



VACANCY

Post: Research Assistant (Full-time)

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for the post of **Research Assistant (Full-Time)** to work on the research project entitled “**Development of a Climate-Smart Innovative Local Biopesticide**”, for a contractual period of **six (6) months**.

Qualifications Required:

- A degree in **Agricultural Science and Technology** or any other **Science degree**.

Profile

Candidates must:

- Have good writing skills.
- Have good research and analytical skills.
- Be computer literate.
- Have good inter-personal and communication skills.
- Be pro-active and resourceful.

Preference will be given to candidates with practical knowledge and experience in extraction of chemicals from plants.

Responsibilities & Duties (*Inter alia*)

1. Carry out a desk review on biopesticide.
2. Carry out laboratory work, extraction and analysis of plant chemicals.
3. Carry out on-site work (testing of bioproducts in field).
4. Input and analyse data collected.
5. Testing of bioproducts toxicity.
6. Produce a draft report on the work carried out.
7. Assist in other activities related to the project.

Remuneration

A monthly all-inclusive allowance of Rs 27,400/- plus salary compensation at approved rate, plus travelling expenses by bus.

Duration of Contract

Appointment will be offered for an initial contractual period of six (6) months. The proposed starting date will be 15 July 2024.

Mode of Application

Letter of application together with a detailed *Curriculum Vitae* and photocopies of qualifications, birth certificate, marriage certificate (if applicable), testimonials and equivalence of qualifications (where applicable) should reach **the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture (Attention: Mr Shane Hardowar), University of Mauritius, Réduit, OR** by email to Mr. Shane Hardowar at s.hardowar@uom.ac.mu and copied to deanfoa@uom.ac.mu by **09 July 2024 at latest**.

The envelope should be clearly marked **Research Assistant** for the project “**Development of a climate-smart innovative local biopesticide**” on the top right hand corner.

Applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

The University reserves the right:

- to call for interview only the most appropriately and best qualified applicants.
- not to make any appointment as a result of this advertisement.