

Call for Proposal

Conducting Market and Labour Assessment For the GBV Integrated Wash Emergency Response to IDPs in provinces of Kunduz and Badakhshan Project

Grant	SP- MFA
Thematic area(s)	GBV/WASH in Emergency
Location	Badakhshan and Kunduz Provinces
Time Frame	
Tentative Start date	
Steering Group Members (including chairperson)	NCA, AWEC and AWSDC Staff
Budget	USD....

INTRODUCTION:

Consulting firms/individual consultants are invited to submit a proposal for market and labour assessment in the target areas to analysis the market approaching and techniques for the survivors to purchase required raw materials and sell the products

BACKGROUND:

NCA, AWEC and AWSDC signed a partnership agreement on August 10, 2020 for an emergency response project in provinces of Badakhshan and Kunduz. The response aims to save lives, alleviate poverty and protect human dignity by, by providing integrated multi-sector emergency response to IDPs affected by conflict and natural disasters. Around 23,620 people will receive humanitarian assistance through nutrition-sensitive WASH services and protection against SGBV. The protection component provides case management and psychosocial support to women and girls and raises awareness issues related to safety and laws and regulations that safeguard women and girls. It will support survivor women and girls to economically support and empower themselves. The proposed integrated modalities address the acute needs of the target population in a rights-holder-centric response. The response will work with host and IDP communities, ensuring equal participation and non-discrimination. Target groups will be actively involved in implementation, incorporating a Do No Harm (DNH) and a rights-based approach. Adherence to humanitarian principles, women's rights and gender equality will be mainstreamed throughout the project.

PROJECT OUTCOMES:

The project entails two major outcomes, outcome 1 is more focussed on provision of wash services to IDPs (Men, Women, Boys and Girls), while outcome 2 is more focusing on provision of protection and support services to GBV survivors in Badakhshan and Kunduz project.

Outcome 1: 20,000 beneficiaries will benefit from WASH services. Water schemes will be built in target locations and toolkits will be given to trained care takers for maintenance and repair of water schemes. WASH/Protection Committees (30% to 50% women) will manage water

schemes and sanitation facilities. Semi-permanent sanitation facilities will be built at the household level. Positive hygiene behaviours (handwashing with soap/ashat critical times, food preparation and preservation, MHM, and safe water storage) will be promoted through awareness raising. Hygiene (and MHM) kits will be distributed, in addition to other NFIs. Moreover, hygiene promotion campaigns will incorporate specialised focus on maternal and child nutrition measures by undertaking MUAC screening of PLWs and children under five. Medical treatment for deworming will be given to screened 6,000 PLW, girls and boys, including children under five.

Outcome 2: 4,684 female beneficiaries will receive quality survivor-centred services focused on recovery and reintegration, whereas 9,000 will be reached through awareness raising against SGBV. NCA will seek to strengthen referral pathways, especially to health care facilities for timely clinical management of rape (CMR) services. Health care providers will receive training on survivor-centred CMR, and NCA will support health facilities to adhere to set protocols. Psychosocial support will be given to help survivors towards a path of recovery. Five Protection Committees will be established in the target areas, and members (including religious leaders) will be trained to expedite follow-up of SGBV cases to the appropriate services. Moreover, 30 survivors of GBV will be trained on technical vocational training to economically support themselves and their families. They will be provided tool kits and raw materials to learn market-oriented skills to be self-sufficient and economically empowered.

PURPOSE OF THE ASSIGNMENT:

AWEC is seeking a consultant to conduct a market and labour assessment in the target areas to analyse the market approaching and techniques for the survivors to purchase required raw materials and sell the products both in Badakhshan and Kunduz provinces.

1. Expected Deliverables:

- 1.1. Clear picture of demand for handicrafts and homemade products in the market of Badakhshan and Kunduz province
- 1.2. Current trend of vocational skills in the target provinces and possible areas of intervention and investment
- 1.3. SWOT analysis of the market for economic empowerment of women and girls in terms of product selling and purchasing raw materials
- 1.4. Societal and environmental constraints and opportunities for women and girls for self-efficiency and empowerment
- 1.5. Best approaches for market boosting and producer and customer relations in the target areas' markets
- 1.6. Assess and identify existing and potential marketable opportunities for vocational skills within target provinces, targeting various sectors of the economy.
- 1.7. Review the existing labour dynamics including regulatory frameworks and procedures and document enabling and disabling factors and how these can be harnessed or strengthened to enhance employability of vocational skills trainees
- 1.8. Document strategies and criteria for targeting beneficiaries for training in each of the identified skills and how the opportunities can be exploited for maximum economic gain of the beneficiaries
- 1.9. Map the government of Afghanistan's overall approach, policy and strategy towards

vocational skills training in both rural and urban areas

2. Expected Outcome:

- 2.1 A comprehensive report indicating significant findings, risks, challenges, and recommendation for vocational training program in the target locations of the project. It should also indicate monitoring and evaluation framework for operating in the market, market dynamics, effectiveness and efficiency for better production and delivery, and sustainability plan for the small scale businesses of women and girls.
- 2.2 A SWOT analysis matrix that reflect the clear picture of market for women and girls in the target provinces to pave the way for the selling and purchases.
- 2.3 A complete set of data collected during end line survey
- 2.4 A presentation of the final report to NCA and AWEC

3. METHODOLOGY

The hired external consultant is to propose a robust methodology for the evaluation. NCA has a strong preference for both qualitative and quantitative methods. Participatory methods are encouraged to be applied (please consider COVID-19) In order to avoid the risk of infection of consultant, project staff and community members who will be involved in the process and in the interviews, the consultant should consider and follow the COVID-19 Thematic Guidance for Adapting NCA's Global Programme and strategic initiatives. consultant team should strictly consider and follow the MoPH mitigation instructions/guidelines on COVID19 pandemic Furthermore, the consultant should prepare an inception report prior to the commencement of the field work. The inception report should present the proposed survey/assessment methodology, instruments that will be used for data collection, and an assessment timetable.

NCA, partner and . The COVID-19 guidance will be thought to NCA, partner and consultant staff to help them not to infect during the endline survey cycle.

Minimum requirements under deliverables are as follows:

1. The consultant or the consultancy budget should be within the existing frames
2. Inception report including detailed description of methodology, as highlighted in section 3. The inception report will detail the assessment methodologies, as well as tasks and responsibilities within the team. It will describe constraints and present strategies to mitigate risks and overcome challenges. Refining assessment questions as needed be and outlining correlations with methods. Similarly, it will include a list of stakeholders and key informants to be interviewed or surveyed, depending upon the methodology chosen.
3. Presentation of draft assessment report with focus on findings and analysis of key findings
4. Share draft of the assessment report.
5. Assessment report.
6. Recommendations in relation to finding and analysis

The draft and assessment reports need, as a minimum, to contain the following components:

The assessment will result in an English report maximum 20 pages (one-page recommendations, 2 pages

executive summary and maximum 17 pages presentation of the findings, lessons learned – outlining the overall of the assessment methods as well, their appropriateness and assessment constraints faced, if any). The annexes should contain any literature consulted, data collection instruments, the ToR, list of interviewees and any additional information required. Prior to finalizing the assessment report, the consultant will submit a draft to AWEC/NCA for comments and inputs.

- Assessment background
- Deviations from ToR and/or inception report.
- Disaggregated data by gender and age
- Brief analysis of interesting findings
- Lessons learned from data collection
- Link to raw data

Annex 1 - Description and approach of assessment (method(s), sampling framework etc.)

Annex 2 – Data collection tools used

Annex 3 – Full ToR

LOCATION

Badakhshan (Baharak, Jurm and Faizabad); Kunduz Province (Kunduz City)

QUALIFICATION AND REQUIREMENTS:

- The consultant must have experience of working with international organizations
- The consulting must have a bank account in country
- The consultant is required to propose a technical team with strong professional experience to carry out the assignment
- The consultant must provide a narrative approach and a realistic plan including a realistic time for accomplishment of the assignment
- The consultant is requested to submit a cost proposal including cost breakdown sheet and a narrative description of their cost
- The consultant shall have knowledge and familiarity with Afghanistan context
- Very good experience in TVET sector
- Experience in participatory methods that includes right holders
- Extensive knowledge in market and market dynamics
- Excellent analytical, communication and report writing skills

INSTRUCTION FOR SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL:

- All proposals must be written in English
- The proposal must be submitted in two volumes technical proposal and financial proposal
- The technical proposal must include, relevant experience (at least three similar projects must be submitted under this section with similar complexity and scope), a narrative approach, resume of the key personnel and a plan for accomplishing the assignment
- Supporting documents for relevant experience including experience letters and recommendations

TIMEFRAME

No	Date	Activity Description
1	June 04, 2021	Submission of Proposal/ expression of interest, budget and CV
2	June 09, 2021	Selection and informing the eligible consultant
3	June 13, 2021	Inception Report, Desk review, tools development
4	From June 14, 2021 to June 24, 2021	Data collection Analysis and draft of assessment report
4	July 01, 2021	Draft version reviewed and commented by AWSDC, AWEC and NCA
5	July 08, 2021	Submission of the final report
	Total Working Days??	30 days

Deadline for Submission of the proposal: June 04, 2020 3:00 PM

The proposal submission later than this date and time will not be considered for further evaluation. The shortlisted candidate will be called for an interview. Though the lowest price and technical acceptable principle is applicable but proposals with best value factor will be preferred.

1. Submission and evaluation of proposals

Please submit your application to the below email address:

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