Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project (KCSAP)
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TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS
APPLICATIONS FOR
CALL FOR PhD/MSc TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP
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1. The Government of Kenya (GoK) has acquired an International Development Association (IDA) Credit in amount of SDR184 million (US$250 million) to finance Kenya Climate Smart Agriculture Project (KCSAP). The GoK intends to utilize part of the credit proceeds to finance the cost of PhD/MSc Training Scholarships.

2. The Project Development (PDD) "to increase agricultural productivity and build resilience to climate change risks in the targeted smallholder farmers and pastoral communities in Kenya and in the event of an Eligible Crisis or Emergency, to provide immediate and effective response". This objective will be achieved through utilization of climate-smart agriculture (CSA) technologies, innovations and management practices (TIMPs). The project activities will be implemented within five (5) key components; namely

i. up scaling climate-smart agricultural practices;
ii. strengthening climate-smart agricultural research and seed systems;
iii. supporting agro-weather, market, climate, and advisory services;
iv. project coordination and management, and
v. Contingency emergency response.

Scholarship Call

Purpose: To enhance the technical and institutional capacity of implementing institutions and agencies to develop, validate and disseminate context specific CSA TIMPs, and enhance agro-meteorological observation and forecasting, agricultural statistics collection and analyses and market advisory services.

Areas of focus: KCSAP Component 2 aims to strengthen technical and institutional capacity in deficient disciplines within the National Agricultural Research Systems (NARS) to deliver CSA TIMPs and develop sustainable seed, breeding stock and fingerlings delivery systems in Kenya. The Component seeks to support training of 24 PhDs and 46 MScs. in plant breeding and agronomy, animal and pasture breeding, aquaculture, bee science, value addition, economic analysis, social and gender analysis, policy research, statistical analysis, data management, seed science and business development. The aim of Component 3 is to strengthen the technical and institutional capacity of staff of national and county governments namely MoALF&I (Departments of Agriculture, Livestock, and Fisheries) and key institutions i.e., Kenya Meteorological Department, Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO), the Agricultural Statistics Unit (ASU), the Agricultural Insurance Unit (AIU), and other semi-autonomous agencies. Component 3 seeks to support training of 17 PhDs and 62 MScs in the areas of climate change science and modelling, disaster risk management, agro-meteorology, computer science, agricultural statistics, and business information systems.

Eligible Candidates

Staff and interns of key KCSAP implementing agencies and the NARS institutions are eligible.

Instructions for application: Detailed application instructions are available on the KCSAP website: www.kcsap.go.ke; www.kalro.org; www.kilimo.go.ke; www.meteo.go.ke. The documents on the website include:

a) Eligibility criteria
b) Application form
c) Guide for Scholarship on offer
d) Guidelines for concept note preparation
e) Training Bond Form

Submission of applications

Interested candidates should forward their applications to the National Project Co-ordinator in both electronic and hard copy on or before Wednesday, 31st July, 2019 at 5.00 pm at the following address:

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