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NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR CONTRACTUAL RECRUITMENT

Selection for the Position of Chief Technology Officer (CTO) at the Artificial Intelligence & Agri-Tech Innovation Centre (AIAIC), Mumbai

The AI and AgriTech Innovation Centre (AIAIC) under the Department of Agriculture, Government of Maharashtra, invites applications from dynamic, visionary, and high-performing technology leaders for the position of **Chief Technology Officer (CTO)**.

1. POSITION OVERVIEW

- **Position:** Chief Technology Officer (CTO) & Technical Head of the State Agriculture Department
- **No. of Vacancies:** 01 (One)
- **Location:** Mumbai
- **Reporting To:** Managing Director, AI and AgriTech Innovation Centre (AIAIC)
- **Tenure / Contract Period:** 3 years, extendable by up to 2 years subject to satisfactory annual performance assessment and approval of the competent authority.
- **Annual Compensation (CTC):** Up to INR 60 Lakhs per annum
- **Age Limit:** Preferably not exceeding 50 years (relaxation at the discretion of the competent authority in exceptional cases).

2. ROLE SUMMARY & SCOPE

The Chief Technology Officer (CTO) will serve as the **Technical Head of the State Agriculture Department** for all IT, digital, data, and AI initiatives across its administrative units, programmes, and schemes. Positioned within AIAIC, the CTO will lead the technology roadmap, enterprise architecture, cybersecurity, and engineering standards under the **Maha Agri-AI Policy 2025–2029**.

3. KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Department-Wide Technology Leadership:** Define multi-year technology roadmaps, lead application modernization, and align IT priorities with the Maha Agri-AI Policy 2025–2029.

- **AIAIC Platform Leadership:** Establish AIAIC as the Department's technology and AI capability centre across application engineering, AI/ML, cloud, DevSecOps, and data platforms.
- **Enterprise Architecture & Governance:** Lead solution architecture, enforce standards for security, APIs, cloud, and AI/ML, and govern technology investments.
- **Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI):** Direct core platforms including **MahaVISTAAR**, **Maharashtra Agriculture Data Exchange (MahaAgX)**, **AI Sandbox**, and the **Traceability Platform** using open, interoperable standards.
- **AI/ML & Emerging Tech:** Drive MLOps/LLMOps pipelines, model registries, and responsible AI governance for departmental deployment.
- **Cloud & Operations:** Manage hybrid/cloud architectures, disaster recovery, business continuity, and FinOps cost optimization.
- **Data & Cybersecurity Governance:** Establish enterprise data standards, privacy controls, identity/access management, and cybersecurity resilience.
- **Procurement & Vendor Oversight:** Lead technical evaluations, RFPs, SoWs, SLAs, and governance of System Integrators and Managed Service Providers.
- **Team & Ecosystem Building:** Build and mentor multidisciplinary technical teams; partner with startups, academia, research bodies, and industry leaders.

4. QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE CRITERIA

Educational Qualification:

- **Mandatory:** Bachelor's or Master's degree in Engineering or Technology (preferably in Computer Science, Information Technology, E&TC, Electronics, or equivalent discipline) from a recognized university/institution.
- **Desirable:** Professional certifications in Cloud Infrastructure (AWS/Azure/GCP), Enterprise Architecture, Cybersecurity, Data Governance, Data Science, AI/ML, Information Systems, or AI Ethics.

Experience Requirements:

- **Overall Experience:** Minimum **13 years** of professional experience in technology.
- **Leadership Experience:** At least **8 years** in senior technology leadership roles covering enterprise architecture, digital platforms, AI/ML, cloud infrastructure, or large-scale transformation.
- **Domain Expertise:** Proven track record in architecting/governing large-scale digital platforms or government IT ecosystems.
- **Desirable Experience:** Experience with Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI), vendor/SI management, technology procurement (RFPs/SOWs), cybersecurity compliance, MLOps/LLMOps, and cloud-native software engineering.

5. SELECTION PROCEDURE

- **Selection Method:** Selection / Nomination in consultation with a duly constituted Selection Committee and as per applicable rules and approvals of the competent authority.
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited for personal interactions/interviews.

6. HOW TO APPLY & DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

Eligible and interested candidates must submit their applications online through the official link:

Click to apply - <https://shorturl.at/GPu5z>

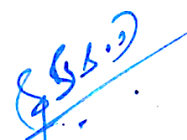
Required Submissions:

1. Complete Curriculum Vitae (CV) detailing educational qualifications and professional experience.
2. Relevant Experience Certificates.
3. Last Compensation / Salary Certificate.

7. IMPORTANT DATES

Activity	Date
Notification Date	September 22, 2026
Last Date for Application Submission	October 18, 2026

Note: The Government reserves the right to accept or reject any application without assigning any reason



Managing Director

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