Opportunity with Dakshin Foundation

Dakshin Foundation invites applications from suitable candidates for a short-term project to map the dynamics of reduction fisheries along India’s coastline, as part of its Sustainable Fisheries sub-programme, under the Biodiversity and Resource Monitoring Programme.

Number of vacancies: One

Position: Consultant – Reduction Fisheries

Duration: 6-8 months from the date of joining.

Project details: Reduction fisheries refers to capture fisheries for the purpose of fish oil, fishmeal or any other processed product that is not directly used for human consumption. Fishmeal and fish oil are becoming increasingly significant industries in the country today, but their production has implications for ecological sustainability, livelihoods of fishing communities and food security. This project aims to characterise reduction fisheries in the major fishing harbours across India’s coastline, using an interdisciplinary approach to understand the ecological, social and economic dimensions of reduction fisheries.

Position details: The position involves a rapid assessment of reduction fisheries across the major fish landing centres along the east and west coast of India, through key informant interviews and stakeholder surveys. The candidate will be responsible for overseeing and conducting field sampling for the collection of primary data, as well as analysis of data and publication of findings. The position will
be based out of our office in Bangalore, but will involve a considerable amount of travel to the different field sites across the coastline.

**Chief responsibilities:**

1) Compiling secondary data on reduction fisheries through a detailed literature review
2) Designing the field study, coming up with an optimal sampling strategy and developing questionnaires
3) Carrying out surveys and interviews at field sites
4) Data analysis and final report compilation

**Last date to apply:** 31st January 2020

The position will be filled as soon as a suitable candidate is identified; therefore, interested individuals are requested to apply immediately.

**Candidates must possess the following basic qualifications/skills:**

- A Master’s degree in fisheries or any of the social sciences (A degree in the natural sciences will also be considered, if the candidate can demonstrate the aptitude for interdisciplinary thinking.).
- 2-3 years of relevant work experience
- Ability to conduct interview-based surveys
- Good written and spoken communication skills in English
- Ability to work independently
Candidates with the following additional qualifications/skills will be preferred:

- Experience working in the fisheries sector
- Fluency in one or more of these languages will be preferred: Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, Odiya, Bengali, Kannada, Marathi, Gujarati

Remuneration: Commensurate with Dakshin Foundation’s internal policies and standards.

How to apply:

Send an email to apply.dakshinfoundation@gmail.com with the subject line “Application for Consultant – Reduction Fisheries” expressing your interest in the position, following which we will get in touch regarding the application procedure.

About us:

Dakshin Foundation is a non-profit, non-governmental organisation based at Bangalore, India, with field offices and interventions across India’s coastline and in its oceanic islands. Our mission is to inform and advocate conservation and natural resource management, while promoting and supporting sustainable livelihoods, social development and environmental justice. To learn more about our interventions and research projects please take a look at our website (www.dakshin.org).