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Project T . t  
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Republic of Tanzania  
JOB DESCRIPTION -  
POST TITLE: Consultant in Development of Rural Blacksmiths  
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at a later stage  
DLTS QUIRED: April 1979  
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Dar-eSeSalaam with extensive travel in up-countny  
Tanzania  
PURPOSE OF \_ . .  
PROJECT: To assist ana advise existing groups of local  
blacksmiths scattered throughout the country on  
how to improve the quality of their workmanship  
ani increase their production of agricultural  
hani tools.  
,DUTIES: - Advise the Government of Tanzania on correct  
- strategies for deveIOping rural blacksmith groups.  
- Analyzthhe data collected by the Blacksmithing  
Adviser and suggest ways and means by which the  
Government may further'assist and promote the  
productivity of rural blacksmiths. '  
- Evaluate the overa ll effectiveness of the project  
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technical anvice etc.  
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n; 5, vaupyly of raw materials,  
- Prepare a report outlining the above and recommending  
future policies that shouli be taken by the Government  
for encouraging rural smithing gctivities.

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Degree in; social sciences; Economics/Rural  
Sociology or Industrial Engineering. It is -  
essential to have had some experience in dealing  
with the problems encountered by rural-blacksmiths &  
in developing countries.

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As a result of free importation of agricultural  
implements during the colonial period in Tanzania  
the position of the rural blacksmith who until  
that time produced all hand tools, became extremely  
tenuous. Faced with a superior product with which  
he could not compete, many of the blacksmiths gave up  
their profession or changed their line of production.  
Today the Government of Tanzania is recognizing  
that those blacksmiths who remain active are  
potentially a great source of production for rural  
farm implements. '

The aim of this project is to revitalize the rural  
blacksmithing groups in order to . '

a) increase rural employment,

b) develop skills in rural areas,

c) increase the decentralization of the manufacture  
of agricultural tools,

d) increase rural productivity.

The expert will work out of the Headquarters of  
SIDO in Dar-es-Salaam and will advise the Government  
on correct extension to be given to rural black-  
smiths to achieve the above objectives.