

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS REPORT

<u>To:</u>	Bidders
<u>From:</u>	UNDP Lebanon
<u>Subject:</u>	Provision of 4 (Four) “Wheat Harvesters” to the Union of Cooperatives in North Bekaa Lebanon
<u>Reference:</u>	LEB/CO ITB/21/17
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UNDP Lebanon Procurement Unit has received several questions regarding the subject Tendering Procedure. All questions received to-date are documented below with respective answers.

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1	<p>Q. Regarding to the technical specifications outlined for the 4 wheat harvesters. We are slightly confused by the requirements to be honest as they seem to depict a harvester that sits between the standard combines on the market for farmers and the smaller plot combines that are available for seed research. For the larger combines you would be looking at 170HP plus with cutting widths much wider than is required, but the plot combines have power much less than the 88HP requested. We have found some harvesters manufactured in Asia that are closer in terms of power and size, but these units do not have representation (as far as we can tell) in Lebanon. I was therefore hoping if the UNDP could clarify whether they are looking for a standard combine harvester that would be for commercial use, or a smaller plot combine unit that is commonly used for seed research. Any information you could give would be appreciated to help us narrow down our search for the right product.</p> <p>A. The required harvesters are small wheat harvesters fit to be used in sloppy areas and small terraces in Baalbeck - Hermel region, where large areas of such lands are cultivated with wheat. These small harvesters are also known in the market as Side hill harvesters or Side Hill Combine Harvesters. The harvesters for research purpose have a header of 1.5 to 1.6 m and more sophisticated and computerized to do experimentation. The ones we need are not for research. As for the engine power, it is mentioned in the specifications that the engine should be not less than 88 HP, so higher engine power can be acceptable. Regarding the header width, the requested width is between 2.00 and 2.50 meters. Anything in between is also acceptable. We are aware that usually large (full size) wheat harvesters used in Lebanon have a header width of 4 m. This is not what is required. The specifications were developed for side hill wheat harvesters, able to work in sloppy areas and terraces.</p>	