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Notification for the post of Director, IRTCBSF

The Department of Agriculture, Government of Kerala invites applications from suitable candidates to the post of the Director, International Research and Training Centre for Below Sea Level Farming, Alappuzha, Kerala.

International Research and Training Centre for Below Sea Level Farming:

The International Research and Training Centre for Below Sea Level Farming is an autonomous body started in the year 2014 under the Government of Kerala, Department of Agriculture, as a Registered Society under the Travancore Cochin Literary, Scientific and Charitable Societies Registration Act,1955. The Institute has its registered office at Thottappally PO, Alappuzha. The main Objectives are to facilitate a participatory research and communication system that promotes sustainable farming in coastal wetlands, to develop new cultivation methods, conservation of biodiversity, weed and pest control, develop suitable fishing and fish based farming systems, collection of traditional knowledge, constant monitoring of climate change and its impact, frame policies to control flood, monitor salinity and provide recommendations for salinity control etc.

Name of Post: Director, International Research and Training Centre for Below Sea Level Farming, Neerkunnam, Alappuzha, Kerala.

Qualifications Required:

a. The Director shall be a senior academic/scientist in the field of Biological sciences/ Agricultural sciences/Animal sciences/ Marine sciences / Earth sciences / Biotechnology/ Soil and Water Engineering with a minimum of twenty (20) years teaching/research in relevant subject areas.
b. Should have PhD in Science
c. Should have guided research scholars at PhD level
d. Should have published books / research papers in reviewed journals etc
e. Should have proven experience in managing academic/research institutions.

Tenure:

The State Government will appoint the Director of the Institute for a three (3) year period

with eligibility for a single additional term.

Responsibilities:

The Director will be in charge of the establishment, research activities, implementation of projects and all financial transactions of the institute authorized by the Executive Committee. The Director will undertake all the duties assigned by the executive committee and shall furnish reports as and when required. A detailed list of responsibilities of the Director is provided in the website irtcbsf.com.

Place of Posting: IRTCBSF, Alappuzha, Kerala, India.

Age Limit: Candidates applying to the post shall not have attained the age of 65 years as on 10.12.2026

Emoluments: The Government as per the recommendation of the Executive Committee shall determine his/her remuneration, perquisites or benefits of any nature as well as conditions of work and services.

The applications along with biodata and documents to prove the eligibility of the candidate shall reach the "Director of Agriculture, Directorate of Agriculture Development and Farmers' Welfare Department, Vikas Bhavan, Thiruvananthapuram – 695033 on or before 5.00 pm on 10.12.2026 by post or through email in the ID : ddplgdir@gmail.com.

The earlier notification vide ADFW/6288/2023-TP1 dated 15.01.2026 of this office calling for applications to the said post is hereby cancelled.

NOTE: Applicants currently working in government organizations should submit the application through proper channel.

Any clarifications in this regard can be had through phone 9383470027 during office hours.

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DIRECTOR
Director of Agriculture

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