FUNCTION:

Responsible for assisting with the implementation of CARDI’s agricultural Research and Development programmes and policies and providing technical assistance to practitioners engaged in agricultural activities.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Visits and advises on the treatment of problems in crop and animal husbandry in accordance with specified policy and refers difficult problems to Scientist.

Organises and participates in demonstrations to disseminate agricultural information to farmers and community groups, as well as undertakes field trips and demonstrations at farms, field stations and breeding units.

Investigates reports of agricultural diseases and pests and supervises pest management operations.

Assists with research programmes and experiments as directed by Scientists.

Liaises with relevant Government Agencies to resolve problems related to agriculture.

Records field data on plant and animal treatments, experimental conditions, input data into computer and examines and maintains relevant instruments and equipment as required.

Operates a motor vehicle and other machinery in the discharge of duties and may be required to maintain, check and repair minor breakdowns.

The above responsibility statements identify specific duties necessary to attain CARDI’s overall objectives while not precluding the job holder from carrying out other related activities that may be inherent in the job.

REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS : Executive Director/CARDI Representative/Scientists
PRINCIPAL ORGANISATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS:

**Internal**: All departments within the Organisation

**External**: Business organizations and agencies associated with CARDI.

QUALIFICATIONS:  
CXC/GCE A level, at least one in a science subject; Certificate/Diploma in Agriculture. Certificate in vehicle maintenance would be an asset. Computer literacy is an asset.

EXPERIENCE:  
Skilled vocational worker requiring up to four years experience in the field of agriculture to provide technical assistance to Professionals engaged in research and development activities.

Signature of Employee: …………………………………………… Date: ………………………

Signature of Manager/Supervisor: …………………………… Date: ………………………