

IMPROVED ACCESS TO FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOOD OPPORTUNITIES OF IDPS AND HOST COMMUNITIES IN NASIR AND ULANG COUNTIES OF UPPERNILE STATE

Terms of Reference for Consultant

Proposal Development

May, 2018

1.0 Background information and context

1.1 Programme description

Introduction: With funding from BMZ through ADRA Germany, ADRA South Sudan is at the tail end of implementing a 2 year Food Security and Livelihood Project code named "Improved Access to food security and Livelihood opportunities of IDPs and Host communities" in the Nasir and Ulang Counties of Upper Nile. The project seeks to improve livelihoods and ensure food security of IDPs and host communities in Nasir and Ulang Counties. It was aimed at enabling vulnerable populations' increase access to agricultural inputs (essential seeds, farming tools, and fishing gear) as a start-up package to restore production potential lost due to the ongoing conflict. The project also aimed at enhancing knowledge and skills about sustainable crop production, animal husbandry and fisheries that will ensure continuous production to reduce food insecurity and malnutrition. Mindful of the limited livelihood opportunities in a conflict situation, the project aimed to provide fishing gear to enable beneficiaries engage in fishing while promoting other economic/livelihood activities to revamp the market that has been dysfunctional. By combining these actions, the project aimed at contributing towards reducing malnutrition, increasing food security, reducing exposure to violence while improving the social, natural, and financial capital within the target area.

During the course of the project, supplementary funding was received through ADRA Czech to cover a number of activities that were designed to add value to the project but not covered under the BMZ funding. These activities included the training of TOTs on fish preservation, and construction of smoking kilns to add value to the harvested fish, the distribution of assorted fruit tree seedlings and vegetable and maize seeds to beneficiaries to increase food diversity, training on post-harvest handling to decrease post-harvest losses,

establish and support veterinary shops to ensure availability of animal drugs within the communities.

Whereas this project will terminate at the end of June 2018, ADRA South Sudan is desirous of developing a follow on project to consolidate the achievements so far made as well as continue to cover gaps and offer relevant services within the target area.

1.2 Objectives of the consultancy

The main objective of this consultancy is to design a proposal for a second phase of the FSL project consolidating the results so far achieved through the first phase of the project taking into account the lessons learnt, the good practices established, what has gone well and can be replicated targeting the same region.

2.0 Methodology

The consultant shall conduct a desk review of the assessment reports, progress reports, final report as well as final evaluation reports to collect information on what worked well, lessons learnt and best practices that can be built into the proposal. The consultant will also conduct research to find out up to date data that shall be quoted and further inform the design and relevant activities of the project. The consultant will also hold interviews with ADRA staff, other organisations or stakeholders like government ministries or the FSL cluster as might be necessary.

3.0 Specific Tasks for Consultant

- Do a desk review of all relevant project as well as policy documents
- Do relevant research on current data and information on FSL
- Take overall responsibility for the fulfilment of the Terms of Reference.
- Share a comprehensive proposal development plan and time line.
- Compile a draft proposal for review
- Present the draft proposal document to the ADRA south Sudan programs team for review.
- Prepare and present the final proposal document taking into account ADRA South Sudan programme team comments.

3.1 Expected Outputs

The main outputs of this consultancy shall be:

- A complete draft proposal including a budget presented in the right format with all the relevant attachments as per targeted donor requirements.
- A presentation of the draft proposal document to ADRA South Sudan for review
- A final proposal document incorporating comments/feedback from ADRA South Sudan.

4.0 Consultant person specification

- Excellent knowledge in food security issues, and specifically, agro-pastoral livelihood systems, and VSLA/Business Development as well as markets and market revitalisation and community engagement.
- Experience in designing proposals for food security in conflict affected and emergency contexts.
- Knowledge of research approaches in development.
- Knowledge of South Sudan and the development/humanitarian context.
- Excellent writing and communication skills.
- Excellent analytical skills
- Ability to generate/develop comprehensive project budgets

5.0 Timeline

The proposal development process is likely to commence by the 4th day of June 2018 for a period of three weeks till 22nd day of June, 2018. The consultant will be expected to present a draft report by the 25th day of June 2018 and the final report by 2nd day of July, 2018.

6.0 Schedule of payment

The consultant will receive an initial payment of 40% of the total contract amount upon signing the contract. The contract amount shall exclude travel, accommodation and feeding costs which shall be covered by ADRA South Sudan. The consultant's fee shall however, be subject to withholding tax in accordance with the Labour laws of South Sudan. Final payment will be made upon satisfactory completion of work as per the TOR. In case, the consultant cannot provide the products in accordance with the TOR, the timeframe agreed, or if the products are not of the required standard and quality, the payment to the consultant could be withheld, until the product is modified to meet ADRA South Sudan standards. In the event that the consultant fails to submit a satisfactory final product to ADRA South Sudan, the product prepared by the consultant shall not constitute the proposal document and payment shall be withheld.

7.0 Contact for applications

Interested applicants should forward a technical and financial proposal, and CVs of consultant and team members - if applicable. Applications should be submitted to jobsadrass@gmail.com and the deadline for submission is the 25th day of May, 2018.


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