



## UN VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTION OF ASSIGNMENT

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**Opportunity Type (Online/Onsite)** Onsite

**Opportunity Title** Programme/Project Management Specialist

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<b>Host Entity</b>	WFP
<b>Country of Assignment</b>	Timor Leste
<b>Duty station</b>	Dili,
<b>Volunteer Category</b>	International UN Volunteer Specialist
<b>Number of UN Volunteers</b>	1
<b>Duration</b>	24m
<b>Possibility of Extension</b>	No
<b>Expected Start Date</b>	10/01/2022
<b>Sustainable Development Goal</b>	2. Zero hunger
<b>Disabilities</b>	No

### DOA Details

**Organisation mission and objectives** Independent since 2002, Timor-Leste – an island nation situated between Indonesia and Australia – is one of the world’s newest countries. It has successfully managed to transition out of conflict and become one of the region’s most stable democracies, with opposing political forces maintaining a peaceful dialogue to resolve differences. Its economy is dependent on oil and gas revenues, but with aspirations to develop agriculture and tourism. Timor Leste is a young nation. 59 percent of the population is under 25 years of age and women bear children at very early ages: one in four gives birth before turning 20. The right investments in education, employment and the empowerment of women can accelerate development in the course of a generation. Improved nutrition must underpin these efforts. The Government of Timor-Leste is firmly committed to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), of which it was a staunch supporter during negotiations. However, serious obstacles to the achievement of SDG 2 on Zero Hunger and improved nutrition remain. WFP works in close collaboration and coordination with the Government of Timor-Leste, with a view to strengthening its capacities for delivering social safety programmes, and with other partners including the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO).

**Assignment context**

WFP Timor-Leste, in consultation with the Embassy of Japan in Timor-Leste, has developed a project proposal for “Food Security Support to the Government of Timor Leste”. The project’s main elements include Provision of emergency food security support to the Government of Timor-Leste through Civil Protection and/or the Ministry of Social Solidarity and Inclusion; and Coordination, Distribution Planning and Supply chain capacity strengthening through augmentation and policy support. For the successful implementation of the project’s activities, WFP is looking for a UNV Programme Specialist to assist and strengthen the project.

**Task description**

Under the direct supervision of Deputy Country Director and Strategic Object 1 Manager, the UN Volunteer will undertake the following tasks: 1. Contribute to the Government of Japan supported Food Security Project, in line with both organisational strategy and the practical realities of operating in the field; 2. Support the Country Office in the development of strategies to support government efforts to reduce hunger and malnutrition. 3. Assist counterparts in governments and other partners in identifying where food assistance can be usefully employed and provide support for the planning, formulation and implementation of the government food assistance programmes. 4. Establish and maintain operational partnerships to identify opportunities for collaborative approaches and initiatives that improve government assistance packages and support advocacy work. 5. Support WFP’s leadership status in forums relating to food security and nutrition, through direct participation, briefings, information products and other materials. 6. Support the preparation and dissemination of timely analytical and critical reports, publications, and a variety of information products or proposals for internal or external use. 7. Support the development of functional training in areas of expertise to enhance the capacity of government staff to design and deliver effective food assistance programmes. 8. Contribute to Country Office and government Emergency Preparedness i.e. early warning, risk analysis, and contingency planning in order to respond to humanitarian crises and needs. 9. Other as required.

## Eligibility Criteria

**Age** 27-80

**Nationality** INTERNATIONAL

**Additional eligibility criteria**

This assignment is funded by JICA, therefore only former Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers (JICA-JOCV) who could get recommendation by JICA-JOCV Secretariat are eligible to apply. Please check your application eligibility on the JICA website ([https://www.jica.go.jp/volunteer/obog/career\\_support/unv/index.html](https://www.jica.go.jp/volunteer/obog/career_support/unv/index.html)). The assignment is planned to start October/November 2022.

## DOA Requirements

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**Required education level** Bachelor degree or equivalent

**Area(s) of specialisation** International Affairs Economics Nutrition/Health Agriculture Environmental Science Social Science or other fields relevant to international development/humanitarian assistance.

### Required experience

**Required experience** 3

**Required skills and experience** in project management skills. understanding of development and food security/nutrition, An understanding of capacity development and implementing through government entities is desirable.

**Language**

<b>Language</b>	<b>Language skills</b>	<b>Language requirement</b>
English	Fluent	Yes
Portuguese	Working knowledge	No
Indonesian	Working knowledge	No
Tetum	Working knowledge	No

**Area of Expertise**

- Communication
- Information technology

**Driving license required** No

**Type of driving licenses**

**Competencies and values** Accountability Adaptability and Flexibility Client Orientation  
Communication Creativity Empowering Others Knowledge  
Sharing Technology Awareness Working in Teams

**Other information**

**Living conditions and other remarks**

Timor Leste is half of a tropical island on the Australian continental shelf characterized by a rugged mountain chain running east-west that divides the country into a generally warmer north coast and a milder south coast. The capital city, Dili, is located in the north. Climate: The climate along the coast is relatively warm hot year round with an annual average temperature of 30°C. There are two distinct seasons: the north-east monsoon season, which runs from November to March, constitutes the rainy season throughout the country. The south-east monsoon season, which runs from March to October, constitutes the dry season with some rain on the southern coast but otherwise dry and windy conditions in the rest of the country. The climate inland with its high mountains can be cool with an annual average temperature of 15°C. Health: At the moment, Stamford clinic serves as a recommended medical facility for UN staff. It has two approved UN physicians that can perform primary healthcare and simpler treatments, or recommend medical evacuation to Singapore. There is a national hospital with some international staff and a limited number of other private clinics in Dili. For more complex medical treatment and assessment, it is necessary to evacuate to neighbouring countries such as Darwin or Singapore. Most of the population is vaccinated against COVID-19 and booster shots are available for UN staff (if needed). It's recommended to be fully vaccinated prior to travel. Diet, Food and Water: Most staple foods can be found in the markets such as rice, meat, vegetables, cooking oil, salt and sugar. There are many local markets around Dili as well as four supermarkets that are stocked with imported goods, mainly from Australia, Indonesia, Singapore and China. Dili has a large number of restaurants, cafes and bars. There is a variety of food ranging from Western to Southeast Asian fare. You can also find several local warungs with less expensive meals. The price range for a meal can range from \$3 to \$20+. Telecommunications: At the moment, there are three telecommunication providers in country, Timor Telecom and Telcomcel and Telemor. While Timor Telecom has been long present, Telcomcel and Telemor were newly launched in Timor-Leste, and started operating in February 2013. The SIM cards cost \$2-3 and pre-paid/pulsa cards range from \$1 to \$50. Further, depending on UN Agency, you may receive a PIN code to make international phone calls that will be charged to your VLA. Hotels: The host agency in Dili will help arrange your initial accommodation in a hotel, at your expense. Most of the hotels in Dili are aimed at internationals and offer a good level of comfort with air-conditioned rooms and en-suite bathrooms. You can expect to pay from \$30 to \$50 per night. Permanent Accommodation: Expect that your accommodation will range from the very basic to adequate, although many private houses in Dili have been renovated to a reasonable or even considered 'luxurious' level of comfort. The rate of reconstruction and renovation in the districts has been much slower than in Dili. Accommodation is far more likely to be of a very basic level.

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