances on a regular basis.
- Make regular field visits to provide support in project implementation, monitoring and evaluation.

Internal Coordination and Supervision:

- Work closely with TBC's Senior Management Team to ensure that FSN activities are consistently and effectively integrated into day-to-day field activities and operations.
- Provide direct supervision and support to Nutrition Team Leader and Livelihoods Team Leader in the areas of food security, nutrition and livelihoods related assistance.
- Develop performance plans, work plans, and budgets with the Nutrition Team Leader and the Livelihoods Team Leader.
- Work with the HR & Admin in the recruitment, orientation, performance management, training and development, disciplinary and grievance procedures, as required.
- Work closely with TBC's supply chain staff and procurement team to assess the needs of the FSN Programme and to ensure that food supplies and nutritional materials are timely and adequately requisitioned and accountably utilized.
- Ensure proper communication, coordination, and harmonization of tools with the different stakeholders involved in food security, nutrition, and livelihoods activities.

External Coordination:

- Provide expert nutrition and food security guidance, leadership, and support in coordination with CCSDPT members and within the appropriate CCSDPT committees, sub-committees and working groups and lead the quarterly Nutrition Working Group meeting as needed.
- Ensure team input and contribution to the CCSDPT Livelihoods Working Group.
- Act as a focal point in negotiation with partners including INGOs, CBOs and community leaders in term of improving food security, nutrition, and livelihoods activities in all camps.
- Maintain professional networks, such as WFP, CDC, and other relevant international agencies to share information, remain current in the field, and be able to use recent practices that are innovative and successful.
- Participate in related research projects with academic and professional partners that further the technical knowledge of humanitarian relief and development.

Reporting and Representation:

- Ensure regular reporting systems are in place including the verification and compilation of food security, nutrition, and livelihoods programme reports.
- Provide advice and input to the donors' reports, indicators, proposal, and other donors' monitoring reports.
- Develop, update, and monitor data management systems related to food security, nutrition, and livelihoods indicators.

- Host donor visits and manage donor relations in regard to all nutritional and livelihoods projects and issues raised.
- Represent TBC, especially in areas of food security, nutrition and livelihoods to donors, multilaterals, other INGOs, CSSDPT and government, as required.

3.2 Occasional Significant Duties

- Respond to emergency situations.
- Other duties may be delegated by Thailand Programme Director and the Senior Management Team as required.

Job Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree in nutrition or Master's degree in nutrition, Public Health or related area.
- At least 5 years international experience with an INGO or UN agency in the field of nutrition and programme management experience
- Experience working with donor funded programs/ donors such as USAID, FCDO, private foundations, etc.
- Strong experience and knowledge of agriculture and food and nutrition security sector and policies, strategic design, civil society organizations activities, networking, and rights-based approaches to development
- Strong leadership and team-work skills
- Proven programme management and development experience
- Strategic and conceptual thinking ability
- Proven and demonstrable facilitation skills, negotiation skills and networking skills including facilitating change, innovation and initiating action
- Commitment to and understanding of a process and livelihood approach to development
- Excellent professionalism, relationship building and communication skills
- Sound knowledge of Infant and Young Child Feeding programming
- Knowledge in survey tool development and data analysis skills (nutrition surveys, dietary diversity, household hunger, IYCF, etc.)
- Strong representation skills
- Fluency in English
- Thai language an asset

Application Closing Date : 31 October 2022

Expected Start Date : December 2022

How to Apply:

- Please submit a current CV/resume including 2 references and a cover letter explaining why you are suitable for this post to hr@theborderconsortium.org
- Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

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(Minorities/Females/People with Disabilities)