

Terms of Reference (TORs) for Technical Assistance for (1) Data Validation in all ART Centers in Pakistan; (2) Filling data where incomplete.

INTRODUCTION.

Pakistan like most of the Asian Countries, is facing a concentrated HIV epidemic. Country remained among few regional countries, where the epidemic is still on rise, in term of number of new infections. The HIV epidemic in Pakistan, is characterized by a fast-growing HIV infection among people who inject drugs and to a lesser extent, among the Transgender sex workers. However, among the general population, the prevalence still remains low at 0.1 percent, as per latest Spectrum estimates for 2017.

ART program, in Pakistan was rolled in 2004 and gradually expanded with establishment of 22 Clinics. With an estimated 114,638 PLHIVs; 17,224 were registered at 22 ART clinics, while 8,133 enrolled for treatment, till end September, 2016.

NACP, is executing Global Fund grant, providing Care, Support and Treatment to PLHIV, through provision of ARVs & HIV diagnostics to ART Clinics and Establishment of Community and Home based Care, in the country.

BACKGROUND.

A recent study on 'Community Access to HIV Care, Support and Treatment Services' in Pakistan concluded huge gap, among estimated number of PLHIVs and those registered at the ART Clinics, while fewer PLHIV reported on ART as compared to those estimated eligible for treatment. Key contributing factors described included; number & geographical location of ART clinics, inadequate pre-ART care, high level of stigmatization, perceived lack of staff confidentiality, long distance to treatment sites, lack of health insurance and non-existence of Pre-ART Care & ART treatment literacy.

NACP intends to improve the efficiency of health care delivery for HIV Care, support and treatment, in Pakistan, through minimizing losses, and tracking of lost to follow-up PLHIV along the continuum of HIV Care, Support and Treatment. MIS

PURPOSE OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE;

The purpose of the Consultancy is as follows;

- Following ART Centers will be covered by the consultancy firm;

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S/No	ART Centres
1	PIMS Islamabad
2	Mayo Hospital Lahore
3	Services Hospital Lahore.
4	Jinnah Hospital Lahore
5	Allied Hospital Faisalabad
6	DHQ Hospital Sargodha
7	DHQ Hospital DG Khan
8	DHQ Hospital Gujrat
9	Peds - Services Hospital Lahore
10	Shaukat Khannum Hospital Lahore
11	Indus Hospital Karachi
12	Civil Hospital Karachi
13	Chandka Medical College ART Larkana
14	Hayatabad Medical Center Peshawer
15	DHQ Hospital Kohat
16	Bolan Medical Complex Quetta

- Conduct a review of the data of above ART Centers across following mediums
 - o Manual Patient files.
 - o Manual Registers (ART/Pre ART).
 - o Manual Reports.
- To validate/clean 100% data of above ART Centers.

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PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

- PHASE-1

- An initial orientation will be held with consultants to discuss the technical aspects of the assignment. The tools will be shared with consultant during the orientation, clearly defining the methodology to be adopted.
- The Consultant will be required to review the latest NACP guidelines / recommendations regarding HIV Care, Support and Treatment.

- PHASE-2

- The consultants will visit above said ART Clinics to conduct following activities;
 - Identification of discrepancies in above said tools.
 - Synchronization of data among above said tools.
- Validation reports will be shared with NACP for review and feedback and after incorporation of comments a final document will be required to be submitted by the consultancy firm to NACP.
- M&E from NACP will supervise the consultants and conduct random visits with the consultants in above said activities to ensure accuracy in the task assigned.

DELIVERABLES:

- To complete the data synchronization among all tools at above said ART Center's regarding following areas:
 - Completion of manual tools where needed.
 - Removal of duplication/repetition of data in above said tools.
- Detail activity report submitted to NACP by the Consultant firm.
- Final completion report from the Consultant firm.

TIME FRAME:

Total period for completion of consultation: Two months (52 working days)

EXPERIENCE OF THE CONSULTANCY FIRM:

- a. Already have an experience of performing said activities
- b. Already have their sub offices in different Provinces

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c. Already have report writing skills.

ESTIMATED COST OF THE CONSULTANCY

12500 US Dollars

CONTIGENCY COST

1031 USD (10% of total cost)

Payment schedule:

25% on submission & approval of final draft and signing of contract.

25% on developing of data collection tools and hiring of staff in the field.

25% on sharing 1st draft of final report to NACP by consultant firm.

25% on the submission of final report after review of NACP Technical team.

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