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Permanent Secretaries, Heads of Department and Chief Executive Officers are asked to invite applications from suitably qualified officers in their Ministries/Departments/Agencies to fill the **vacant** post of **Food Storage Scientist (SOG/ST 6)** in the **Ministry of Industry, Investment and Commerce**, salary range \$1,656,124 - \$1,968,611 per annum and any allowance(s) attached to the post.

Job Purpose

Under the direction of the Senior Food Storage Scientist in the Pesticide Residue and Mycotoxin Unit, the Food Storage Scientist (SOG/ST 6) assists with the development of and management of a programme to monitor and test food/feed for mycotoxins, pesticide residues, or other chemical contaminants of importance in food.

Key Responsibilities

- Conducts workshops and seminars when deemed necessary to promote the management and control of mycotoxins and pesticide residues;
- Carries out accurate analyses of food/feed samples using appropriate techniques according to internationally accepted standards;
- Carries out islandwide Monitoring Programme for fruits and vegetables. Carries out surveillance and regulatory functions to prevent the sale of contaminated food;
- Identifies chemicals that have a great potential for contamination of food/feed;
- Gives advice on issues concerning the standards existing in the developed countries to which our exports are sent and with which we need to comply;
- Makes field visits to advise food/feed producers on matters relating to mycotoxins and pesticide residues and to collect sample;
- Generates/prepares analyses reports;
- Prepares reports on field visits;
- Prepares Monthly Productivity Reports;
- Attends meetings with stakeholders;
- Assists in training programme for stakeholders;
- Participates in Internal Audits;
- Edits documents for Quality Management System;
- Attends agricultural and other related expositions;
- Carries out collaborative testing with the Organization when necessary;
- Assists in research projects in the field of mycotoxins and pesticide residues;
- Participates in particular aspects of the training of new technical staff and in particular, the Assistant Food Storage Scientist.

Required Knowledge, Skills and Competencies

- Customer and quality focused
- Good knowledge of chemistry
- Ability to work in a team
- Good oral and written communication skills.
- Good interpersonal skills.
- Good judgement and analytical skills.
- Good knowledge of ISO/IEC 17025 and ISO 9001 standards
- Knowledge of relevant Codex standards
- Computer literacy

Minimum Required Education and Experience

- Bachelor of Science – Chemistry or Biochemistry
- Two years' related experience.

Special Conditions Associated with the Job

- Does field work.
- Works overtime and on weekends.
- Works with potentially hazardous chemicals.

Applications accompanied by résumés should be submitted **no later than Monday, 21st March, 2022 to:**

Director, Human Resource Management and Development
Ministry of Industry, Investment & Commerce
4 St. Lucia Avenue
Kingston 5

Email: hrm@miic.gov.jm

Please note that only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

Please ensure that a copy of this circular is placed at a strategic position on the Notice Board of the Ministry/Department/Agency and brought to the attention of all eligible officers.



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