

## UNICEF China Terms of Reference For Education Consultant Recruitment

**Job Title of Consultancy:** Education Consultant

**Requesting Section:** Education

### **Background of Consultancy Request:**

The UNICEF Education Section works with the Government of China, local partners, and communities to provide the country's most disadvantaged children with quality learning opportunities. We support government to strengthen China's education system so that it addresses the needs of the most excluded and vulnerable children, as well as ensure that girls and boys have equal access to opportunities. We also promote nurturing environments to support children develop into well-rounded individuals and facilitate smoother transition from school to work.

The Adolescents team in the Education Section works to support the Government of China improve access to quality education for 6–18-year-old. The 2021- 2025 education programming, aiming to facilitate the transition to a child-friendly education system, takes a holistic approach through seven inter-related projects ranging from child protection in schools, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) education, life skills, sports, inclusive education, teacher training to social and emotional learning (SEL).

The 2021- 2025 education programming also embraces key strategic shifts with a renewed focus on upstream engagement and policy impact. It places greater emphasis on evidence-based policy and research, advocacy for children's rights and adaptation of international evidence to China's context (and vice versa). There will also be a shift from child-friendly schools to child-friendly education systems and scaling-up of adolescent programmes, particularly around integrating life skills into the technical and vocation education & training (TVET) reform process and expanding alternative learning pathways for out-of-school (OOS) adolescents in China.

The adolescent Education team therefore seeks an education consultant with solid education programme management expertise to provide technical support to education programme implemetnations in two thematic areas: child protection in schools and STEM education for rural adolescents in China

### **Purpose of Activity/Assignment:**

The education consultant is expected to provide technical inputs to two project areas:

1. Child Protection in Schools Project: working with policy and technical partners to produce learning materials and deliver capacity building activity according to agreed workplan.
2. STEM for rural adolescents project: working with China Association of Science and Technology to plan and deliver STEM teacher training and produce advocacy materials as agreed with partner.

### **Major Tasks, Deliverables & Timeframe:**

Project Activity	Deliverables	Due Date	Maximum Number of days
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<b>Assignment 1: Child Protection in School project implementation</b>			<b>40 days</b>
Work with child protection technical consultant to localise training materials on positive discipline	3 localised modules of Training material on positive discipline	Dec 2023	20 days
Co-ordinate and organise a training workshop on child protection and positive discipline to pilot schools participants	Training workshop on child protection and positive discipline	Dec 2023	20 days
<b>Assignment 2: STEM for rural adolescent project implementation</b>			<b>40 days</b>
Work with delivery partner to support and quality assure the STEM teacher training	Two Training workshops to STEM teachers	Jan 2024	20 days
To work with UNICEF communications and external supply to produce three episodes of STEM for girls promotional videos	3 Promotional videos on STEM for girls	Jan 2024	20 days
<b>Total</b>			<b>80 days</b>

#### **Methodology & Expected Output:**

The consultant is expected to complete the above assignments by closely working with the Education Section Chief, the direct supervisor, the adolescent education team, internal/external stakeholder and partnerst. Occassional field trips may be required. Where feasible, the consultant is expected to sit in the office daily to maximise integration with the education team.

#### *Expected outputs include*

1. 'Positive Discipline' training materials localised.
2. One Capacity building workshop on child protection and positive discipline delivered to pilot school participants from 5 provinces.
3. One capaciby building workshop delivered to STEM teachers of xx provinces.
4. 3 promotional videos on STEM for Girls.

**Start Date:** 10 October 2023

**End Date:** 31<sup>st</sup> January 2024

**Total Working Days:** 80 days (maximum)

#### **Consultancy Requirements:**

- **Minimum Academic Qualifications required and disciplines:**

Master's degree in education, child development, social policy, public policy, Law and/or international development or another related field.

- **Knowledge/Experience/Expertise/Skills required:**
  - At least 2 years of relevant work experience in educational, teacher development, programme management and/or social development in China or internationally.
  - Experience in managing production of communication assets, particularly video productions.
  - Excellent inter-personal, mentoring, facilitation, and communication skills.
  - Flexibility and experience in working remotely;
  - Fluency in Chinese and English (both oral and written) is required.
  - Familiarity with UN system in China or other countries is an asset.