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In reply please

refer to:

RFP/BAN/2022/021

Your reference:

24 August 2022

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Request for Proposal (RFP) for conducting an assessment on optimizing the role of community health workers in strengthening comprehensive primary health care and health systems resilience: prospects and challenges in Bangladesh.

WHO Bangladesh hereby invites proposals/bids from your Organization/Institute for carrying out the above-mentioned subject activity.

You are requested to go through the attached "Request for Proposal" document, which includes, with list of Annexes, as follows:

- 1. Requirements, Quality and Qualification Requirements, Key Deliverables with timetable
- 2. The proposal
- 3.Instructions to Bidders
- 4. Evaluation of Proposals
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- Annex 8: Bidder's Statement of Conformity
- Annex 9: Statement of Copyright

Please submit your technical and financial proposals in separate sealed envelopes in the Tender Box kept in the reception of WHO Bangladesh office on or before 14:00hrs, 08 September 2022 as detailed in the Instructions to Bidders of the RFP document (part 3).

At 14:00, 30 August 2022, a virtual pre-bid meeting will be held with the interested bidders.

Bidders shall not include the pricing information within the technical proposal and any noncompliance proposal/ bid with this instruction will lead to rejection of the proposal. Use of WHO emblem/logo in bidder's bid/proposal can also lead to rejection of that bid/proposal.

Please note that "THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) DOES NOT ENTERTAIN ANY OVERHEAD/ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS WHATSOEVER OF THE BIDDERS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROPOSED TECHNICAL WORK. THEREFORE, NO SUCH OVERHEAD/ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE BIDS.

This letter including annexes is not to be construed in any way as an offer to contract with you or your company.

Thank you,

Yours sincerely,

Thirlay Dorji

WHO Administrative Officer

Encl.: as stated above



Optimizing the role of community health workers in strengthening comprehensive primary health care and health systems resilience: prospects and challenges in Bangladesh

Request for Proposals (RFP)

**Bid Reference** 

RFP/BAN/2022/021)

Country/Unit Name WCO BAN/Health Systems

# Closing Date:

08 September 2022:14:00 hrs Virutal Pre-bid meeting time: 14:00hrs, 30 August 2022 ]

The World Health Organization (WHO) is seeking offers for conducting an assessment on optimizing the role of community health workers in strengthening comprehensive primary health care and health systems resilience: prospects and challenges in Bangladesh.

Your  $\boxtimes$  Company  $\boxtimes$  Institution is invited to submit a proposal for the services in response to this Request for Proposals (RFP).

WHO is a public international organization, consisting of 194 Member States, and a Specialized Agency of the United Nations with the mandate to act as the directing and coordinating authority on international health work. As such, WHO is dependent on the budgetary and extra-budgetary contributions it receives for the implementation of its activities. Bidders are, therefore, requested to propose the best and most cost-effective solution to meet WHO requirements, while ensuring a high level of service.

#### 1. Requirements

WHO requires the successful bidder, to carry out activities related to optimization of the role of the community health workers in strengthening comprehensive primary healthcare and health systems resilience: prospects and challenges in Bangladesh in consultation with Human Resources Development Unit/HSD, and WHO Bangladesh:

#### 1.1 Purpose

Purpose of this assignment is to conduct a comprehensive review of the range of CHWs to identify challenges and opportunities to strengthen their contribution towards strengthening primary health care and health system resilience at Upazila level in Bangladesh in consultation with HSD and WHO.

#### 1.2 Objectives

Following objectives are to be achieved through this technical assistance:

- 1) To conduct a landscape analysis of CHW programmes and activities currently underway in Bangladesh.
- 2) To review of the roles and performance by CHWs in public and private sectors and systemic factors affecting integration of the CHWs with the existing health systems.
- $2) \ To \ provide \ recommendations \ to \ strengthen \ CHWs \ contribution \ to \ strengthen \ delivery \ of \ quality \ primary \ healthcare \ and \ health \ system \ resilience \ .$

See detailed Terms of Reference in Annex 1 for complete information.

The successful bidder shall be a  $\boxtimes$  for profit /  $\boxtimes$  not for profit institution operating in the field of community health and primary health systems. with proven expertise in community health workers and primary health care in Bangladesh

# 1.3: Quality and qualification requirements:

I. Legally entitled to run/operate the institutes/organizations/companies as per the applicable rules for companies in the country. WHO shall disqualify bidders during initial scrutiny if the required information and supporting documents are not provided with the technical proposal. The legal status and VAT/TAX Requirements of the country are as follows:

- The Provider can be National/International/Joint Venture Company/Institute/Organization/NGO fulfilling the following local registration and legal/compliance requirements.
- Is registered with any of the City Corporations in Dhaka or Office of the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies and Firms or Board of Investment, NGO Affairs Bureau of Government of Bangladesh.
- Is a VAT registered organization.
- Have a TIN number and up to date Income Tax Certificates.
- There are no pending Criminal/Civil lawsuits against the organization / institution.
- Not declared "Bankrupt/Ineligible/Banned" by any of the court in the country.
- There are no pending major lawsuits and litigation in excess of USD 100,000 at risk (indicate particularly those by licensees or patent infringement) against the Institute/Company
- II. Capable to operate with all applicable local rates and costs for the expert (technical) and field services. WHO shall reserve the right to disqualify bidder(s) if they (bidder) are found to have not asked rates/costs as per the applicable local rates and costs for the expert (technical) and field activities in implementing the desired technical services/works. WHO has its own parameter in determining the applicable local rates and costs for expert (technical) and field activities.
- III. Capable to implement the desired work/projects in specified location utilizing own existing administrative, operational and logistical resources to implement the projects without adding up overhead costs to the Purchaser (WHO).

THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) DOES NOT ENTERTAIN ANY OVERHEAD/ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS WHATSOEVER OF THE BIDDERS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROPOSED TECHNICAL WORK. THEREFORE, NO SUCH OVERHEAD/ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE BIDS.

## 1.4 Timeline

The performance of work under this RFP is planned to commence from September 2022 and is scheduled to continue for 3.5 months. The contract will come into effect as soon as it is signed by both parties and the activities and related outputs/results are time based. Payment will be based on the agreed rates stipulated in the contract on reimbursable expenses using actual expenses and/or agreed unit subject receipt upon certifications of the deliverables listed below.

No	Description	Deadline	Indicator of progress
1	Signing of the Agreement	15 September 2022	
2	minutes. The report should contain detail description of each point/item mentioned in the SOW – what is to be carried out, landscape data and information, gaps/limitation.		Indicate 50% of completion of activity
3	Final copy of the technical report with detail description, including qualitative and quantative analysis, all raw data (both hard and soft copy) and Financial report with supporting original bills/invoice.	31 December 2022	Indicate 100% of completion of activity

# 1.5 Key deliverable

Inception report to be submitted within 35 days of the signing of the contract. The report will include Background, objectives, final scope of work (if revision is needed), selection of Upazilas and their basic information as relevant, finalization of the methodology including determination of household census strategy, identification as well as location of the primary data sources (number of unions, mouzas, households, local bazars, medicine

shops etc.) including listing the potential key informants, through mapping of those selected Upazilas, basic socio-demographic and economic aspects of the field sites, plotting data sources on a digital map, list of KIIs and field visit conducted during the inception period, refinement of the data collection strategy, finalization of the data collection tool/forms, formation of the technical taskforce with the TOR and meeting minutes, updated implementation/work plan with specific timeline for division/upazila-wise data collection plan, full list of the assessment team including data collectors with their qualification and experiences, hands-on training report, quality assurance initiatives including monitoring systems, potential challenges/bottlenecks related to health system and CHW integration with the system and probable strengths and a prospective outline of the final report;

- 2) Regular and timely meetings with the technical taskforce and relevant stakeholders and meeting minutes, and notes for records and slide presentations;
- 3) Plotting of data sources and probable CHWs in geographical maps (through use of GIS software) of selected upazilas.
- 4) The draft progress report to be submitted within 60 days of the contract. This should be containing detailed description of each point mentioned in the SOW what has been carried out so far, landscape data and information, gaps/limitation plus all raw data (hard and soft copies), geographical maps with indication of CHWs physical presence, preliminary analysis, detailed of the CHWs roles in healthcare delivery in emergencies and routine healthcare, health systems factors and issues hindering integration of them with the health system.
- 5) The final technical report needs to contain the categories of CHWs identified (both formal and informal, qualified and unqualified) from both public and private sectors, calculation of their density per 10,000 population, limitations of the assessment, development of their profiles with basic particulars such as age, sex, length of experience, formal training from both in country and outside country, public private share, use of tables, graphs for analysis, production of digital maps with density plotting through the use of appropriate GIS, lesson learned, conclusion and recommendations, health systems issues hindering integration with the mainstream body, TT meeting minutes, stakeholders consultation meeting minutes, photographs from the field and all raw data collected. Final copy of the report should be in detailed with reference to the SOW.
- 6) A final financial report with supporting original bills/invoice needs to be submitted within 15 days from the end of the assignment including successes and bottlenecks

# The successful bidder is expected to demonstrate experience and list relevant projects as follows:

## Mandatory experience:

- IV. The selection criteria to assess the technical capacity of the company/firm will include the following technical aspects/prospects:
  - a) The firm/company have at least five years of experience in the field of operational research or field survey/assessment related to the health sector of the Country.
  - b) The firm/company must have particular experience of completion of at least two (2) health workforce related assessments, survey, or development of any health workforce or community health workers related policy or guideline documents (this might require to be supported with proper evidence).
  - c) Must have proven expertise and capacity to carry out the methodology detailed out and data collection at field level;
  - d) Must have full time Human Resource capacity with:

#### Key Expert/Team Lead:

# a. Roles and Responsibilities for this project

The Team Leader needs to have substantial experiences on health workforce related projects including surveys, preparation of project documents such as technical reports/briefs and policy notes. In addition to project management function, the Team Leader will act as the HRH expert or Principal Investigator. He/She will guide, monitor and ensure quality of implementation of all relevant activities of the project. The person will also maintain good communication with the government counterparts and WHO focal point as needed. Team lead will attend meetings of technical working group established to conduct this assessment.

## b. Minimum Qualification

-at least Masters' degree in public health/any branch of social sciences/behavioural sciences.

-minimum 7 years working experience in similar community health worker or primary healthcare or health system related assessment/studies

- Experience about health workforce related national level survey will be an advantage (this may need to be supported with evidence).

# ii. Co-Expert (Health Economist for Quality Assurance)-1

#### a. Roles and Responsibilities for this project

The Expert for Quality Assurance will ensure quality of the whole project from inception to completion. This include confirmation of the study design, data collection tool, quality of the data, spot checks, data gaps, and preliminary analysis. He or she will also be responsible for smoothly operating/running of the agreed methodology at field level and will collaborate with other team members. The Expert needs to be available in all meetings, or relevant sessions.

#### b. Minimum Qualification

- at least Master degree in Health Economics/Economics/Statistics/Epidemiology/Geography.

- minimum 3 years working experience articulating step by step process in project design and implementation in operational/field level research.

- Any formal training in geographical information system (GIS) will be an advantage.

## iii. Co-Expert (for health systems strengthening)-1

#### a. Roles and Responsibilities for this project

The Expert for health system strengthening (primary/community level) is expected to look after and supervise the data collection matters and provide technical support to the data collection team. She/he should have adequate knowledge on the Upazila health systems and CHW's role performance, their integration issues and challenges, and private sector involvement. Should have experience of working with government offices and NGOs.

#### b. Minimum Qualification

- at least Master degree in any of these disciplines i.e. Public Health, Anthropology, Sociology, Social Work/Welfare, or any other relevant branch of Social Sciences.

- minimum 3 years working experience articulating step by step process in project design and implementation in operational/field level research.

- Any formal training in any qualitative data analysis tools (such as NVivo, ATLAS ti, etc.) will be an advantage.

#### iv. Field data collector-10

## a. Roles and Responsibilities for this project

- Data collectors will collect data and information as per prescribed forms under guidance.

Education: At least bachelor degree.

Experience: Minimum 2 years' experience related to field data collection.

#### Desirable experience:

-Key Expert: - Experience about health workforce related national level survey will be an advantage (this may need to be supported with evidence).

-Co-Expert (Health Economist for Quality Assurance - Any formal training in geographical information system (GIS) will be an advantage.

-Co-Expert (for health systems strengthening)-Any formal training in any qualitative data analysis tools (such as NVivo, ATLAS ti, etc.) will be an advantage.

The bidder is expected to follow the instructions set forth below in the submission of their proposal to WHO.

#### 2. Proposal

The proposal and all correspondence and documents relating thereto shall be prepared and submitted in the English language.

The proposal shall be concisely presented and structured to include the following information:

- Confidentiality Undertaking (please complete Annex 2)
- Presentation of your Company / Institution (please complete Annex 3)
- Proposed Approach/Methodology: Bidders should indicate how they would implement the contract
  with WHO to perform in structured process in conformity of ToR, timelines and requirement of the
  works if awared with the contract.
- Work Approach and Understanding: Bidder's proposal will reflect their undersstading of service/work in terms of requirements, inputs, output/deliverables, results nad key performance indicators as outlined in the RFP. The bidder should indicate the work approaches including ideas, execution plans e.g. end to end to end contract management/output delivery procedures.
- Financial proposal the bidder shall quote a price in the template provided in Annex-6 in a separate sealed envelope. There shall be no reflections of the financial quotes/inputs in the technical proposal and noncompliance with this requirement shall lead to the rejection of the bid

Information which the bidder considers confidential, if any, should be clearly marked as such.

#### 3. Instructions to Bidders

The bidder must follow the instructions set forth in this RFP in the submission of their proposal to WHO.

A prospective bidder requiring clarification on technical, contractual or commercial matters may notify WHO via email at the following address no later than 31 August 2022:10:00 hrs; Interested bidders can join the virtual pre-bid meeting at 14:00hrs, 30 August 2022. WHO Bangladesh office will send the virtual Pre-bid meeting link to the interested bidders, who (bidders) would send their interest to join the Pre-bid meeting through e-mail at the following address by 10:00hrs, 30 August 2022;:

Email for submissions of all queries: sebanprocurement@who.int

(use Bid reference in subject line )

A consolidated document of WHO's responses to all questions (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of enquiry) will be sent to all prospective bidders who have received the RFP.

From the date of issue of this RFP to the final selection, contact with WHO officials concerning the RFP process shall not be permitted, other than through the submission of queries and/or through a possible presentation or meeting called for by WHO, in accordance with the terms of this RFP.

The bidder shall submit, in writing, the complete proposal to WHO, no later than **08 September 2022 at 14:00 hours**Dhaka **time** ("the closing deposit by hand delivery or courier in separate sealed envelopes in tender boxes of WHO Bangladesh at following address

House No. SW(I) 1/A, Road-8, Gulshan-1, Dhaka-1212, Bangladesh . (use Bid reference in subject line )

To be complete, a proposal shall include:



- 2 copies of technical proposal (master and copy) titled as Technical Proposal for "Optimizing the role of community health workers in strengthening comprehensive primary health care and health systems resilience: prospects and challenges in Bangladesh" in separate sealed envelope as described under part 2
  - The technical proposal shall be separate from the financial proposal and there shall be no reflections of the financial quotes/inputs in the technical proposal and noncompliance with this requirement shall lead to the rejection of the bid
- A financial proposal titiled a financial proposal for "Optimizing the role of community health workers in strengthening comprehensive primary health care and health systems resilience: prospects and challenges in Bangladesh" in separate sealed envelope as described under part 2 above
  - Annexes 2 & 3, duly completed and signed by a person or persons duly authorized to represent the bidder, to submit a proposal and to bind the bidder to the terms of this RFP.

Each proposal shall be marked Ref: RFP/BAN/2022/021) .

WHO may, at its own discretion, extend the closing date for the submission of proposals by notifying all bidders thereof in writing before the above closing date and time.

Any proposal received by WHO after the closing date for submission of proposals may be rejected. Bidders are therefore advised to ensure that they have taken all steps to submit their proposals in advance of the above closing date and time.

The offer outlined in the proposal must be valid for a minimum period of 90 calendar days after the closing date. A proposal valid for a shorter period may be rejected by WHO. In exceptional circumstances, WHO may solicit the bidder's consent to an extension of the period of validity. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing. Any bidder granting such an extension will not, however, be permitted to otherwise modify its proposal.

The bidder may withdraw its proposal any time after the proposal's submission and before the above mentioned closing date, provided that written notice of the withdrawal is received by WHO at the email address indicated above, before the closing date for submission of proposals.

No proposal may be modified after its submission, unless WHO has issued an amendment to the RFP allowing such modifications.

No proposal may be withdrawn in the interval between the closing date and the expiration of the period of proposal validity specified by the bidder in the proposal (subject always to the minimum period of validity referred to above).

WHO may, at any time before the closing date, for any reason, whether on its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a (prospective) bidder, modify the RFP by written amendment. Amendments could, <u>interalia</u>, include modification of the project scope or requirements, the project timeline expectations and/or extension of the closing date for submission.

All prospective bidders that have received the RFP will be notified in writing of all amendments to the RFP and will, where applicable, be invited to amend their proposal accordingly.

All bidders must adhere to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct, which is available on the WHO procurement website at <a href="http://www.who.int/about/finances-accountability/procurement/en/">http://www.who.int/about/finances-accountability/procurement/en/</a>.

#### 4. Evaluation

Before conducting the technical and financial evaluation of the proposals received, WHO will perform a preliminary examination of these proposals to determine whether they are complete, whether any computational errors have been made, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the proposals are generally in order. Proposals which are not in order as aforesaid may be rejected.

The evaluation panel will evaluate the technical merits of all the proposals which have passed the preliminary examination of proposals based on the following weighting:

Technical Weighting:	70 % of total evaluation
Financial Weighting:	30 % of total evaluation

The technical evaluation of the proposals will include:

Addressing of WHO's requirements and expectations	As per Annex-5
Quality of the overall proposal	As per Annex-5
Experience of the firm in carrying out related project	As per Annex-5
Qualifications and competence of the personnel proposed for the assignment	As per Annex-5

The scoring scale per criteria was defined as follows:

Criteria evaluated as:	- and an are formering supporting evidence.	
Excellent	Excellent evidence of ability to exceed requirements	100%
Good	Good evidence of ability to exceed requirements	90%
Satisfactory	Satisfactory evidence of ability to support requirements	
Poor	Marginally acceptable or weak evidence of ability to support requirements	40%
Very Poor	Lack of evidence to demonstrate ability to comply with requirements	10%
No submission		

The number of points which can be obtained for each evaluation criterion is specified above and indicates the relative significance or weight of the item in the overall evaluation process.

A minimum of [490 (70%] points is required to pass the technical evaluation.

The final evaluation will combine the weighted scores of both technical and financial proposals to come up with a cumulative total score.

Please note that WHO is not bound to select any bidder and may reject all proposals. Furthermore, since a contract would be awarded in respect of the proposal which is considered most responsive to the needs of the project concerned, due consideration being given to WHO's general principles, including the principle of best value for money, WHO does not bind itself in any way to select the bidder offering the lowest price.

WHO may, at its discretion, ask any bidder for clarification of any part of its proposal. The request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. No change in price or substance of the proposal shall be sought, offered or permitted during this exchange.

NOTE: Individual contact between WHO and bidders is expressly prohibited both before and after the closing date for submission of proposals.

#### 5. Award

WHO reserves the right to:

- Award the contract to a bidder of its choice, even if its bid is not the lowest;
- Award separate contracts for parts of the work, components or items, to one or more bidders of its choice, even if their bids are not the lowest;
- Accept or reject any proposal, and to annul the solicitation process and reject all proposals at any time prior
  to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders and without
  any obligation to inform the affected bidder or bidders of the grounds for WHO's action;
- Award the contract on the basis of the Organization's particular objectives to a bidder whose proposal is considered to be the most responsive to the needs of the Organization and the activity concerned;
- Not award any contract at all.

WHO has the right to eliminate bids for technical or other reasons throughout the evaluation/selection process. WHO shall not in any way be obliged to reveal, or discuss with any bidder, how a proposal was assessed, or to provide any other information relating to the evaluation/selection process or to state the reasons for elimination to any bidder.

NOTE: WHO is acting in good faith by issuing this RFP. However, this document does not oblige WHO to contract for the performance of any work, nor for the supply of any products or services.

At any time during the evaluation/selection process, WHO reserves the right to modify the scope of the work, services and/or goods called for under this RFP. WHO shall notify the change to only those bidders who have not been officially eliminated due to technical reasons at that point in time.

WHO reserves the right at the time of award of contract to extend, reduce or otherwise revise the scope of the work, services and/or goods called for under this RFP without any change in the base price or other terms and conditions offered by the selected bidder.

WHO also reserves the right to enter into negotiations with one or more bidders of its choice, including but not limited to negotiation of the terms of the proposal(s), the price quoted in such proposal(s) and/or the deletion of certain parts of the work, components or items called for under this RFP.

Within 30 days of receipt of the contract between WHO and the successful bidder (the "Contract"), the successful bidder shall sign and date the Contract and return it to WHO according to the instructions provided at that time. If the bidder does not accept the Contract terms without changes, then WHO has the right not to proceed with the selected bidder and instead contract with another bidder of its choice. The Contract will include, without limitation, the provisions set forth in Annex 3.

Any and all of the contractor's (general and/or special) conditions of contract are hereby explicitly excluded from the Contract, i.e., regardless of whether such conditions are included in the Contractor's offer, or printed or referred to on the Contractor's letterhead, invoices and/or other material, documentation or communications.

We look forward to receiving your response to this RFP.

Yours sincerely, Thinlay Dorji Administrative Officer WHO Bangladesh 11

Country/Unit Name WCO BAN/Health Systems

## **Annexes**

- Detailed Terms of Reference
- Confidentiality Undertaking
- Vendor Information Form
- Contractual provisions
- 1. Detailed Evaluation Criteria
- 2. Financial Proposal Template
- 3. Self-Decleration Form
- 4. Statement of Conformity
- 5. Statement of Copyright/Intellectual Property Right and Data ownership

## **Annex 1: Detailed Terms of Reference**

The COVID-19 pandemic, and associated health and economic challenges, has highlighted the importance of comprehensive primary health care as the most effective and efficient means to progress towards universal health coverage, health-related SDGs, and health security. There is also widespread recognition that focused attention on the health workforce, especially the workforce closest to communities, is fundamental to realization of the vision of primary health care.

Bangladesh has a long history of utilizing CHWs to advance a variety of state and partner priorities to meet the basic health care needs of the people of the country especially at rural level. CHWs are the paraprofessionals or lay health workers who knows the local context very well, paid and volunteers, formally recognized and informal, as active in both the public and private sector.

Within Bangladesh, due to their presence close-to-the community, CHWs are the first contact point as well as the first line providers of primary health care (PHC), which include promotive, preventive, rehabilitative and palliative care. In Bangladesh, they play a vital role in rendering PHC services to the people based at rural, hard-to-reach and underserved areas. In the ongoing Corona Virus-2019 (COVID-19) pandemic, they have been playing an important role in management of the disease.

While recognizing the fundamental contribution made by the CHWs from the public and private sectors in Bangladesh in meeting the health needs of the population there is significant potentially to further optimize the contribution of CHWs and programmes to advance national health priorities. Importantly, there is a significant gap observed in understanding the landscape of CHW programmes currently active in Bangladesh; monitoring of CHW activities, role and performance; and wholistic approaches to strengthen support to, governance of and ensuring synergy across the variety of CHW activities and programmes underway.

With reference to the Bangladesh National Community Health Workers Strategy-2019, WHO Bangladesh intents to support the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW) to conduct a comprehensive review of the existing CHWs programmes and activities in Bangladesh in order to provide recommendation to strengthen alignment with national health goals, with focus on strengthening PHC and health system resilience.

#### 2. Purpose

The purpose of this activity is to conduct a comprehensive review of the range of CHWs to identify challenges and opportunities to strengthen contribution towards strengthening primary health care and health system resilience at Upazila level in Bangladesh.

#### 3. Objectives

Following three objectives are to be achieved by this project:

- 1) To conduct a landscape analysis of CHW programmes and activities currently underway in Bangladesh.
- 2) To review of the roles and performance by CHWs in public and private sectors and systemic factors affecting integration of the CHWs with the existing health systems.
- 3) To provide recommendations to strengthen CHWs contribution to strengthen delivery of quality primary healthcare and health system resilience.

#### 4. Scope of Work (SOW)

Following SOWs are to be carried out during this assignment period (but may not be confined to these due to change of time, information and interest) –

Conduct a landscape analysis of the CHW programmes currently underway in the country in the public, private
and NGO sectors. This can be done through development of a comprehensive list of organizations employing
CHWs including the number of CHWs category/occupation-wise, nature of healthcare they provide, etc.

- Select four different Upazilas from four different Divisions in consultation with HR Branch, HSD and WHO
  officials and map out the geographical distribution of the CHW targeted by towns/villages/hard-to-reach
  (H2R) communities, their linkages to health facilities, and population served.
- 3) Describe the preferred approach to be adopted including development and finalization of the data collection tools and forms.
- 4) Describe their demographic and professional characteristics/profile and density per 10,000 population.
- 5) Identify and list the key sources of data in the selected study areas covering both rural and urban with contact details.
- 6) Develop a framework of activities the CHWs targeted are supposed to provide in alignment with their roles and responsibilities (job descriptions). This can be determined in discussion with WHO Bangladesh and MOHFW's respective departments.
- 7) Describe CHW's activities in terms of health promotion, disease prevention, surveillance, emergency and routine care services, and time spent in providing each type of services to the respective communities.
- 8) Describe the types of services provided to different type of community people (for example, newborn, adolescents, the elderly, pregnant women, and others).
- 9) Determine the barriers operational as well as health system related, which impede fulfillment of their roles as described in the framework and make recommendations for improvement.
- 10) Identify differences (if any) in services delivered by the CHWs targeted across regions and settings (H2R areas, urban/rural, public/private etc.).
- 11) Explore access by the CHWs targeted to monitoring and supervision of their services, in-service training and incentives, making comparisons between regions, settings (H2R areas, urban/rural, public/private etc. for example), certification, etc.
- 12) Assess training/education status of the CHWs in different health areas and identify training gaps with respect to tasks/activities identified in the framework.
- 13) Explore a potential quality improvement, monitoring and governance mechanism for CHW programmes from central to the periphery level in Bangladesh..

# 5. Methodology

The bidder should clearly describe how they will carry out this activity. The methodology should be finalized, and a clear-cut description of the data collection strategy is essential. This should be finalized in consultation with WHO and MOHFW officials. This should include identifying data sources, and mapping of key stakeholders, tool development, data channeling modes/data flow, reporting points and beneficiaries. There is a need to establish a technical taskforce (TT) for this activity with a specific "Terms of Reference" which will include - review of data collection tools and determination of assessment areas and roadmaps of data collection etc. Membership of the TT should include experts from both public and private sectors organizations including HSD HR Branch and WHO experts. Organize group discussion, contact of local leaders and elites, mapping, key informant interview, transact walk, and consultative meetings as needed..

# 6. Data ownership, publication and confidentiality

The selected Contractor shall keep all information confidential and shall not disclose confidential information to any other party. The WHO will reserve the ownership of the database to be developed and may use the platform for future similar projects globally. The selected Contractor also have the authority to preserve data generated by this project and they (the contractor) shall not use any of this resulting information for the purpose of publication without prior WHO permission. They (Selected Contractor) shall not use, supply, provide or disseminate source codes or contents or materials delivered to WHO for the purpose of this work of WHO to other parties/entities at cost or no cost. Bidders are required to submit the Statement of Copyright/Intellectual Property Right and Data ownership attached as Annex-9 in their Letterhead with signed, dated and stamped by the authorized officials.

## **Annex 2: Confidentiality Undertaking**

- The World Health Organization (WHO), acting through its Department of WHO Bangladesh, has access to certain information relating to TOPIC which it considers to be proprietary to itself or to entities collaborating with it (hereinafter referred to as "the Information").
- WHO is willing to provide the Information to the Undersigned for the purpose of allowing the Undersigned to prepare a response to the Request for Proposal (RFP) for "Optimizing the role of community health workers in strengthening comprehensive primary health care and health systems resilience: prospects and challenges in Bangladesh" ("the Purpose"), provided that the Undersigned undertakes to treat the Information as confidential and proprietary, to use the Information only for the aforesaid Purpose and to disclose it only to persons who have a need to know for the Purpose and are bound by like obligations of confidentiality and non-use as are contained in this Undertaking.
- The Undersigned undertakes to regard the Information as confidential and proprietary to WHO or parties collaborating with WHO, and agrees to take all reasonable measures to ensure that the Information is not used, disclosed or copied, in whole or in part, other than as provided in paragraph 2 above, except that the Undersigned shall not be bound by any such obligations if the Undersigned is clearly able to demonstrate that the Information:
- was known to the Undersigned prior to any disclosure by WHO to the Undersigned (as evidenced by written records or other competent proof);
- was in the public domain at the time of disclosure by or for WHO to the Undersigned;
- 3. becomes part of the public domain through no fault of the Undersigned; or
- 4. becomes available to the Undersigned from a third party not in breach of any legal obligations of confidentiality (as evidenced by written records or other competent proof).
- The Undersigned further undertakes not to use the Information for any benefit, gain or advantage, including but not limited to trading or having others trading in securities on the Undersigned's behalf, giving trading advice or providing Information to third parties for trade in securities.
- 6 At WHO's request, the Undersigned shall promptly return any and all copies of the Information to WHO.
- 7 The obligations of the Undersigned shall be of indefinite duration and shall not cease on termination of the above mentioned RFP process.
- Any dispute arising from or relating to this Undertaking, including its validity, interpretation, or application shall, unless amicably settled, be subject to conciliation. In the event of the dispute is not resolved by conciliation within thirty (30) days, the dispute shall be settled by arbitration. The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the modalities to be agreed upon by the Undersigned and WHO or, in the absence of agreement within thirty (30) days of written communication of the intent to commence arbitration, with the rules of arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce. The Undersigned and WHO shall accept the arbitral award as final.
- 9 Nothing in this Undertaking, and no disclosure of Information to the Undersigned pursuant to its terms, shall constitute, or be deemed to constitute, a waiver of any of the privileges and immunities enjoyed by WHO under national or international law, or as submitting WHO to any national court jurisdiction.

Acknowledged and Agreed:

Entity Name:

Mailing Address:

Name and Title of duly authorized representative:

Signature:

Date:

# **Annex 3: Vendor Information Form**

Company Information to be provided by	by the Vendor submitting the proposal	Week The Control of t
UNGM Vendor ID Number:  If available – Refer to WHO website for registration process*		
Legal Company Name: (Not trade name or DBA name)		
Company Contact:		
Address:		
City:	State:	
Country:	Zip:	
Telephone Number:	Fax Number:	
Email Address:	Company Website:	
Corporate information:		
Company mission statement		
Service commitment to customers and measurements used (if available)		
Organization structure (include description of those parts of your organization that would be involved in the performance of the work)		
Relevant <b>experience</b> (how could your expertise contribute to WHO's needs for the purpose of this RFP) — Please attach reference and contact details		
Staffing information		

<sup>\*</sup> http://www.who.int/about/finances-accountability/procurement/en/

#### **Annex 4: Contractual Provisions**

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Within 30 days of receipt of the contract between WHO and the successful bidder (the "Contract"), the successful bidder shall sign and date the Contract and return it to WHO according to the instructions provided at that time. If the bidder does not accept the Contract terms without changes, then WHO has the right not to proceed with the selected bidder and instead contract with another bidder of its choice. The Contract will include, without limitation, the provisions set forth below (with the successful bidder referred to below as the "Contractor"):

1. <u>Compliance with WHO Codes and Policies</u>. By entering into the Contract, the Contractor acknowledges that it has read, and hereby accepts and agrees to comply with, the WHO Policies (as defined below). In connection with the foregoing, the Contractor shall take appropriate measures to prevent and respond to any violations of the standards of conduct, as described in the WHO Policies, by its employees and any other persons engaged by the Contractor to perform any services under the Contract.

Without limiting the foregoing, the Contractor shall promptly report to WHO, in accordance with the terms of the applicable WHO Policies, any actual or suspected violations of any WHO Policies of which the Contractor becomes aware.

For purposes of the Contract, the term "WHO Policies" means collectively: (i) the WHO Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct; (ii) the WHO Policy on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Prevention and Response; (iii) the WHO Policy on Preventing and Addressing Abusive Conduct; (iv) the WHO Code of Conduct for responsible Research; (v) the WHO Policy on Whistleblowing and Protection Against Retaliation; and (vi) the UN Supplier Code of Conduct, in each case, as amended from time to time and which are publicly available on the WHO website at the following links: http://www.who.int/about/finances-accountability/procurement/en/ for the UN Supplier Code of Conduct and at http://www.who.int/about/ethics/en/ for the other WHO Policies.

- 2. Zero tolerance for sexual exploitation and abuse, sexual harassment and other types of abusive conduct. WHO has zero tolerance towards sexual exploitation and abuse, sexual harassment and other types of abusive conduct. In this regard, and without limiting any other provisions contained herein:
- (i) each legal entity Contractor warrants that it will: (i) take all reasonable and appropriate measures to prevent sexual exploitation or abuse as described in the WHO Policy on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Prevention and Response, and/or sexual harassment and other types of abusive conduct as described in the WHO Policy on Preventing and Addressing Abusive Conduct by any of its employees and any other persons engaged by it to perform the work under the Contract; and (ii) promptly report to WHO and respond to, in accordance with the terms of the respective Policies, any actual or suspected violations of either Policy of which the Contractor becomes aware; and
- (ii) each individual Contractor warrants that he/she will (i) not engage in any conduct that would constitute sexual exploitation or abuse as described in the WHO Policy on Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Prevention and Response, and/or sexual harassment and other types of abusive conduct as described in the WHO Policy on Preventing and Addressing Abusive Conduct. Without limiting the foregoing, the individual Contractor shall promptly report to WHO, in accordance with the terms of the respective Policies, any actual or suspected violations of either Policy of which the individual Contractor becomes aware.
- 3. <u>Tobacco/Arms Related Disclosure Statement</u>. The Contractor may be required to disclose relationships it may have with the tobacco and/or arms industry through completion of the WHO Tobacco/Arms Disclosure Statement. In the event WHO requires completion of this Statement, the Contractor undertakes not

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to permit work on the Contract to commence, until WHO has assessed the disclosed information and confirmed to the Contractor in writing that the work can commence.

- 4. <u>Anti-Terrorism and UN Sanctions; Fraud and Corruption</u>. The Contractor warrants for the entire duration of the Contract that:
- i. it is not and will not be involved in, or associated with, any person or entity associated with terrorism, as designated by any UN Security Council sanctions regime, that it will not make any payment or provide any other support to any such person or entity and that it will not enter into any employment or subcontracting relationship with any such person or entity;
- ii. it shall not engage in any illegal, corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices (including bribery, theft and other misuse of funds) in connection with the execution of the Contract; and
- iii. the Contractor shall take all necessary precautions to prevent the financing of terrorism and/or any illegal corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices (including bribery, theft and other misuse of funds) in connection with the execution of the Contract.

Any payments used by the Contractor for the promotion of any terrorist activity or any illegal, corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practice shall be repaid to WHO without delay.

- 5. <u>Breach of essential terms</u>. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that each of the provisions of paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 above constitutes an essential term of the Contract, and that in case of breach of any of these provisions, WHO may, in its sole discretion, decide to:
- i. terminate the Contract, and/or any other contract concluded by WHO with the Contractor, immediately upon written notice to the Contractor, without any liability for termination charges or any other liability of any kind; and/or
- ii. exclude the Contractor from participating in any ongoing or future tenders and/or entering into any future contractual or collaborative relationships with WHO.

WHO shall be entitled to report any violation of such provisions to WHO's governing bodies, other UN agencies, and/or donors.

- 6. <u>Use of WHO Name and Emblem</u>. Without WHO's prior written approval, the Contractor shall not, in any statement or material of an advertising or promotional nature, refer to the Contract or the Contractor's relationship with WHO, or otherwise use the name (or any abbreviation thereof) and/or emblem of the World Health Organization.
- Assurances regarding procurement. If the option for payment of a maximum amount applies, to the extent the Contractor is required to purchase any goods and/or services in connection with its performance of the Contract, the Contractor shall ensure that such goods and/or services shall be procured in accordance with the principle of best value for money. "Best value for money" means the responsive offer that is the best combination of technical specifications, quality and price.
- 8. <u>Audit.</u> WHO may request a financial and operational review or audit of the work performed under the Contract, to be conducted by WHO and/or parties authorized by WHO, and the Contractor undertakes to facilitate such review or audit. This review or audit may be carried out at any time during the implementation

of the work performed under the Contract, or within five years of completion of the work. In order to facilitate such financial and operational review or audit, the Contractor shall keep accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the work performed under the Contract.

The Contractor shall make available, without restriction, to WHO and/or parties authorized by WHO:

- i. the Contractor's books, records and systems (including all relevant financial and operational information) relating to the Contract; and
- ii. reasonable access to the Contractor's premises and personnel.

The Contractor shall provide satisfactory explanations to all queries arising in connection with the aforementioned audit and access rights.

WHO may request the Contractor to provide complementary information about the work performed under the Contract that is reasonably available, including the findings and results of an audit (internal or external) conducted by the Contractor and related to the work performed under the Contract.

9. <u>Publication of Contract</u>. Subject to considerations of confidentiality, WHO may acknowledge the existence of the Contract to the public and publish and/or otherwise publicly disclose the Contractor's name and country of incorporation, general information with respect to the work described herein and the Contract value. Such disclosure will be made in accordance with WHO's Information Disclosure Policy and shall be consistent with the terms of the Contract.

#### **Evaluation Criteria:**

The bidders need to provide reflections on the specific quality and competency questions. The requirements relevant criteria and documentary evidence in support of Qualification Criteria are provided in Table 1. WHO shall determine the qualification of the bidders in terms of Legal Entity and Eligibility for the Renovation works on "PASS/FAIL (YES/NO)" basis as per the qualification criteria detailed under Table 1 below. If bidder(s) fails to pass the following qualification questions, they will not be considered for next step e.g. evaluation of bids/quotations as per the detailed weighted evaluation criteria and scoring matrix stage.

Table 1 - "PASS/FAIL (YES/NO)" - Questions

Requirement	Qualification Criteria	Supporting Documents to be provided by the bidder	YES/NO
Registered as Supplier/Consulting Firm/Provider with relevant Government entity in Bangladesh	Legal entity of the bidder	a. Copies of up to date Trade license and or certificate of incorporation or registration certificates with National Board of Investments or NGO Affairs Bureau.	
Total minimum 5 years' experience in the relevant field	Total relevant Experience	a. Work completion certificate from any procurement entity to prove the experiences	
Past perfornace of the bidderw with WHO is satisfactory and without any internal limitation/restrictions for future contracts by WHO (applicable only for bidders who is performing or had performed for WHO under contract with WHO Bangadesh).	Eleigbility of the bidder	a. internal review report.	
Legally entitled to operate its business in the country complying with the government tax/vat rules/regulation	Taxation Obligations	a. VAT registration and TIN certificate	
The bidder has met the requirements of self-declarations applicable to private and public companies:  - No pending Criminal/Civil lawsuits against the bidder's company/firm	Eligibility of the Bidder	Signed Self Decleration Form Signed Statement of Conformity	
-The bidder's company/firm is not declared "Bankrupt/Ineligible/Banned" by any of the court in the country			
- There is no pending major lawsuits and litigations against the bidder's company/firm in excess of USD 100,000 at risk (indicate particularly those by licensees or patent infringement) against the Institution/company			
- The bidder's company/firm has not received any sanctioned by any UN Agencies, World Bank/ADB or diplomatic missions in the Country			

## Detailed evaluation and selection guidelines and matrix of Proposals:

Bidders are required to read the specification, requirements, specific quality questions, and selection criteria, weighted methodology, evaluation criteria, scoring and prices schedule/template, as outlined in this RFP document in order to submit a substantial/complete bid. Your bid submission with required information, proof and supporting documents/evidence are expected to provide WHO the details of the information WHO requires and ultimately, contribute to assess/carry out proper evaluation of your capability in providing the required services. The basics of the evaluation and awarding processes are provided below:

- i. Award, Scoring and Weightage System/Methodology:
- a. The bid of "the highest overall Technical and Financial scores" of 1,000 points will be awarded;
- b. Score/Point distributed as per the Weighting matrix in Part IV in this RFP: 700 points for Technical Proposal and 300 points for the Financial Proposal.
- c. A minimum of 70% (out of 700) is required to be considered technically qualified for this work.

## ii. Technical Scoring and Weighting System:

The weight/weighted scale as provided below under iii, weighted evaluation criteria and points/scores for each criteria/sub-criteria under Technical Evaluation with total points (700) are provided below under iv:

iii. Scoring Methodology – Overall (for scoring where specific criteria is not given)

0	Non-compliant, fails to satisfy specified requirements.	
40%	Barely acceptable evidence of ability to support contract requirements	
70%	Satisfactory evidence of ability to support contract requirements	
90%	Good evidence of ability to exceed contract requirements	
100%	Excellent evidence of ability to exceed contract requirements	

# v. Detail Evaluation Criteria of each of the three categories are in Table 2 as follows:

#### A. Expertise of the Firm/Organization: 150 points out of 700

A1	General organizational capability strength: 80  - Background of the firm (total experience, goal/objectives, ongoing projects): 20  - Organizational capacity in terms of resources, facilities, equipment, logistics: 20  - Management structure (Organogram) of the organization, total number of relevant experts and professionals: 20  - Quality assurance procedures including project monitoring and evaluation: 20
A2	Relevant background: 70 Particular experience of completion of at least 2 health workforce related assessments, survey, or development of any health workforce or community health workers related policy documents.  -4 projects and above: 70 -3 projects: 63 -2 Projects: 49 -1 projects: 28 -No project: 0

# B. Proposed Methodology, Approach and Implementation Plan: 250 points out of 700

B1	Comprehensive understanding the approach of the proposal as outlined under the RFP: Maximum 75
B2	The detailed methodology including description of the field data collection strategy plus key variables to be used in the tools: Max 100

B3 The work plan laid out by the firm towards implementation of the assignment is clear, practical, systematic based on the sequence of activities meeting WHO timeline for the project and addressed correspond to the TOR/Scope of Work under this RFP. It should also delineate the project management structure including number of persons-days (manning schedule) to be provided by each key project staff: Max 75

# C. Management Structure and Key Personnel: 300 points out of 700

C1	Key Expert/Team Leader: 150				
	Educational background: 75				
	<ul> <li>PhD or equivelent in any branch of public health/social sciences/behavioral</li> </ul>				
	sciences = 75				
	<ul> <li>Master's degree in any branch of public health/social sciences/behavioral</li> </ul>				
	sciences = 52.5				
	- Others = 0				
	Total professional experience of working in similar community health worker or primary healthcare or health system related assessment/studies: (50 + 25)=75				
	- 9 years or more = 50 - 8 years: 45				
	- 7 years = 35				
	- 5-6 years= 20				
	- Less than 5 years: 0				
	Example of conducting health workforce related national level survey: 25 - 2 examples or above of conducting health workforce related national level				
	survey = 25				
	- 1 examples of conducting health workforce related national level survey =17.5				
C2	- No example of conducting health workforce related national level survey =0  Co-Expert: 75				
02	Educational background: 40				
	- Master's degree in health				
	economics/Economics/Statistics/Epidemiology/Geography/relevant discipline				
	= 40				
	Total professional experience in project management and quality assurance (in years): 25				
	- 5 years and above = 25				
	- 4 years: 22.5				
	- 3 years= 17.5				
	- 2 years = 5				
	- Less than 2 years: 0				
	Any formal/recognized training or expertise in GIS application: 10				
C3	Co-Expert: 75				
	Educational background: 40				
	<ul> <li>Master's degree in any of these disciplines i.e. Public Health, Anthropology, Sociology, Social Work/Welfare, or any other relevant discipline of Social Sciences = 40</li> </ul>				
	Total professional experience in qualitative data collection and health systems development =25				
	- 5 years and above = 25				
	- 4 years: 22.5				
	- 3 years= 17.5				
	- 2 years = 5				
	- Less than 2 years: 0				
	Any formal/recognized training or expertise in 22ualitative data analysis tool: 10				

## Financial Scoring and Weighting System:

Only **technically qualified proposals** will be scored **out of 300** based on the formula provided below. The maximum points (300) will be assigned to the lowest financial proposal. All other proposals received points according to the following formula:

 $p = y (\mu/z)$ Where:

- p = points for the financial proposal being evaluated;
- y = maximum number of points for the financial proposal;
- µ = price of the lowest priced proposal;
- z = price of the proposal being evaluated.

## **Required Supporting Documents:**

The following documents must be submitted to Establish Qualification of Proposers (In 'Certified True Copy' only)

- Registration Certificates/Trade License, TIN Certificates etc.;
- Company Profile with list of projects being undertaken/complete;
- Management Structures and quality assurance mechanism, Internal oversight;
- Organogram and roles and responsibilities with risk mitigation matrix;
- The previous project contracts with reports which are relevant to the field implementation of online teaching-learning/remote business management or any other relevant field;
- CVs of the experts outline his/her education, other qualification (training), experience (list of works, period, name of client and value, relevant professional backgrounds, including copies of accreditation/publications (if any) covering the capability/strength under technical evaluation part. Evidence need to be provided for each of the items as mentioned in evaluation criteria of each category;
- Any other documents such as accreditation.

# Annex-6: Financial Proposal Template - Currency in BDT

# **Financial Proposal**

(TO BE SUBMITTED IN SEPARATE ENVELOPE THAN TECHNICAL PROPOSAL)

The financial proposal must include breakdown of overall price in BDT as given in the example below.

	Breakdown of Overa			as given in the	example below
#	Task	Role	Day Rate	Proposed days of work	Total Cost
1.	Expert Services costs including team leader, key experts and other related staff to be engaged for the work				
2.	Project related Expenses (Technical Taskforce Meetings, analysis, field visit, report drafting etc.)				
3.	Data collectors and field level cost				
4.	Software, License (if any)				
5.	Stationaries, printing, photocopy, software, etc				
6.	Other costs if any (Please specify)				
7.	VAT on total cost				
	Total Cost				

THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) DOES NOT ENTERTAIN ANY OVERHEAD/ ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS WHATSOEVER OF THE BIDDERS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROPOSED TECHNICAL WORK. THEREFORE, NO SUCH OVERHEAD/ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE BIDS.

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#### Annex 7: Self Declaration Form

## Applicable to private and public companies

<COMPANY> (the "Company") hereby declares to the World Health Organization (WHO) that:

- 1. it is not bankrupt or being wound up, having its affairs administered by the courts, has not entered into an arrangement with creditors, has not suspended business activities, is not the subject of proceedings concerning the foregoing matters, and is not in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations;
- 2. it is solvent and, in a position, to continue doing business for the period stipulated in the contract after contract signature, if awarded a contract by WHO;
- 3. it or persons having powers of representation, decision making or control over the Company have not been convicted of an offence concerning their professional conduct by a final judgment;
- 4. it or persons having powers of representation, decision making or control over the Company have not been the subject of a final judgment or of a final administrative decision for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organization, money laundering, terrorist-related offences, child labour, human trafficking or any other illegal activity;
- 5. it is in compliance with all its obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions and the payment of taxes in accordance with the national legislation or regulations of the country in which the Company is established;
- 6. it is not subject to an administrative penalty for misrepresenting any information required as a condition of participation in a procurement procedure or failing to supply such information;
- 7. it has declared to WHO any circumstances that could give rise to a conflict of interest or potential conflict of interest in relation to the current procurement action;
- 8. it has not granted and will not grant, has not sought and will not seek, has not attempted and will not attempt to obtain, and has not accepted and will not accept any direct or indirect benefit (financial or otherwise) arising from a procurement contract or the award thereof;
- 9. it adheres to the UN Supplier Code of Conduct;
- 10. it has zero tolerance for sexual exploitation and abuse and has appropriate procedures in place to prevent and respond to sexual exploitation and abuse.

The Company understands that a false statement or failure to disclose any relevant information which may impact upon WHO's decision to award a contract may result in the disqualification of the Company from the bidding exercise and/or the withdrawal of any proposal of a contract with WHO. Furthermore, in case a contract has already been awarded, WHO shall be entitled to rescind the contract with immediate effect, in addition to any other remedies which WHO may have by contract or by law.

Entity Name:	
Mailing Address:	
Name and Title of duly authorized representative:	
Signature:	
Date:	

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Date:

To Administrative Officer WHO Bangladesh

## **Statement of Conformity**

1. No pending Criminal/Civil lawsuits against our company/firm.

Our company/firm is not declared "Bankrupt/Ineligible/Banned" by any of the court in the country.

3. There is no pending major lawsuits and litigations against our company/firm in excess of USD 100,000 at risk (indicate particularly those by licensees or patent infringement) against the Institution/company.

4. Our company/firm has not received any sanctioned by any UN Agencies, World Bank/ADB or diplomatic missions in the Country.

Signature

Name of the Company

Official Stamp

## Annex 9- Statement of Copyright

The Contractor warrants and represents to WHO as follows:

- 1. The deliverables including master copy with source codes and contents shall meet the specifications called for in the Contract and shall be fully adequate to meet their intended purpose for the entire duration. The Contractor furthermore warrants that the deliverables shall be complete and error-free.
- 2. There shall remain no bifurcation or hidden codes or contents or materials that may come up after the completion of the delivery, for which WHO may or may not be required to pay.
- 3. The Contractor shall correct any errors in the deliverables, free of charge, within fifteen days after their notification to the Contractor, during a period of at least one year after completion of the work. It is agreed, however, that errors and other defects which have been caused by modifications to the deliverables made by WHO without agreement of the Contractor are not covered by this paragraph.
- 4. The Contractor shall not use, supply, provide or disseminate source codes or contents or materials delivered to WHO for the purpose of this work of WHO to other parties/entities at cost or no cost.
- 5. The deliverables including master copy with source codes and contents shall, to the extent they are not original, only be derived from, or incorporate, material over which the Contractor has the full legal right and authority to use it for the proper implementation of the Contract. The Contractor shall obtain all the necessary licenses for all non-original material incorporated in the deliverables (including, but not limited to, master copy source codes and contents, licenses for WHO to use any underlying software, application, and operating deliverables included in the deliverables or on which it is based so as to permit WHO to fully exercise its rights in the deliverables without any obligation on WHO's part to make any additional payments whatsoever to any party.
- 6. The deliverables master copy with source code and content developed shall be delivered to WHO after completion of project.
- 7. The deliverables shall not violate any copyright, patent right, or other proprietary right of any third party and shall be delivered to WHO free and clear of any and all liens, claims, charges, security interests and any other encumbrances of any nature whatsoever.
- 8. The Contractor, its employees and any other persons and entities used by the Contractor shall not violate any intellectual property rights, confidentiality, right of privacy or other right of any person or entity whomsoever.
- 9. Except as otherwise explicitly provided in the Contract, the Contractor shall at all times provide all the necessary on-site and offsite resources to meet its obligations hereunder. The Contractor shall only use highly qualified staff, acceptable to WHO, to perform its obligations hereunder.
- 10. The Contractor shall take full and sole responsibility for the payment of all wages, benefits and monies due to all persons and entities used by it in connection with the implementation and execution of the Contract, including, but not limited to, the Contractor's employees, permitted subcontractors and suppliers.
- 11. Except as explicitly provided in the Contract, the Contractor shall keep confidential all information which comes to its knowledge during, or as a result of, the implementation and execution of the Contract. Accordingly, the Contractor shall not use or disclose such information for any purpose other than the performance of its obligations under the Contract. The Contractor shall ensure that each of its employees and/or other persons and entities having access to such information shall be made aware of, and be bound by, the obligations of the Contractor under this paragraph. However, there shall be no obligation of confidentiality or restriction on use, where:
  (i) the information is publicly available, or becomes publicly available, otherwise than by any action or omission of the contractor, or (ii) the information was already known to the Contractor (as evidenced by its written records) prior to becoming known to the Contractor in the implementation and execution of the Contract; or (iii) the information was received by the Contractor from a third party not in breach of an obligation of confidentiality.
- 12. The Contractor, its employees and any other persons and entities used by the Contractor shall furthermore not copy and/or otherwise infringe on copyright of any document (whether machine-readable or not) to which the Contractor, its employees and any other persons and entities used by the Contractor have access in the performance of the Contract.
- 13. The Contractor may not communicate at any time to any other person, Government or authority external to WHO, any information known to it by reason of its association with WHO which has not been made public except with the authorization of WHO; nor shall the Contractor at any time use such information to private advantage.