**Terms of Reference for**

**Consultant to conduct study on effect of COVID-19 on nutritional situation in South Sudan**

**Organisation Overview:**

Founded in 1945, CARE International seeks a world of hope, tolerance and social justice, where poverty has been overcome and people living in dignity and security. Operating in more than 80 countries, CARE seeks to be a global force and partner of choice within a worldwide movement dedicated to ending poverty. CARE strives to serve individuals and families in the poorest communities in the world. CARE is committed to a multi-pronged programming approach, working alongside with governments and other actors to help save and improve lives.

CARE is a leading global humanitarian and development organization working over the past 70 years in over 80 countries. Since its establishment CARE South Sudan has been responding to major disasters and undertaking development projects. CARE South Sudan works through local partners and range of stakeholder for advocacy, development as well as emergency response which makes partnership a key component of CARE’s work in South Sudan. CASE SS has strategic focus on marginalized women as the primary impact group.

CARE has been called upon to support and Coordinate the formation and activities of a Coalition of Civil Society for Scaling up Nutrition (SUN) in South Sudan. The SUN civil Society Coalition is made up of National and International Governmental Organizations, Academia and other members of Civil Society whose objective is to raise the profile on Nutrition within and outside of South Sudan.

As the lead agency, CARE’s goal is to ensure that SUN Movement has the representational legitimacy and promote accountability from stakeholders and all players in protecting and ensuring nutrition issues are addressed

For this, SUN CSA through CARE seeks the service of a consultant for 10 days to provide Desk review research on the effect of COVID-19 the nutrition situation in South Sudan. This study will document the effect of COVID-19 on access to food and availability at the household level and subsequent effect on malnutrition. It is important as a lead nutrition advocacy platform, to document how the current COVID-19 Pandemic has affected the population using literature and any other sources of information. The study will inform CARE, SUN CSA, government and stakeholders in decision making. The study will also maximize nutrition stakeholder’s engagement who will help to shape nutrition sector landscape in South Sudan. We are seeking to develop the capacity of SUN CSA in making evidence based decision making and in COVID-19 Nutrition messaging

**Consultancy Objectives:**

The objectives of the consultancy will be:

* The consultant will design the research methodology
* Collect all the relevant documentation for the desk review
* Analyze the secondary data
* Conduct Key informant’s interviews
* Produce comprehensive research report

**Deliverables and timeline**

* Effect of COVID-19 on nutrition situation in South Sudan
* Presentation of the findings to stakeholders

The assignment should be completed **within 10 days Day in November 2020.**

**Cost of the study:** should be summarised as follows with a detailed breakdown attached

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| **No.** | **Details** | **Unit** |  **Rate (US$)** | **# of Units (Quantity)** | **Cost (US$)** |
| 1 | Consultant’s fees  | days | 150 | 10 | 1500 |
| 2 | Airtime and internet  | day | 5 | 10  | 50 |
| 3 | Accommodation  | Days  |  |  |  |
| 4 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total |  |  |  | **$1,550** |

1. ***Logistical Support***

Logistical support (access to official facilities including internet, documentation—printing, photocopying of tools etc.) will be provided by CARE

**Note:**

* The consultant is responsible to pay for any additional costs arising from personal negligence
* The payments will be in one instalment after the completion of the task and submission of final acceptable report to CARE
* Please note that any partial payment hold-back will be in effect until a final report has been approved by CARE.

**Reporting:**

The consultant will be working primarily with the Health and Health and Nutrition Manager (SUN Coordinator), Health and Nutrition Coordinator, ACD- Programs and Grants & Contracts manager.

**Essential Qualifications and experience Required:**

* Consultant should preferably be a holder of post graduate degree in field of health and nutrition
* Demonstrated experience of progressive in public health, nutrition and advocacy
* Experience in working with a multispectral project.
* Demonstrated ability to motivate, consultative forums and work with diverse groups.
* Experience and understanding of the South Sudan context is highly desirable.
* Strong reporting skills and leading of meetings with good and clear communication skills.

**Preferred**

* Previous history of doing similar role in a similar context.
* English report writing skills
* Action-oriented and evidence based approach and strong drive for results
* Highly developed self-management, and communication skills;
* South Sudanese national

**Guiding Principles and Values:**Adherence to CARE Code of conduct, Child Safeguarding practices and confidentiality when
interviewing or photographing children.

**Application process**Interested Parties are requested to submit a proposal explaining their comprehension of the proposed consultancy, and how they would approach this assignment with a summary of their methodology especially in terms of how the party plans to meet the objectives.

The application should include CVs of the persons to be involved in the assignment, relevant experience, a detailed budget in USD and time availability.

All proposals should be submitted by 29th Oct 2020 via email to the below contacts

By email to betty.gune@care.org, and copy to , kawa.tong@care.org , emmanuel.ojwang@care.org.