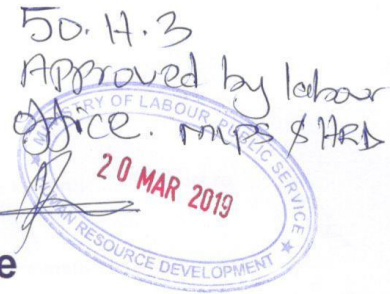




The Rescue Initiative South Sudan

TRI-SS



Position	MHM Consultant
Number of Posts	01
Duration of assignment	14 days
Opening date	20/03/2019
Closing date	10/04/2019

TERMS OF REFERENCE

BASELINE SURVEY: MENSTRUAL HYGIENE MANAGEMENT (MHM)

The Rescue Initiative-South Sudan (TRI-SS) invites suitable individual consultants to undertake a baseline survey on the Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) project. TRI-SS's Vision is 'to be a community oriented service delivery organization with a commitment of serving all vulnerable communities in South Sudan' and the mission; 'to create an enabling environment that reduces suffering among vulnerable communities in South Sudan as well as making them work to meet their own potential'.

Background

TRI-SS has received funding from AmplifyChange to implement a one-year menstrual hygiene management project. The project aims at increasing individual awareness and access to menstrual hygiene resources, information and services for young people and transforming social norms among communities in Yei River and Juba Counties, South Sudan. It targets girls of school going age, both in and out of school, people with disabilities, survivors of violence (both females and males) and people living with HIV and AIDS. Stakeholders of the project include; community leaders (chiefs, sub-chiefs, county commissioners, county relief and rehabilitation heads and traditional healers), civil society networks (South Sudan women's association, association of women living with HIV), young people (school children, school drop outs, Yei county football association), religious leaders (Muslim and Christian spiritual leaders), united nations population fund (UNFPA), ministry of health (MOH), ministry of education (MOE), school teachers (primary and secondary school), police and parents of school going children. The project targets both IDPs/Refugee/Asylum seekers and host community members. The project officially kicked off on March 1st, 2019 and will end by April 2nd, 2020.



Purpose of the assignment

The objective of the assignment is to gather relevant baseline data for the key project indicators to enable the:

- a) Analysis of target beneficiary knowledge, attitudes and practices regarding menstrual hygiene issues and their management.
- b) Dissemination of results to stakeholders (Government, NGOs, Donors) to support informed decision making.

Scope of the assessment

Geographical scope

Juba and Yei counties: Two Payams will be selected in each county.

Time scope

The survey is expected to last 14 days, with 7 days of field data collection/desk reviews including preparatory activities (field data collection planning, debriefing with the project management team/presentation of the inception report, selection and training of field data collectors, development, pre-testing and refining of data collection tools, presentation of field report) and 7 days for data entry, analysis and development of analysis report (draft and final report). The exercise is expected to commence on April 16th and end by April 30th, 2019.

Methodology

The consultant will be responsible for defining and carrying out the overall evaluation approach. This will include specification of the techniques for data collection and analysis, sampling strategy, structured field visits and, interactions with the targeted respondents. Generally, the survey is expected to use a mix of different methods for collection of data including; Interview Schedules, questionnaires, FGDs, KIIs, desk reviews, recordings and observations. The survey tools and methodology shall be reviewed by the TRI-SS project team and approved by the M&E/Project Manager. The consultant should be able to explain how each method will be used and the specific data each method will provide.

Primary data

Primary data will be collected using the approved methods. The following key stakeholders shall compose the study population:

- Health workers
- School teachers



- Girls and boys in primary and secondary schools
- Girls of school going-age
- Local community/traditional leaders
- State Ministry of Education and State Ministry of Health leaders
- Parents of school going children

Desk reviews

The consultant will be provided with all project documents (project proposal/list of indicators and the sources of information used for preparing the proposal) in order to carry out desk reviews and identify the key assessment issues.

Sampling strategy

The sampling strategy and sample size should take into consideration the total population of the target beneficiaries i.e. 5,000 individuals and the different characteristics/category of the beneficiaries with an acceptable margin of error. However, sampling strategies that minimize the likelihood of errors occurring are preferred. The consultant is expected to make detailed description of the sampling strategy including the sample size, sampling framework, formula for determining the sample size (with a description of the margin of error/confidence level) and a justification for the choice of the sampling strategy over others.

Expected outputs

The consultant is expected to present the following before, during and after field data collection.

- i. Field action plan/data collection plan
- ii. An SPSS or Excel generated dataset (database) used for generating the report
- iii. The draft report
- iv. Final report
- v. Data collection tools

Management and reporting

The consultant will report to the M&E/Research Manager during and after completion of field data collection. During field data collection, the consultant shall update the TRI-SS management team.



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