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Fellowship Award for International One Year Masters

The National Information Platform for Nutrition (NIPN), FOOD/2017/392-492, funded by the European Union, is a collaboration of Government of Bangladesh and International non-governmental partners led by Helen Keller International and supported by Bangladesh Institute for Development Studies. It is being managed with the support and participation of key governmental institutions: the Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics, the General Economics Division, the Food Planning and Monitoring Unit, the Institute of Public Health and Nutrition, and the Bangladesh National Nutrition Council.

NIPN has been planned as a four-year project, which officially commenced in January 2018. The overall objective of the NIPN is to contribute to the reduction of stunted children in Bangladesh in alignment with WHA 2025 targets. This is being pursued through establishing an inter-agency information and analysis platform for nutrition, strengthening the Government's capacity to monitor progress towards undernutrition reduction, and facilitating implementation of evidence-based policies and programs.

Under its capacity strengthening agenda, there are provisions for a few fellowships for one year international Master program (Fall 2020) in NIPN interest areas such as statistics/biostatistics/data science, epidemiology, public health, demography and public policy (focusing on nutrition & public health) at universities (list enclosed with this circular) in the UK and EU countries. These fellowship will be awarded to the officers of Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics, Statistics and Informatics Division; General Economic Division, Planning Commission; Institute of Public Health and Nutrition and Bangladesh National Nutrition Council, Health Services Division; Ministry of Agriculture; and Food Planning and Monitoring Unit, Ministry of Food.

Officials who are interested as well as concerned with the NIPN process of the above Ministries/Agencies are requested to apply for the said fellowship to the Technical Director, NIPN, email: MRTalukder@hki.org and Operations Director, NIPN, email: msiddiqua@hki.org or by person within 5.00 p.m. 31 March 2020 keeping their employer informed. The conditions for application and university list are enclosed with this circular. Application form, guidelines and other information for fellowship are available in the NIPN office, Level – 5, Demography and Health Wing, Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics, Parishankhan Bhaban E-27/A, Agargaon, Dhaka or the same may be requested through email above.

Yours Sincerely

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