

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST  
(CONSULTING SERVICES-FIRMS)  
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THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN  
INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO GOOD GOVERNANCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING  
IN GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN EMPOWERMENT FOR INCLUSIVE  
GROWTH (GEEM-IG) PROJECT

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The Government of South Sudan has received financing from the African Development Fund toward the cost of the Institutional Support to Good Governance and Capacity Building in Gender Equality and Women Empowerment Project, and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this Grant to payments under the contract for the provision of Grant Management Services for Potential Women Entrepreneurs Groups.

The services involved under this consultancy include but not limited to managing the calls for proposal from the women entrepreneurs, communicating the results of the evaluation of the proposals to the national Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare, managing financial and skills literacy programs to the selected groups; monitoring and advising on the management of the implementation of the projects by the women entrepreneurs; and rendering narrative and financial reports to the Grant Management Office at the Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare in Juba.

The South Sudan Women Entrepreneurs Grant shall contribute to the overall objectives of the GEEM-IG Project to address poverty and inequality as a key driver to socio-economic fragility by strengthening efforts to empower women and increase their participation in economic activities.

The South Sudan Women Entrepreneurs Grant shall be established based on a Results-based management approach, and will set clear objectives and outcomes that focus on the results of the interventions on people and systems, as well as indicators with targets and baselines used to assess measurable progress towards desired results/impact.

Through the financing from African Development Bank, the Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare, intends to engage the services of an experienced consultancy NGO to manage a grant on its behalf in form of delivering supplies and equipment to eligible women entrepreneurs in four (4) locations (zones) of South Sudan. This will entail support to entities relevant for women's economic participation, which will build upon previous interventions by other partners such as World Bank which has previously provided some support that allowed Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare (GCSW) to disseminate grants to a number of women groups who started small businesses in all previous ten states. This grant will be managed through a call for proposals for women's entrepreneur organized groups which will also involve financial literacy and training programs for women groups in terms of capacity building and training in business skills and cottage industry development. The GTA will manage the process for the call for proposals in coordination with the national, state and local government levels. The grant management is expected to be managed and completed over a period of six (06) months, which will involve supervision by the national and state Ministries of Gender, Child and Social Welfare in the respective states.

The Ministry of Finance and Planning now invites eligible consultants(firms) to indicate their interest in providing these services in the following Zones grouped as follows:

1. Zone-1- Warrap State( Kwajok); and Tonj.
2. Zone 2- Bouna Administrative Area(Pibor) ; and Jonglei State(Bor).
3. Zone-3- Eastern Equatoria State(Kapoeta)
4. Zone-4- Rweng Administrative Area.

Interested consultants(NGO) are requested to apply for only one zone from the list above. They must demonstrate that they have operational presence and have been operating in the designated zone that they are expressing their interest(applying for) and must provide information indicating that they are indeed qualified to perform the key services listed in paragraph- 2 above and provide evidences of their previous undertakings ( brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification, and in this case they must indicate they are applying as joint-venture.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's "Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations, Dated October 2015", which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours between 08:30 AM and 05:00 PM East African Standard Time on working days. Expressions of interest must be delivered or e-mailed to the address below by 3rd July 2020 at 3:00 PM East African Standard Time and mention the subject"Grant Management Services for Potential Women Entrepreneurs Groups".and clearly state which zone they are applying for.

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**Important Note: Please not that the previous procurement process for this consultancy services has been cancelled. All applicants are therefore advised to freshly apply on the basis of this new arrangement.**

# Government warns of tighter lockdown measures



Closed shops on Luwum street on March 27 as a result of the lockdown

### Daily Monitor

The Ministry of Health has warned of tighter lockdown measures if the public continues to defy guidelines on social distancing and wearing of masks guidelines.

Dr Jane Ruth Aceng, the Minister of Health, told Daily Monitor on Wednesday that currently the country is entering stage three of the pandemic which is characterised by clusters of community infections.

"People are no longer following preventative measures. That means we may move into stage four. In such a situation to avoid mass deaths, it may be necessary to consider another lockdown," Dr Aceng said.

Dr Aceng said it was necessary at stage three to stop the spread of the disease beyond the infected clusters such as towns and slums as the government response team implements extensive containment measures.

"At stage one, there are no cases and the

aim is to prevent entry into the territory. The response is port entry controls, restricted travel from high-risk areas. Stage two is sporadic cases and the aim is to prevent local transmission to contacts. The response is containment measures put in place, identification and quarantine of suspects and cases," Dr Aceng said.

Over the past few days, government has urged the public to strictly follow preventative measures such as social distancing, wearing mask, and washing or sanitising hands.

However, some members of the public have refused to wear masks while others are wearing them the wrong way, claiming that they are uncomfortable.

Currently, the coronavirus has spread to atleast 35 districts with some community cases and other diseases truck drivers.

In March, President Museveni imposed a nationwide lockdown in a bid to combat further spread of the virus. However, government last month eased the lockdown.

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