

Selection of a Consultant for Developing Guideline for Operationalizing the concept of Reorganization and Strengthening of Primary Healthcare Delivery System in Sri Lanka

Package No: PHSSP/PROC/2018/09

Application along with the CV and a financial proposal in separate envelope are invited from eligible candidates for the above consultancy by the **Director Primary Healthcare System Strengthening Project, 3rd Floor, J.R.Jayawrdene Center, Dharmapala Mawatha, Clombo 07**. Duly completed application and financial proposals should be submitted in two separate sealed envelope on or before 02.00 pm, 27th September 2018 to reach the above address by hand/ post. “Application for the Consultancy for DLI 1” shall be indicated on the top left hand corner of the envelope.

Terms of Reference (TOR) for the above consultancy is published here with

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Terms of Reference (TOR) for Developing Guidelines for Operationalizing the Concept of Reorganization and Strengthening of Primary HealthCare Delivery System

Primary Healthcare System Strengthening Project

Background

The Government of Sri Lanka has shown its commitment towards improving the Primary Health Care (PHC) services delivery system to face the future challenges by granting the cabinet approval for the policy on Health care Delivery for Universal Health Coverage. This policy will provide the guidance to the health planners and administrators to design the architecture of future health care delivery system

The Ministry of Health, Nutrition and Indigenous Medicine (MoHNIM) has developed a position paper to reorganize and strengthen the PHC system, with the objective of responding to the current and future challenges in the field of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) and unfinished communicable disease control, following an extensive consultation process, titled '**Reorganizing Primary Health Care in Sri Lanka: Preserving Our Progress, Preparing Our Future**'. It suggests a practical strategy which needs commitment by both central and provincial health care providers and administrators. This strategy has been accepted by World Bank for financial assistance and is being supported by other Development Partners (DPs) including WHO, Asian Development Bank (ADB), and Global Fund. The MoHNIM has requested WHO to provide technical support on defining an Essential Services Package (ESP) focusing on management, service delivery, and accountability.

The main objective of the primary health care system strengthening project is to increase the utilization and improve the quality of primary health care services, with an emphasis on the detection and management of Non-Communicable Diseases in high-risk population groups.

While the focus of the project is to address the growing NCD burden, strengthening the PHC system also helps address other remaining challenges in infectious diseases control, particularly dengue and TB

Moreover, the geographic distribution of existing health care workers is skewed toward urban areas (especially Colombo and Kandy districts) and higher levels of care.

Hence the project intends to strengthen the primary health care delivery system in a reorganized strategy to deliver an essential care package which is being formulated with the guidance of an expert from the WHO at present. For the purpose of monitoring the project outcome a results framework with intermediate targets for both DLIs and Non DLIs has been established covering almost every area.

As 990 primary medical care institutes out of 996 comes under the purview of the provincial health authorities a clear unambiguous elaborative set of guidelines should be made available to the implementers before embarking on the project.

Objectives

The objective of this consultancy is to develop a set of guidelines and standards for operationalization of the concept presented in the approved “policy on health care delivery for universal health coverage” and the concept paper titled “Reorganizing Primary Health Care in Sri Lanka- Preserving our progress, preparing our future” submitted for the next World Bank country engagement in the Health Sector in Sri Lanka.

These guidelines should be stated in such a way when referred, the health planners and implementers both at national and provincial/regional level would be capable of transforming into action.

Guidelines should cover the entire scope of the DLIs, requiring policies, standards, implementation guidelines and clinical protocols being referred in the project appraisal document for “**Primary Health Care System Strengthening Project**”

*Any applicant who wishes to refer to the above documents can inquire from the Project Office at 3rd Floor, J.R.Jayawardene Centre, Colombo 7. Tel: 0714398201- Project Director

Activities/ Scope of work

Consultant has to report and be responsible to the Deputy Director General (DDG) (Planning)

Consultant should discuss with the DDG (P) and arrange meetings, discussions, reviewing of drafts etc.

The final draft is expected within a period of two months.

Review the following documents

1. Policy on “Health Care Delivery for Universal Health Coverage” and other documents related to policy such as proposed results frame work

guideline so that all implementers including provincial health authorities will adopt in each province.

Time line and payment schedule

Maximum duration of this consultation is 10 weeks. Work schedule is as follows

No	Activity	Due date	Deliverables	Payment terms
1	Signing contract	Day on signing the contract	Signed contract	10%
2	Initial meeting with the Project Director & DDG(Planning)	Commencement date + day 1	Meeting Minutes	
3	Reviewing documents	Commencement date +week 1	Notes	
3	Gathering of Information	Commencement date +week 2	Inception Report	10%
4	Dialogue with appropriate parties	Commencement date +week 5	Sketch notes approved by DDG(P) to proceed to the 1 st draft	
5	Development of the 1 st draft (both hard and soft copies)	Commencement date + Week 7	Draft guidelines approved by DDG (P) for further review.	40%
6	Review by appropriate parties	Commencement date +Week 8	Review minutes	
7	Development of final draft (both hard and soft copies) and getting approval from DGHS/Secretary	Commencement date +week 10	Approved final draft submission	40%

Supervision and monitoring

Project Director and Deputy Director General of Health Services (planning) will supervise and monitor the process of consultation

Clients Inputs

The PMU will provide following to the selected consultant

- Arrange meetings with the relevant parties and senior officers in the MOHNIM, Provincial MoHNIM and any other sector as required if the need arises.