



Call for Consultancy Service

TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

Title: Individual Consultant – Policy Landscape Analysis

Contract type: Short Term

Duty Station: Dhaka and CHT districts

Duration: 2 months (July 2019 to August 2019)

Cost of service: Negotiable

Proposal submission: By June 23, 2019 to GAIN Bangladesh, House 20 (Index Development Limited; level 4), Road 99, Gulshan 2, Dhaka 1212 or email to:

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BACKGROUND OF THE ASSIGNMENT

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) was launched at the UN in 2002 to tackle the human suffering caused by malnutrition. GAIN is driven by a vision of a world without malnutrition, in which all people have access to and consume nutritious and safe food. The GAIN mission is to advance nutrition outcomes by improving the consumption of nutritious and safe food for all people, especially the most vulnerable to malnutrition. Further information about GAIN is available at www.gainhealth.org.

Based on this mission and vision GAIN joined a project as a consortium partner. The name of the project is Leadership to Ensure Adequate Nutrition (LEAN). The overall objective of the Leadership to Ensure Adequate Nutrition (LEAN) action is to contribute to improve maternal and child nutrition in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh. The Action is designed to go beyond scattered small scale direct interventions and focus on sustainable and integrated effective nutrition governance geared towards nutrition sensitive interventions linking with nutrition specific services through a coordinated approach. The Action will cover underserved rural areas in 18 Upazilas (sub districts) of 3 hill districts (Khagrachari, Rangamati, Bandarban) in Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT).

DESCRIPTION OF CALL FOR SERVICE PROPOSAL

Maternal and child undernutrition has negative impacts on cognitive development, learning outcomes, adolescent and adult health, productivity and national economic growth, and therefore requires a multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder approach. Building on the experience and excellent track record of partner organisation GAIN, the action will work across and with Government Ministries and local government line agencies to improve horizontal and vertical coordination for a collaborative approach that addresses the systemic constraints that have hindered nutrition good governance in Bangladesh.

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this a local consultant is required to analysis the nutrition governance and nutrition sensitive policy under the service contract.

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OBJECTIVE OF THE ASSIGNMENT

- a) To have a solid picture regarding nutrition related policies and activities (district, upazila and union level) in CHT including gaps, harmonization, potential opportunities (including capacity building) & advocacy issues to further intervene;
- b) To have a enough capacity to provide nutrition sensitive service delivery (by DAE, DLS, DoF, Women & Children Affairs and CHT Affairs), taking others step.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND DELIVERABLE

- A. Drafting a clear policy landscape as well as approaches-nutrition sensitive and specific of GoB ministries/departments, LGIs, CSO in line with NPAN2:
 - Existing policy and gap analysis;
 - Policy implementation process and gaps analysis;
 - Potential issues to consider in order to facilitate an effective governance system in CHT;
- B. Consultation with the stakeholders responsible for NPAN2 implementation
- C. Enlisting the potential actions:

Based on the analysis listing down about the policies, as for example:

Policy/implementing agency	Sections relevant to nutrition and CHT (if any)	Status of implementation	Recommendations

D. WORKSHOP FACILITATION:

The consultant will have to facilitate 3 validation/dissemination workshops in 3 CHT districts- Bandarban, Rangamati and Khagrachori encompassing LGIs, HDCs and SPs representatives based on the issues-existing coordination, gaps, potential coordination and receive feedback where following methods might be applied like Group discussion and power point presentation and question-Answer) However it will finalised discussed with the consultant. GAIN and other consortium partners will support the consultant to organise, communicate with the participants and others so that consultant can smoothly organise the workshop at the respective districts.

- E. Preparing report:
The consultant will have to produce a final report based on the above points. GAIN will provide a report structure so that consultant provide us the report which fulfil our requirements.

To do the job successfully, the consultant has to do the below activities:

- Identify the GoB ministries and departments service providers, private sector organizations, LGIs etc. in CHT at the different levels with their existing coordination as well as potential coordination to effectively implementation of GoB's NPAN2;
- Literature Review to understand the context of the CHT in relation to development interventions by government relevant departments, local Government Institutions, Hill Councils;
- The policy analysis will cover distinct thematic areas- Nutrition sensitive and Nutrition specific;
- Interview with the stakeholders-GoB ministries and departments related to NPAN2, LGIs (HDC, Zila, Upazila & UP) and CSOs;
- To will work closely with TC -Nutrition Governance at Dhaka Office and ATCs at Field level based in CHT districts.
- Many more.

QUALIFICATION & EXPERIENCES REQUIRED

Education: An advanced degree in nutrition, agriculture, food security, health or other area relevant to nutrition-sensitive programming.

Experience: At least 15 years programming experience, relevant particularly to governance food-based approaches to nutrition (e.g. nutrition-sensitive agriculture, school feeding, social protection, resilience etc.) Experience with policy analysis desirable related nutrition and food security. Experience working with national government, CHT Monitoring and evaluation experience required. Experience working in emergency desirable. Experience in gender-focused programming desirable. Experience in capacity development desirable. Experience generating learning modules/programme guidelines required. Individual consultancy experience on nutrition policy analysis will add extra value.

KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS:

Ability to work independently. Good interpersonal skills and demonstrated ability to work in multicultural setting. Excellent written and oral communication skills required.