VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Kenya Forest Service (KFS) is a State Corporation established by the Forest Conservation & Management Act of 2016. The Service is mandated to conserve, develop and sustainably manage forests and allied resources for environmental stability and the social-economic development of the people of Kenya.

In line with the provisions of the Forest Conservation and Management Act of 2016, the Service wishes to recruit a competent and qualified person to fill the following vacant position:

1. FOREST CONSERVATION COMMITTEE (FCC) CHAIRPERSON- EASTERN CONSERVANCY REF-KFS/FCC/2021

In accordance with Section 48 of the Forests Act, the Service created ten (10) Forest Conservancy Areas to oversee the proper and efficient management of forests, each with a ten (10) member Forest Conservation Committee (FCC) headed by chairperson who is appointed by the Board of Directors. The Service requests applicants to forward their applications for the position of Forest Conservation Committee Chairperson in Eastern Conservancy.

Job Purpose;
Assist the KFS Board of Management with the delivery of efficient and effective field operations of the regional level as well as to perform specific duties related to the implementation of the Forest legislation.

- The FCC Chairperson shall provide leadership of the Forest Conservancy to ensure quality performance and effective execution of the mandate and functions.
- He/she will work closely with representative from other government agencies (provincial administrative, agricultural and environment) representatives of the forest industry and community Forestry Association to ensure the sustainable management of the forest and allied resources.
- Guide strategy and help define key issues for the FCC
- Chair FCC meetings and ensure preparation of papers, reports and decision making.
- Bring goodwill and enthusiasm to the FCC
- Maintain independence and objectivity in deliberating all FCC matters
- Encourage high standards of propriety, ensuring that FCC members comply with a Code of Conduct.
- Provide an assessment of performance of individual FCC members.
- Ensure succession plans are in place for the FCC
- Ensure government policies, legislation and sustainable forest management practices are adhered to.

Academic qualifications, experience and other requirements, experience and other requirements;
i. At least ten (10) years knowledge and experience in forestry management, five must have been senior management position with a large organization.

ii. Have at least an undergraduate degree in Forestry, Social Science or a related field from a recognized University.

iii. Be able to think strategically, communicate effectively and provide leadership.

iv. Have knowledge and understanding of public sector operational procedures

v. Resides in the respective Forest Conservancy Area when He/She wishes to Serve.

vi. Be a person of high integrity who meets requirements of the Constitution of Kenya.

Declaration:
In order to protect the Service and the FCC from potential ignominy, candidates must declare in their applications any conflict of interest in regard to their candidature for the respective FCC.

How to Apply;
The detailed advertisement with all the job description and requirements is found in the Kenya Forest Service Web Site: http://www.kenyaforestservice.org (under jobs).

Interested candidates who meet the requirements are asked to apply while clearly indicating reference number for the position. Applications including current curriculum vitae, indicating current and expected remuneration, mobile phone number, names and contact details of three referees, copy of national identity card, copies of testimonials, copies of professional and academic certificates and copies of statutory requirements clearly marked with reference number should be sent through the post office or hand delivered to the following address in a sealed envelope marked “APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF FOREST CONSERVATION COMMITTEE CHAIR-KFS”; so as to reach the Service not later than 6th April, 2021 by 5.00pm.

Chief Conservator of Forests,
Kenya Forest Service, Karura, Off Kiambu Road,
P.O. Box 30513-00100, G.P.O
Nairobi, Kenya.

Note:
Canvassing will lead to disqualification. The Service is ISO accredited and an equal opportunity employer. Applicants living with disabilities and those from marginalized areas and minority communities are encouraged to apply. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted. For more information on the Service, please visit our website; www.kenyaforestservice.org.