**Feed the Future Legume Innovation Lab**

**PROPOSAL TO STRENGTHEN HOST COUNTRY INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY**

**FY 2014**

**Host Country Institution:**

**Host Country PI:**

**Full Address:**

**Phone:**

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**Email**:

**Lead U.S. PI:**

**University of Lead PI:**

1. **Justification:** (*Describe the Host Country (HC) institutional need and explain how enhanced capacity in this area will strategically enable the institution to more effectively achieve its research, teaching and/or outreach objectives and thus effectively and sustainably address the challenges facing the grain legume sectors and contribute to economic growth and food security in the respective country and region.*)
2. **Proposed Activity:** *(Identify and describe the proposed activity/equipment that will enhance the institution’s capacity.)*
3. **Innovation/Cutting Edge:** *(Explain how the proposed activity/equipment incorporates innovative training activities targeted toward critical individuals/groups or positions the HC institution to utilize cutting-edge research technologies or program management skills in accord with the “Priorities for Funding” outlined in the RFP.)*
4. **Relationship to Legume Innovation Lab Projects: *(****Explain how the proposed institutional capacity building investment will (1) directly contribute to achievement of current and/or possible future Legume Innovation Lab project objectives, and will (2) ultimately benefit subsectors (e.g., resource poor farmers, grain traders, food processors, consumers, etc.) associated with bean, cowpea and related grain legume value chains within Host Countries or other USAID priority countries.)*
5. **Gender Equity:** *(Explain how this activity or equipment will contribute to greater gender equity, including professional opportunities, access to technology, and improvement of the livelihoods of women.)*
6. **Time Frame for Implementation:** *(Present a projected timeline for the conduct of the activity or purchase of the proposed equipment. These funds must be expended before September 30, 2015.)*
7. **Budget: *(****Present an itemized budget for the institutional capacity building activity. Please remember to include both direct and indirect costs to be charged by the U.S. and/or HC institution. Cost share by the Host Country institution is encouraged, as it gives evidence of institutional support for the proposed activity. For equipment purchases, identify and justify source and origin if other than the U.S., and include costs associated with shipment if appropriate.)*

**Host Country PI or Institutional Representative**

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**U.S. University Lead PI**

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