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TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS CALL FOR PHD/MSC/MBA APPLICATIONS

Name of Project	Food Systems Resilience Project (FSRP)
Credit No	7327-KE, 7328-KE
Project ID No	P177816

Introduction

The Government of Kenya (GoK) has acquired an International Development Association (IDA) credit to finance the Food Systems Resilience Project (FSRP). The GoK intends to utilize part of the credit proceeds to finance the cost of PhD/MSc/MBA Training Scholarships relevant to the project.

The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase preparedness against food insecurity and improve the resilience of food systems in targeted project areas of Kenya. This objective will be achieved through increasing farm productivity and resilience by developing and disseminating climate smart agriculture (CSA) technologies and services to farmers, including climate smart seed systems and gender sensitive technologies. The Project activities will be implemented within six components namely:

- (i) (Re-) Building Resilient Agricultural Production Capacity;
- (ii) Supporting the Sustainable Development of Natural Resources for Resilient Agricultural Landscapes;
- (iii) Getting to Markets;
- (iv) Promoting a Greater Focus on Food Systems Resilience in National and Regional Policy making;
- (v) Contingency Emergency Response; and
- (vi) Project Coordination and Management.

Scholarship Call

Purpose: The purpose of the FSRP Scholarship programme is to build human capacity to contribute to increased preparedness against food insecurity and improved resilience of food systems in the thirteen (13) targeted counties of the FSRP.

Areas of focus: The FSRP scholarship programme aims to build the capacity of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MoALD), National Agricultural Research Systems (NARS) institutions and the implementing counties in areas relevant to the project.

The programme will support long-term training for 88 PhDs, 87 MScs and 4 MBAs in (i) Data & digital agriculture technologies, (ii) CSA Technologies & services, (iii) Community engagement and technology transfer, (iv) Water & Rangeland management for crops and livestock, (v) Strengthening Farmer Producer Organizations, (vi) Agricultural markets and Enterprise Development, (vii) Creditworthiness of crop and livestock farmers, (viii) Prioritization of food systems resilience in public policy and spending, and (ix) Resilience-enhancing policies. The distribution and the number of scholarships on offer in each training area are contained in the Guide for Scholarships on offer, available on FSRP website: www.fsrp.go.ke.

Eligible candidates

All staff and interns of key FSRP implementing agencies, and the NARS institutions are eligible, as provided in the eligibility criteria, available on FSRP website. Applicants should already have obtained admission to a recognized university in Kenya. Persons from the thirteen (13) targeted counties of FSRP (Baringo, Elgeyo Marakwet, Garissa, Isiolo, Laikipia, Lamu, Mandera, Marsabit, Samburu, Tana River, Turkana, Wajir and West Pokot) are particularly encouraged to apply.

Requirements for application

Detailed application requirements are available on the FSRP website: www.fsrp.go.ke. The required documents include:

- (i) Application form
- (ii) Concept note
- (iii) Required relevant attachments as indicated in the application form

Instructions for application

Detailed application instructions are available on the FSRP website: www.fsrp.go.ke. The documents on the website include:

- (i) Guide for Scholarships on offer
- (ii) Guidelines for concept note preparation
- (iii) Training bond form (applicable ONLY for those awarded scholarship)

Submission of applications

Interested candidates should forward their applications to the National Project Coordinator in both electronic and hard copy on or before **Friday, 21st March, 2025 at 5:00 pm** to the following address:

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