DCA Terms of Reference for Conflict sensitivity and environmental impact of the activities in the area of intervention

1. Background

DCA Emergency Assistance Programme has worked since 2011 to provide humanitarian support to over 500,000 people affected by conflict. This support has centred on cash transfers, seed distributions, NFI kits and support to local structures in essential service provision. DCA is always looking for ways of improving its programming. An evaluation of our activities' environmental impact and conflict sensitivity would help us to make evidence made decisions for the coming years.

2. Duties and responsibilities

Objective of consultancy: Provide an assessment of the efficiency and relevance of the 2019 Emergency Assistance programme through the lens of: achievement of indicators at outcome level, as well as the environmental impact and conflict sensitivity of the overall programme and how this can be improved moving into the next year.

In concrete terms this will require the following of the consultant:

- Assessment (based on secondary data provided by DCA and primary data collected in the field) including:
- The analysis of the direct and indirect environmental impact of the activities
- Mapping of project objectives and activities through the lens of conflict sensitivity
 - Evaluation of all the activities trough lens of conflict sensitivity

Key outputs:

- Assessment of achievement of indicators in line with the project proposal and indicated targets;
- Assessment of progress towards achievement of project objectives and goal;
- Assessment of environmental impact of project activities;
 Recommendations for the future programming in relation to the environmental impact.
- Brief conflict analysis of the area of intervention (profile, causes, actors) including ways that project activities have intersected with conflict-affected communities;
- Recommendations for the future programming in relation to the conflict sensitivity and how to avoid negative impacts and maximize positive impacts

DCA will support with the following:

- Ground and in country transport to the field
- Booking of the tickets (local and international)
- Food and accommodation
- Office space(if required)
- Access to printing and other stationaries
- Visas and entry permits/ local registrations

3. Deliverables

The evaluation is planned to take place in January/February 2020.

The Key outputs expected from the evaluation are:

- Submission of workplan;
- Assessment of achievement of indicators in line with the project proposal and indicated targets;
- Assessment of progress towards achievement of project objectives and goal;
- Assessment of environmental impact of project activities;
 Recommendations for the future programming in relation to the environmental impact.
- Brief conflict analysis of the area of intervention (profile, causes, actors) including ways that project activities have intersected with conflict-affected communities;
- Presentation of the results including recommendations for the future programming in relation to the conflict sensitivity and how to avoid negative impacts and maximize positive impacts;
- Training to local partners. P3 will support the printing and transport to the field of training materials designed / to be used by the consultant;
- First draft report;
- Final draft report

4. Competencies

The consultant should have the following skills:

- · Excellent interpersonal and communication skills;
- Solid analytical and presentation skills;
- Flexibility, Confidence & proven records in working with people of different faiths, backgrounds, and capacities;
- Experience in analysing environmental impact in conflict affected areas;
- Strong ability to lead and facilitate discussions with a wide-range of stakeholders;
- Ability to meet deadlines in a timely fashion;
- · Strong research and analysis abilities;
- Ability to translate strategic thinking and innovative ideas into practical operational recommendations.

5. Required Skills and Experience

Education: Advanced university degree in Economics, Development or any other field relevant to the ToR-s.

Experience:

- A minimum of 5 years of experience working in peacebuilding, conflict sensitivity, environmental impact in east or central Africa;
- Experience working with conflict analysis;
- Experience working in South Sudan would be advantageous, but not required.

Language:

- Fluency in written and spoken English is a must;
- Capacities in Arabic would be advantageous;

Annex 1

Objectives of the intervention

Overall Objective: Promote effective, broad-based humanitarian coordination and information management;

1. Emergency Food Assistance-Cash

Objective: Improve access to food via cash distribution to vulnerable households affected by conflict;

2. Agriculture and Food Security

Objective: Vulnerable households affected by conflict have improved food security

3. Logistics Support and Relief Commodities

Objective: Provide physical support for partners and beneficiaries in conflict-affected areas

4. Shelter and Settlements,

Objective: Provide access to safe, habitable and appropriate living spaces and non-food items to conflict and disaster affected households in need.

Please submit your application within the given time frame, the deadline for the submission is January 20, 2020