



## Call for Expression of Interest/Nomination for CIRDAP IRD Expert

Centre on Integrated Rural Development for Asia and the Pacific (CIRDAP) is calling for Expression of Interest (EOI) from Rural Development Experts from CIRDAP Member Countries (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Fiji, India, Indonesia, Iran, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, and Vietnam) for the position of CIRDAP IRD Expert.

The guidelines and application process are as follows:

### A. Criteria

- i. Has international eminence in Integrated Rural Development;
- ii. Held higher positions in government or relevant institutions/organizations;
- iii. Sound knowledge in political and rural development socio-economic issues at the regional and international levels;
- iv. Has published books, articles in internationally reputed journals and has other recognized achievements/awards;
- v. Citizen of a CIRDAP Member Country; and
- vi. Must be proficient in English both spoken and written.

### B. Roles and Responsibilities

- i. Provides advice on the Technical and funding aspects of the activities and programmes to the Technical Committee and CIRDAP Secretariat;
- ii. Act as a member of the Personnel Advisory Committee (PAC) on the recruitment of the professional staff if Director General CIRDAP decides so;
- iii. A member of the Technical Committee and Screening Committee for Selection of Director General of CIRDAP;
- iv. Member of any other sub-committee established by the policy bodies (EC, GC and TC); and
- v. Providing support to CIRDAP programme activities as Guest, Keynote Speaker, Resource Person amongst other.

### C. Benefits

The incumbent will be paid honorarium in recognition of a special service provided under his/her roles and responsibilities

### D. Tenure

The incumbent will be appointed for a term of two years, and subject to extension for another term.

### E. Application Process

- i. Interested individuals, who meet the above criteria are, requested express their interest directly to the respective Contact Ministry (Ministry name and contact details are enclosed and also available in CIRDAP website) of the respective country for endorsement and a copy to the email: [aocirdap@cirdap.org](mailto:aocirdap@cirdap.org).
- ii. CIRDAP secretariat will assess and shortlist one to three candidates and endorse by serving Executive Committee Chairperson before tabling to Governing Council Meeting for consideration.

**Deadline for submission of Application/Nomination: 30 June 2026**

## Linked Ministry of CIRDAP

### BANGLADESH

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
EC	Secretary Rural Development & Cooperatives Division Ministry of Local Government Rural Development & Cooperatives Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh	ps.secretary@rdcd.gov.bd
TC	Mr. Saif Uddin Ahmed Director General Bangladesh Academy for Rural Development (BARD) Comilla, Bangladesh	dg@bard.gov.bd

### FIJI

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
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TC	Director Development Services Division Ministry of Rural and Maritime Development and Disaster Management Republic of Fiji	arieta.dimuri@rural.gov.fj

### INDIA

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
EC	Secretary Ministry of Rural Development Government of India	Contact  Mr. Alok Jawahar Deputy Secretary Email: alok.jawahar@nic.in
TC	Director General National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR) Ministry of Rural Development, India	dg.nird@gov.in;

INDONESIA

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
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TC	Director General Village Administration Ministry of Home Affairs Republic of Indonesia	Email: ditooffice@gmail.com

IR Iran

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
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TC & Focal	Ms. Atousa Bakhtiari Senior Researcher & Responsible for International Cooperations of APERDRI Agricultural Planning, Economic and Rural Development Research Institute (APERDRI) Ministry of Agriculture Jihad Islamic Republic of Iran	Bakhtiari.at@gmail.com Bakhtiari.at@agri-peri.ac.ir

LAO PDR

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
EC	Director General Department of Planning and Cooperation Ministry of Agriculture and Environment Lao PDR	Contact Mr. Khamphouvong Khamvene, Deputy Director toto.khk@Hotmail.com
TC	Director General Rural Development and Poverty Reduction Department Ministry of Agriculture and Environment Lao PDR	thasaka@gmail.com

MALAYSIA

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TC	----- (All communication may send to EC for the time being)	All email to copy:  international@rurallink.gov.my

MYANMAR

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
EC	Acting Director General Department of Rural Development (DRD) Ministry of Cooperatives and Rural Development (MCRD) Republic of the Union of Myanmar	cirdap.myanmar@gmail.com
TC	Director Department of Rural Development (DRD) Ministry of Cooperatives and Rural Development (MCRD), Republic of the Union of Myanmar	zarniminn@drdmyanmar.net; cirdap.myanmar@gmail.com

NEPAL

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
EC	Secretary Ministry of Land Management, Cooperative, Federal Affairs and General Administration Kathmandu, Nepal	Contact: Mr. Hari Prasad Chapagain Undersecretary chapagaihp@gmail.com
TC	Director Local Development Training Academy Ministry of Land Management, Cooperative, Federal Affairs and General Administration Nepal	ldta.jkshrestha2021@gmail.com

PAKISTAN

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
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TC	Director General Akhtar Hameed Khan National Centre for Rural Development (AHKNCRD) Establishment Division Government of Islamic Republic of Pakistan	dg@ncrd.gov.pk

PHILIPPINES

Policy Body	Name & Organization	Email
EC	Undersecretary Support Services Office (SSO) Department of Agrarian Reform Republic of the Philippines	usec.sso@dar.gov.ph
TC	Director IV Bureau of Agrarian Reform Beneficiaries Development Department of Agrarian Reform Republic of the Philippines	lita.dar@gmail.com

SRI LANKA

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TC	Director Hector Kobbekaduwa Agrarian Research and Training Institute Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Lands and Irrigation, Sri Lanka	director@harti.gov.lk alsandika@gmail.com

THAILAND

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VIETNAM

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