



# **POSITION VACANT**

## **THE PAPUA NEW GUINEA NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

### **DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL**

The National Agricultural Research Institute (NARI) is the lead research organization, conducting and fostering applied and development-oriented research in the agriculture and rural development sectors in Papua New Guinea. Besides, NARI is responsible for providing analytical, diagnostic and advisory services to the agriculture sector. Such services include chemical analysis, advisory services and biometric and statistical services.

**Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experience PNG Citizens for the position of Deputy Director General (Grade 13 - 14) – Based at NARI Head Office, Bubia, Lae.**

This position is an Executive Management position and the Deputy Director-General assists the Director General in carrying out the responsibilities for the development and management of the Institute. The appointee will lead a team of senior scientific, technical and managerial staff in planning, developing and managing the research, information and technical programs, human resource, finance, statutory and corporate functions, and public relations. He/she will be proactive in developing and managing a creative environment for applied research, knowledge creation, effective information exchange and transfer, and innovative agricultural development.

Applicants will hold a postgraduate degree, preferably a PhD in agriculture, agriculture business or related discipline. He/she should have a minimum of 15 years of research experience, with at least 5 years in a senior managerial and leadership role. Applicants should have a proven record in agricultural research, research management, scientific leadership, policy development and strategic planning, as evidenced by research publications, technical papers and planning or design documents. An appreciation of smallholder semi-subsistence/commercial farming systems in PNG and a sound understanding of agricultural development issues in the country are essential.

Desirable qualities and attributes include a well-developed ability to handle complexity and determine priorities; successful experience in mobilizing funds through budgetary support and donor projects; and experience in prudent and efficient management of funds. Basic understanding of government budgeting and financial management processes is an advantage. Applicants should demonstrate a proven record of integrity, accountability and transparency in the management of public finance, resources and statutory functions.

#### **General**

The appointment will initially be for three years on a standard NARI contract, with possibility of further periods of employment subject to performance. Salary level will depend on qualifications and experience of the candidates. Salaries and benefits will include base salary, special domestic

market allowance gratuity, superannuation, leave entitlement, medical and life insurance, amenities allowance.

For selection criteria and details on salaries and allowances, and more information about NARI, please enquire on the following email address: .

Applications should include a detailed CV, names and contact details of three referees and be sent to:

The Chairman  
NARI Council  
National Agricultural Research Institute  
P O Box 4415, LAE, Morobe Province  
Papua New Guinea

**Attention: Director General**

Email applications are preferred via Email: [councilsecretariat@nari.gov.pg](mailto:councilsecretariat@nari.gov.pg) or for further enquires contact Telephone (675) 430 3044 / 478 4000 / 478 4005 / 7142 5973

**Applications close on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 5.00pm. Only Short-listed applicants will be contacted.**