

 **Request for Application**

**Stimulating Establishment/Expansion of Commercial Forage Production and Marketing in RiPA Program Areas**

***Location:*** (Somali, Afar and Oromia regions)

Mercy Corps is an international, Non-governmental humanitarian relief and development organization that exist to alleviate suffering and poverty by helping people build secure, productive and sustainable community driven changes.

Mercy corps has planned to catalyze animal health service delivery system through capacity building of selected market actors in the Resilience in Pastoral Areas-North (RiPA-north) program targeted areas (Somali, Afar and Oromia regions).

Thus, Mercy Corps RiPA is welcoming applications from existing/new commercial forage (feed/seed) producers, traders and/or those engaged in livestock related business who are interested to expand/establish forage production to create market based solutions for livestock producers in Pastoral and Agro-Pastoral Area **per the detailed in call for application.**

**Criteria:**

* Registered business entities under Ethiopian law with recently renewed business license from the relevant authorities;
* Have operational forage/feed related businesses for a minimum of two years before the date of the application;
* Avail a minimum of 20 ha land for commercial forage production;
* Have the financial capacities and other related resources to leverage and expand the proposed business idea that required;
* Interested applicant can collect details of application documents starting from the date advertised from Addis Ababa, Jijiga, Dire Dawa and Semera Offices listed below; or can find on [**www.mercycorps.org/tenders**](http://www.mercycorps.org/tenders)
* Expression of interest (proposal) that contains both technical and financial proposal as per the format provided in the call for application shall be submitted in a sealed envelope to the below Mercy corps offices:
* **Addis Ababa** office located Yeka Sub-City, Kebele 08, House No. 377; Hayahulet,

 Tel. +251- 111110777, P. O. Box 14319

* **Jijiga office**: Kebele 06, House No.2079, Tel.No.+251-25-775-7477, P.O.Box :225

**Dire Dawa**, Kebele 02, House No.509, Tel.No.+251-25-113-1220/21, P.O.Box: 974

* **Semera**: CARE field office, Tell: 03-33660114

OR by **tenders@mercycorps.org**

* Deadline for submission **August 23 2021** 10:00AM and the proposals received after this date may not be considered.
* Financial proposal should be in birr that indicates total amount of investment, expected contribution from Mercy Corps and own source.
* Mercy Corps reserves the right to reject the bid fully or partially;