



Vacancy Advertisement

RESEARCH FIELD SUPERVISORS

The Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR) is implementing the **BT Maize Project** aimed at advancing agricultural innovations and sustainability in Malawi. The Project is looking for **3 Research Field Supervisors** to be stationed in Zomba, Salima and Mangochi respectively. Recent graduates are strongly encouraged to apply.

Specific Duties and Responsibilities

- **Field Operations Management:** Supervise day-to-day field activities, including land preparation, planting, irrigation, pest control, and harvesting of BT Maize.
- **Team Supervision:** Manage and coordinate field workers, ensuring tasks are completed efficiently and according to protocol.
- **Data Collection and Reporting:** Oversee the accurate collection of field data, including crop performance, pest infestation, and environmental conditions.
- **Quality Assurance:** Ensure all field activities adhere to research protocols, biosafety standards, and project objectives.
- **Training and Mentorship:** Train field staff on best practices in handling BT GMO maize and data recording.
- **Logistics Coordination:** Manage field logistics, such as procurement of inputs, allocation of tools, and transport arrangements.
- **Pest and Weed Monitoring:** Monitor pest and weed activity, implementing control measures and maintaining detailed records.
- **Equipment Maintenance:** Ensure proper handling, storage, and maintenance of field equipment and tools.
- **Compliance Oversight:** Ensure all field trials comply with GMO regulatory and environmental guidelines.
- **Communication:** Report field updates, challenges, and recommendations to the Trial Manager.

Qualifications, Experience, and Attributes

- At least a Diploma in Biotechnology.
- Excellent communication, teamwork, and problem-solving skills.
- Practical experience in agricultural field trials, research, or related activities.
- Experience in managing large-scale trials and supervising technical teams.
- Experience in planting, monitoring, and harvesting research trials.
- Familiarity with data collection, management, and analysis tools relevant to agricultural research.
- Experience in working with genetically modified crops or BT Maize is desirable.

Terms and Conditions of Engagement

All successful candidates will be engaged and remunerated in line with BT Maize Project Terms and Conditions.

Mode of Application

Electronic copy application package should include an up-to-date Curriculum Vitae (CV), names and contact details of three traceable referees one of which should be of a current employer where applicable plus copies of certified academic and professional qualifications. The title of the position must be indicated on the envelope and sent to:

**The University Registrar
Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources(LUANAR)
P.O. Box 219
LILONGWE**

All applications should reach the UNIVERSITY no later than Sunday, 3rd August, 2025. Only shortlisted candidates will be acknowledged.

LUANAR is an equal-opportunity employer and strongly encourages applications from qualified candidates from diverse backgrounds. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews