

Terms of Reference for the EAT Programme Victim Assistance (Mine Action) consultant.

1. Overview

Assisting the victims of a particular weapon system, or victim assistance (VA), was first included in the 1997 Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention (APMBC). Subsequently, VA provisions were included in the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons (CCW) and the Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM). Additionally, the 2006 Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) provides an overarching framework for implementing VA regarding survivors. States that have ratified or acceded to these treaties have the obligation to comply with their specific provisions. VA is regarded as one of the five “complementary groups of activities” or “pillars” of mine action.

Meeting the short-, medium- and long-term needs of persons who have been injured by explosive ordnance (EO) and have suffered physical, mental and/or sensory trauma as a result, whilst also addressing affected families and communities, requires a right based holistic and integrated multi-sector approach. The vast majority of VA, including emergency and ongoing medical care, rehabilitation, psychological and social support, facilitation of access to education social and economic inclusion, and related laws and policies, is managed outside of the mine action sector, although the sector provides important linkages. This support should be delivered according to norms and standards that exist within the health, rehabilitation, disability, education, employment, social protection, and development sectors. Because of the multifaceted and complex needs of victims, much of the mine action sector’s role includes identification and referral to the appropriate authorities and institutions.

Since 2017 DCA’s Explosive Ordinance Risk Education (EORE) has been the only pillar of mine action implemented in the programme areas. Given mine action is still not possible in the programme locations due to various constraints, DCA is looking to initiate the 2nd pillar of mine action. As an ongoing effort to support vulnerable communities for the Emergency programme, DanChurchAid (DCA) is proposing to start engaging in a new pillar of Mine Action within the programme area. To pilot this activity, DCA will engage the support of a technical consultant for a period of 3 months under UNOCHA funded project. The consultant will lead the development of strategy, sensitisation of stakeholders and mapping of the victim assistance service providers.

2. Responsibilities of the Victim Assistance consultant

The overall responsibility of the consultant will be to support to pilot the Victim Assistance project activities within the programme area while at the same time coordinating with different humanitarian actors and supporting DCA partners. Therefore, since DCA Emergency programme does not currently have the technical personnel, the consultant will build capacity of both DCA, partners and local authorities in VA and build a foundation upon which future interventions will be referenced to and anchored.

The primary responsibilities of the Victim Assistance consultant:

a) Mapping of available service providers

- a. Meet up with local partner protection staff teams and relevant authorities regarding VA to the pilot exercise.
- b. Develop monitoring/mapping tools for the VA pilot exercise.



- c. Conduct train of volunteers on mapping tools
 - d. Supervise the mapping exercise.
 - e. Gather the data and combine it into the database.
 - f. Prepare and present the overview of the available service providers to different stakeholders.
- b) Coordinate with local authorities and partners to develop victims' assistance strategy- and workplan.**
- g. Prepare and conduct a workshop with relevant stakeholders to introduce victims assistance.
 - h. Work closely with local partners to develop 3-year VA strategy and workplan considering local capacities and context.
 - i. Involve relevant stakeholders to review and QA of the draft strategy.
- c) Monitor, coordinate and implement the project activities.**
- j. Conduct Kick off meeting with relevant partner staff, local authorities, and other stakeholders.
 - k. Develop workplan for victim assistance activities in collaboration with local partners.
 - l. Support implementing VA related project activities including provision of referral structures workshops; peer to peer group creations; awareness sessions on PwD and EO victims; provision of support to EO victims.

3. Office base and movement

This consultancy position will be based in field site with logistics including transport, accommodation and feeding facilitated by DCA and partners.

The travel costs to and from Juba to field base is covered by DCA. Travel costs within the field locations is covered by DCA.

The consultant will be required to move between and visit remote field locations depending on the needs of the project. Such movements will be facilitated by partner organisations.

The consultant will be responsible for the rest of requirements such as medical care, insurance etc during the period of deployment.

4. Reporting lines

The EORE consultant will work closely with Victim Assistance consultant and partners protection teams (5 EORE assistants; 1 protection officer; 1 protection coordinator).

The consultant will report to DCA Programme Manager who will provide overall oversight but expected as well to work closely with the rest of the EAT programme team as well as partner staff.

5. Contract Timeline

The consultant is to be contracted within the UNOCHA project funding period between **1 April 2023-30 June 2023**.



All contract terms for the engagement will follow DCA consultant hire guidelines as the contracting agency Payment is to be made to the consultant 30% before the assignment and 70% after finalizing the assignment. All the required statutory deductions will be made from the gross pay and remitted by DCA as per South Sudan regulation & requirements.

6. Deliverables

- Monthly progress reports- Deadlines 20th of May 2023; 20th of June 2023
- Final report- 30th of July 2023
- Database of service providers within the area
- Meeting reports
- Development of workplan and strategy for VA 2023-2026

7. Person Qualifications:

- Individual consultants familiar and experienced in Victims Assistance work in remote locations.
- Completion of School certificate diploma and 5- year work experience in the VA activities. Preferably experience in working in protection and Health Field.
- The offer is open to South Sudanese nationals.
- Ability to work and live in remote locations with limited amenities.
- Flexible, creative persons with good facilitation and interpersonal skills

Interested applicant should submit a proposal to kamm@dca.dk and copy to: kaku@dca.dk , anderu@dca.dk or ssk.recruitment@dca.dk. Mark "***EAT Programme Victim Assistance (Mine Action) consultant***". The deadline for applications is April 6, 2023 before 04:00 pm. If this is not at all possible an application can be submitted by hand at the DanChurchAid Office compound, Plot No. 506, Block 3K, Juba NA Bari West, Opp. Faith Primary School, TongPing Area, Juba – South Sudan.

You also can access the advertisement on South Sudan DCA website at: [Terms of Reference for the EAT Programme Victim Assistance \(Mine Action\) consultant - Intranet DCA \(empty.com\)](#). Please note that no material or documents handed over to DCA will be returned to the applicant upon termination of the recruitment process.

