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Deputy Project Manager (Law Enforcement)

Okomu National Park (ONP) is located in Edo State, Nigeria and harbours a huge diversity of wildlife, but is threatened by illegal logging, farm encroachment, and hunting for bush meat. Africa Nature Investors (ANI) Foundation is a Nigerian NGO established to demonstrate that private sector investment can make the protection of nature profitable. Okomu is ANI's second project after establishing a successful conservation project in Gashaka Gumti National Park in Taraba and Adamawa states. We signed an agreement with the National Park Service (Pks) establishing a Private-Public Partnership (PPP) co-management model for Okomu National Park.

A key activity of the project is strengthening law enforcement capacity to protect the park's wildlife and ecosystems. Rangers are central to this effort, but they need effective leadership, training, and operational support to perform their duties safely and professionally. We are looking for a Deputy Project Manager (Law Enforcement) to oversee and support the implementation of all law enforcement operations in and around the park.

SPECIFICATIONS

Qualifications:

- At least a bachelor's degree in a relevant subject.

Skills and Experience:

- At least 7 years of hands-on working experience managing and supporting field rangers, law enforcement units, or security personnel, preferably in a conservation or protected area context.
- Strong background in paramilitary, law enforcement, or military operations, with demonstrated leadership in the field.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to lead, mentor, and motivate ranger teams.
- Proven ability in operational planning, patrol coordination, and use of enforcement tools (e.g., GPS, SMART, radio communications).
- Fluent in spoken and written English; knowledge of local languages is an advantage.
- Physically fit and able to operate in remote and challenging environments.
- Competent in basic computer applications (Word, Excel, outlook).
- Holding certificates such as *Basic Field Ranger* and/or *Patrol Leader* training from an internationally recognized Field Ranger Training Organization will be an added advantage.



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RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Deputy Project Manager (Law enforcement) will work closely with the Project Manager to:

- Supervise, mentor, and provide capacity-building for ranger teams.
- Coordinate daily law enforcement operations, including patrol planning, intelligence gathering, and monitoring.
- Ensure the effective use of technology and data for enforcement (SMART, GPS, communications systems, etc.).
- Strengthen collaboration with NPS, local law enforcement agencies and relevant government bodies.
- Ensure compliance with park policies, legal frameworks, and safety standards.
- Contribute to strategy development, reporting, and adaptive management of enforcement activities.

The ideal candidate will have:

- Strong background in law enforcement, security management, or natural resource protection.
- Proven leadership and team management experience, preferably in challenging environments.
- Experience working with rangers, security forces, or conservation law enforcement.
- Excellent communication and problem-solving skills.
- Commitment to conservation, integrity, and professionalism.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS: This is a two-year posting in Nigeria with options for renewals. You will be based in ANI Arakhuan Outpost Okomu National Park, Edo State and report directly to the Project Manager. You will work closely with the NPS Operations Manager, ANI management team and training organizations.

CONTACT DETAILS: Please send a CV with full biodata and a covering letter to recruitment@ani-nigeria.org and copy pa@ani-nigeria.org

Application deadline: 31st October 2025.