Name of post: Research Associate (Pulses) (SPPS-IV)

SPPS Pay Scale Remuneration: Up to Rs. 0.5 million (all inclusive)

**Durations:** 02 Years

## **Job Description**

The identified challenge in pulse's production in Pakistan in the need for import substitution, amounting to US\$0.75 billion. To address this, a specialist needs to be hired from the open market. The specialist's duties and job description may include:

- 1. **Market Research:** Analyzing the pulse market in Pakistan and identifying opportunities for import substitution.
- 2. **Supply Chain Management:** Developing and managing a local supply chain for pulse production, including sourcing raw materials, logistics, distribution.
- 3. **Technology adoption:** Introducing and implementing modern farming techniques and technologies to improve pulse yields and quality.
- 4. **Government Liaison:** Engaging with government authorities to navigate regulatory hurdles, access incentive, and ensure compliance with import substitution policies.
- 5. **Cost Management:** Implementing cost effective strategies to compete with imported pulses, including optimizing production processes and reducing overhead costs.
- 6. **Quality Assurance:** Establishing quality control measures to ensure that locally produced pulses meet international standards and consumer expectations.
- 7. **Training and Development:** Providing training and support to local farmers and workers to enhance their skills and productivity in pulse production.
- 8. **Market Development:** Developing marketing strategies to promote locally produced pulses and increase consumer awareness and demand.
- 9. **Financial Management:** Budgeting and financial planning to ensure the sustainability and profitability of pulse production operations.
- 10. **Continuous Improvement:** Monitoring performance metrics and implementing continuous improvement initiatives to enhance efficiency and competitiveness in the pulse market.