

SUCCESS YOUNG DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS PROGRAMME (Communications/Research) 2018

Sindh Union Council and Community Economic Strengthening Support (SUCCESS) is a six year long (2015 - 2021) programme funded by the European Union (EU) and implemented by Rural Support Programmes Network (RSPN), National Rural Support Programme (NRSP), Sindh Rural Support Organisation (SRSO) and Thardeep Rural Development Programme (TRDP) in eight districts of Sindh, namely: Qambar Shahdadkot, Larkana, Dadu, Jamshoro, Matiari, Sujawal, Tando Allahyar and Tando Muhammad Khan. SUCCESS aims to work exclusively with the rural women of Sindh based on the RSPs' approach to Social Mobilisation, which centers around the belief that poor people have an innate potential to help themselves. This work will lay the foundation for another very important feature of the programme – which is to develop a Poverty Reduction Strategy (PRS) and a dedicated Community Driven Local Development (CDLD) policy to aid the Government of Sindh, with the assistance of Ernst & Young, technical assistant partner for SUCCESS.

With its wide and ever increasing reach, research and communication remains an instrumental part of SUCCESS's methodology of implementation. This means successful planning, execution, and dissemination of the process and impact of programme interventions and components to not only the beneficiaries but also a wider audience of stakeholders that includes the general public, civil society and government officials. As part of its research and communication outreach, SUCCESS RSPN component aims to engage young and energetic graduates as Young Development Professionals (YDPs) who have passion to highlight the work of rural women in Sindh and inspire through their writings in the form of data analysis case studies, newspaper blogs, picture stories, short human stories for digital media.

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YDPs' role:

The YDPs are expected to orient themselves with not only the RSPN component of SUCCESS's work but also the length and breadth of its work done by implementing partners in the field. For this purpose, the YDPs will be acquainted with work being done by RSPN and the research and communication methodology of the overall programme, and be facilitated in field travel so they can document stories, case studies, photographs and videos and showcase them as blogs, articles, case studies and visual depictions (photo stories, short documentaries, human video diaries) to project the reach of SUCCESS's work. The YDPs will be stationed in Islamabad with frequent travel to programme areas in Sindh.

ELIGIBILITY

- This programme is open to young people below the age of 30, who have recently graduated college or are currently pursuing a degree in humanities, social science research, media, communication, videography, photography or other related fields.
- The candidate should have good research, communication and writing skills and command over both English and Urdu. Working knowledge of Sindhi is an advantage.

- The candidate must be willing to work for a minimum of 8 weeks starting from the duration of their programme. (Starting date can be flexible depending on availability and the programme can be extended to a duration of three months.)
- The candidate should be ready and willing to travel to the programme districts in Sindh. See SUCCESS map [here](#). SUCCESS will facilitate and bear the cost of travel and accommodation of all YDPs while in the field.
- The candidate should have working knowledge of digital and social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram etc.)

CERTIFICATE and RENUMERATION:

Towards the end of the programme, the YDPs are required to present their work in the form of case studies, blog articles, research papers, photo/video stories as decided at the start of the programme with mutual consent of the supervisor and the YDP. Upon satisfactory completion of the programme, a certificate to the effect will be issued by SUCCESS – RSPN.

This is a paid programme. All YDPs will be paid a minimum monthly stipend of PKR 20,000, in addition to the cost of field travel, which shall be borne by SUCCESS.

APPLICATION

Interested candidates are required to submit their applications along with sample of a 500 words to demonstrate their creative (YDP Communication) or research (YDP Research) writing, through an online form [here](#). The last date to submit this application is April 22, 2018. Only shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview and/or written test.

For queries, please email success.rspn@rspn.org.pk