

Balochistan Livelihoods and Entrepreneurship Project (BLEP)
Request for Application for Matching grant for High Tunnel System Installation

Country: Pakistan

Project: Balochistan Livelihoods and Entrepreneurship Project (WB IDA Credit/Grant)

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The Government of Balochistan (GoB) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Balochistan Livelihoods and Entrepreneurship Project (BLEP). The BLEP overall objective is to promote livelihoods through enterprise development and job creation to support poverty reduction and sustainable and inclusive economic growth in rural areas of Balochistan.

The Project Management and Implementation Unit (PMIU), Balochistan Livelihoods and Entrepreneurship Project (BLEP) now invites grant application from progressive farmers in selected eight districts for installation of high tunnel system (HTS) on cost sharing basis. The grants will be awarded and implemented in accordance with BLEP grant regulations and internal grant management policies. Moreover, the final beneficiaries will be selected through balloting.

WHO CAN APPLY

Beneficiaries from Balochistan province fulfilling the following criteria may apply for the High Tunnel System (HTS).

- 1) Must agree to a minimum contribution ratio of 25 Grantee (Non-refundable): 75 BLEP of the total cost
- 2) Apart from that Rs. Three lacs (300000) for one unit of 22176, Six lacs (600000) for two Units of 22176 and Nine lacs (900000) for three units of 22176 as a security amount (refundable).
- 3) Possess a valid CNIC and must be a local of respective district.
- 4) The applicant must have fertile agriculture land in the respective districts the land must be levelled.
- 5) Willing to participate in the capacity building/training session by BLEP.
- 6) He/She has valid and legal proof of ownership of agriculture land in the respective districts.
- 7) He/She has reliable source of water.
- 8) Possess the required power source for the Tunnel system.
- 9) Has sufficient manpower (skilled labour) for operation and maintenance of HTS.
- 10) Must agree to pay grantee share within 15 days of the balloting.
- 11) Must adhere to the environmental and social safeguards as per BLEP environmental and social management documents (ESMF/ESMPs etc.).
- 12) He/She signs an affidavit to not sell and transfer to another location, the high tunnel system or any of its components for years, after installation.
- 13) Willing to abide by any other factors that may be added by BLEP in the better interest of tunnel facility.

SUITABILITY CRITERIA FOR HTS LAND/FARM

The following criteria will be adopted to select the site/farm for installation of High tunnel system:

- 1) The farm shall be accessible for frequent visits by interested stakeholders;
- 2) The farm shall be free from water-logging, salinization, alkalization;
- 3) The farm shall not be isolated by such obstacles which do create problems in the economic design and in engineering design/dimensions of the intervention.
- 4) Any person applying for more than one unit. Will provide land where all the units can be built close to each other. The maximum distance between units should not exceed 15 feet.

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION

The BLEP support offer is restricted to following eight districts of Balochistan.

Killa Abdullah/Chaman, Killa Saifullah, Pishin, Zhob, Chagai, Sherani, Mastung, and Nushki.

SIZE OF HIGH TUNNEL SYSTEM

The farmers may apply for any of the two sizes of high tunnel system.

- 1) One-unit 132x168 =22176 Sqft.
- 2) Two units 2x(132x168) =44352 Sqft.
- 3) Three Units 3x(132x168) =66528 Sqft.

Detail Request for Application (RFA) may be downloaded from the BLEP (www.blepgob.org.pk), and received from the respective BLEP district offices. For further information interested applicants may contact the BLEP office on the following available contact numbers. The applicants should submit the hard copy of the application through registered courier at the following address within 20 days of the publication of this advertisement.

The BLEP reserves the right to make any changes in above given information or accept/reject any or none of the application submitted, with or without providing the reason.

Address:

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