

### PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Date: 18 March 2022

Country: Kenya

KEN/IC/025/2022

### **CONSOLIDATING GAINS AND DEEPENING DEVOLUTION IN KENYA**

Joint Devolution Programme (JDP) Mid-Term Evaluation (Evaluation Expert.

Period of assignment/services: 45 working days within a period of two months

Firms are not eligible for this consultancy assignment. Open to National Individual Consultants only.

## Background

Kenya's devolved system of governance, which was instituted with the creation of 47 counties in 2013, offers great promise towards addressing issues related to marginalization, equity, accountability, environment and climate change. The first five years of devolution (2013-2017) provided for the rapid and effective establishment of the county governments. This was followed by the second phase (2018–2022) which focuses on the installation of capacity at national and county levels to address these social, accountability, and environmental issues.

Human development since the advent of devolution has significantly improved. The improvement has been uneven across counties, with the vastly arid and semi-arid northern frontier counties lagging. Poverty rates remain above 80% in these remote, arid and sparsely populated counties where poverty levels adversely affect women, children, marginalized communities and other vulnerable groups.

To address the urgent human development challenges of the most marginalised, UNDP, UN Women and UNICEF incepted the Consolidating Gains and Deepening Devolution in Kenya Programme (Joint UNDP-UN Women-UNICEF Devolution Programme - JDP) to target 14<sup>1</sup> of the most marginalised counties directly. The programme has supported the 14 counties to develop and implement policies, plans and strategies that address equity, inclusivity, accountability and environmental issues while at the same time streamlining revenue collection and budgeting processes.

The programme is implemented by National and County Government partners and non-state actors through a national implementation modality (NIM). Some of the partners include the Ministry of Devolution (MoD), State Department for Gender Affairs, Council of Governors (CoG), Kenya School of Government (KSG), the County Assemblies Forum (CAF), Commission on Revenue Allocation, Office of the Auditor General, Office of the Controller of Budget, Kenya Institute of Policy Analysis and Research (KIPPRA) and Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS).

The programme is founded on the realisation that devolution and marginalisation are complex issues that are best addressed through a joint programme combining the strengths of multiple UN agencies,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Busia, Garissa, Isiolo, Kajiado, Kilifi, Mandera, Marsabit, Narok, Samburu, Tana River, Turkana, Wajir, West Pokot, Lamu

national government stakeholders and county government institutions with expertise in key sectors and lead roles in the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals. The Joint programming was also a recommendation by the mid-term evaluation of the Strengthening Devolved Governance in Kenya project and the midterm and end-term evaluations of the Integrated Support Programme to the Devolution Process in Kenya project.

### The deliverables of the assignment are:-

The deliverables for this review will include the following documents:

- Inception Report: The inception report should detail the evaluators' understanding of what is being evaluated and why, showing how each evaluation question will be answered by way of proposed methods, proposed sources of data and data collection procedures. This will consist of but is not limited to the following sections: a). Stakeholder map b). Evaluation matrix including evaluation questions, codification, indicators, data collection methods, sources of information; c). Overall evaluation design and methodology including sampling techniques to be applied; d). Description of data gaps, including techniques and tools to be used (e.g., Focus Group Discussions, Key Informant Interviews, etc.); and detailed work plan of the assignment<sup>2</sup>.
- Draft MTE report which will be presented to stakeholders in a workshop (physical, virtual or hybrid).
- Final MTE report incorporating stakeholder inputs. The report format will include but not limited to: Executive summary, introduction, the development context, findings and conclusions, lessons learnt, and recommendations
- A PowerPoint presentation on main findings, conclusions and recommendations of the evaluation for dissemination and debriefing purposes.
- An electronic version of data collected and data sets analysed.

## **Qualifications and Evaluation Criteria (Minimum 70 points)**

Criterion	Weight 100%	Max. Points
Advanced degree in Project Management, Strategic Management	20%	20
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public policy, monitoring and evaluation, gender or other relevant		
disciplines		
At least 7 years of professional experience in conducting and	10%	10
managing evaluation and must have evaluated		
projects/programmes in governance, social protection, gender and		
disaster management sector.		
At least five years' experience in conducting programmatic	10%	10
evaluations of complex projects in the development sector in		
developing countries		
Proven experience in data analysis and reporting	15%	15
Demonstrable knowledge of and ability to apply theoretical	10%	10
knowledge in the design, management and evaluation of complex		
multidisciplinary projects supported by multiple development		
partners		
Have a strong understanding of the devolved governance context in	10%	10
Kenya		
Exposure to the UN system will be an asset	5%	5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A detailed template of Inception Report will be provided at the time of developing the Report

A comprehensive technical approach for undertaking the	20%	20
assignment		
Total (Maximum obtainable points)	100%	100

# **Application Process**

Applicants are requested to submit their all-inclusive fee proposal in Kenya Shillings using the financial proposal template provided (Offeror's letter to UNDP). The financial proposal should be all-inclusive and include a breakdown. The term 'all-inclusive" implies that all costs (professional fees, travel-related expenses **including to the 14 counties**, communications, utilities, consumables, insurance, etc.) that could possibly be incurred by the Contractor will be factored into the financial proposal. Financial evaluation (maximum 30 points):

The following formula will be used to evaluate the financial proposal:

 $p = y (\mu/z)$ , where

p = points for the financial proposal being evaluated y = maximum number of points for the financial proposal  $\mu$  = price of the lowest-priced proposal z = price of the proposal being evaluated

### **Duration of the Work**

45 working days spread over a period of 2 months.

## **Application process**

Interested and qualified candidates should submit their applications which should include the following:

- 1. Detailed Curriculum Vitae
- 2. Proposal for implementing the assignment template provided
- 3. Offeror's letter to UNDP template provided

Note: The successful applicant will be required to complete a UNDP Personal History Form (P11) form prior to contracting.

Applications should be sent to <a href="mailto:consultants.ken@undp.org">consultants.ken@undp.org</a> to reach us not later than Monday, 28 March 2022 by 5.00P.M Kenyan Time (GMT+3.00)

Please quote "KEN/IC/025/2022 - Evaluation Expert for JDP Mid Term Evaluation" on the subject line.

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