**TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS**

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| **Title:** Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability Consultant for WASH&CCES Section |  | **Type of engagement**  Consultant | **Duty Station:**  **NEW Delhi, ICO** |
| **Purpose of Activity/Assignment:** Provide technical input for integrating CCES within the WASH and other relevant programmes in line with UNICEF Country Programme Document (CPD 2023-2027) | | | |
| **Scope of Work *(Include Background/Rationale/Key Objectives of the Assignment)*:**  UNICEF’s 2019 report, an Environment Fit for Children, states that climate change is a direct threat to a child’s ability to survive, grow, and thrive. Extreme weather events such as cyclones threaten their lives and destroys infrastructure critical to their well-being. Floods compromise hygiene and access to water and sanitation facilities and services, leading to diseases such as cholera, to which children are particularly susceptible and vulnerable. Droughts lead to crop failures and rising food prices, which for the poor mean food insecurity and nutritional deprivations that can have lifelong impacts. The wider impact of temperature rise is eroding environmental assets such as ground cover, forest etc., leading to increased frequency and magnitude of natural disasters and wider environmental degradation that compromises children’s access to ecosystem services1.  According to UNICEF’s Children’s Climate Risk Index (CCRI), 1 billion children – nearly half the total – are already at extremely high risk of suffering from the impacts of climate change. And India is one the most vulnerable to climate change and environmental degradation including air pollution. It is also projected that flash flooding will significantly increase in urban and rural areas if global temperature keeps increasing. UNICEF is putting in place an intersectoral approach to addressing the challenge of climate change and environmental sustainability.  UNICEF is seeking to procure consultancy for a specific technical input to the multi-sectoral team within the UNICEF country office and key sector partners as relevant in support of our work in Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability (CCES). This support will be carried out in close coordination with the UNICEF office team as well as key sector ministries, especially the Ministry of Jal Shakti (MoJS) and Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoFECC).  The objective of the consultancy is to provide technical input that contributes to delivering on WASH&CCES section’s annual targets on Climate Change and Environmental Sustainability for UNICEF India. The assignment also requires providing support to intersectoral coordination including evidence generation and advocacy on CCES | | | |
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| Work Assignments Overview (*Include Major Tasks and Activities)* | Deliverables/Outputs | Timeline/Date for submission of Deliverable |
| Training of 4 selected UNICEF India staff on CCES related programming | 4 Training reports | 30.09.2023 |
| Support organizing at least 4 events for advocacy that promote visibility of UNICEF India’s work and youth-led/youth-inclusive action on CCES issues such as COP 20, G20, Earth Day activities, Environment and youth panels. | 4 Event reports | 30.11.2023 |
| Support to the study on Climate Landscape Analysis for Children (CLAC); this includes the orientation of and coordination with the hired agency on specific cross-sectoral indicators to assess climate impacts on children, support to the agency in gathering secondary data from Ministries/data sources, and coordination with CCES focal points including monitoring within UNICEF India from other sectors to devise and support different indicators which need to be collected and analyzed by an agency, | A report on orientation of agency, secondary data provided to the agency | 30.01.2024 |
| Develop 6 briefing notes/ advocacy flyers on CCES activities for stakeholders including government and donor partners | 6 Briefing notes/ flyers | 31.03.2024 |
| Develop at least 6 knowledge management content related to CCES | 6 KM products (Field notes/ research, documentation/ assessments) | 30.05.2023 |
| Support the coordination of CCES across ICO programmes and field offices, including support to at least 2 Climate Action Steering Group (CASG) and at least 2 Climate Action Taskforce meetings and follow up actions | 4 follow up action plans and progress reports on CASG and Taskforce meetings | 14.06.2024 |
| Travel - International (if applicable) |
| Travel - National (please include travel plan)  ***Please specify here clearly the States and Districts where travel is required, number of trips, whether by air or train, number of days of outstation travel, terminals, travel within districts, if applicable, etc. so that the candidates can provide all-inclusive deliverable based fees.*** | 15 UNICEF states   * Number of trips (air) = 5 trips * Number of days of outstation travel = 5 days (for estimating taxi charges) | | |
| Per Diem/DSA (if applicable) | * Number of days of outstation travel = 25 days (for estimating per diem) | | |
| **Minimum Qualifications required\*:** | **Years of Experience/Knowledge/Expertise/Skills required\*:** | | |
| Bachelors  Masters  PhD  Other  Enter Disciplines:  Post graduate university degree in environmental science and related field of study. | * At least 4 years of experience in environment and related field. * At least 3 years of experience in working on climate change and environmental sustainability programming * Demonstrated experience with working directly with government counterparts; experience with Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Climate Change and Ministry of Jal Shakti and/or relevant state counterparts desirable * Experience in coordination and advocacy with multiple stakeholders, * Demonstrable experience in developing environment and climate related strategies and frameworks; applicants are required to submit an example of previous related work from the past two years * Additional technical background in water, sanitation, and hygiene programming and research in India, will be an asset. * Excellent written and communication skills in English, as well as presentation skills, familiarity with local languages (Hindi, etc.) is preferred | | |
| \*Minimum requirements to consider candidates for competitive process | \*Listed requirements will be used for technical evaluation in the competitive process | | |
| A) Technical Evaluation (75 Points)  B) Financial Proposal (25 Points)  - Technical evaluation:   * 1. Cover letter (max 2 pages) and CV highlighting relevant past experience; cover letter should be two pages maximum and demonstrate expertise in this sector, ideally with government bodies at national or state level, and other large multilateral organisations (UNICEF, WHO, World Bank, etc.) (20 marks)   2. One Writing sample demonstrating experience in developing environment and climate related strategies or frameworks, from the past two years (15 marks)   Candidates scoring 28 marks and above to be shortlisted for interview   * 1. Blended technical and competency-based Interview (40 marks)   32/40 to qualify in the interview  Candidates who score overall 60 marks or above on the technical proposal will have their financial bids considered  Qualifying score in technical evaluation is 60 out of 75. Candidates scoring the highest based on technical and financial score will be selected. | | | |