

TERMS OF REFERENCE

LOCAL ADMINISTRATION REFORM PHASE III

LOCAL INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT FOR DEVELOPING THE SERVICE STANDARDS ENSURING THE MMS AND ITS DISTRICT MUNICIPALITIES TO USE 10% OF THEIR CAPITAL BUDGETS FOR THE INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS IN RURAL AREAS (AS DEFINED IN THE LAW NO: 6360)

1 BACKGROUND

IPA II Indicative Strategy Paper for Turkey (2014-2020) targets the improvement of Public Administration Reform (PAR) coordination, policy-making, civil service and public administration organization and governance and service delivery to citizens and businesses, including at local level.

The new legislation adopted in the past years in the field of local administration, has expanded the scope of the responsibilities of local administrations in the provision of public services, as well as in the promotion of the social and economic development of the relevant communities.

Relevant to the recent developments in the field, the 10th National Development Plan, put into effect in June 2013, underlines the negative effect of lack of technical and institutional capacities at the local level on quality and efficiency of local service delivery, while reiterating the importance of increasing institutional capacities of the new metropolitan municipalities (MMs) established in accordance with the Law No. 6360. The Plan also highlights the importance of deploying participatory tools in local administrations in order to support further reforms on including non-governmental organizations, private sector and unorganized civil society to local decision-making processes. In this vein, the 10th National Development Plan focuses on identification of priorities at the local level and efficient use of local resources as it identifies the main beneficiaries of the Plan as local authorities, MMs, universities, professional organizations and NGOs. In specific terms, the following objectives for LAR under the Plan are entrusted to the coordination of Ministry of Interior (MoI):

- Increased efficiency in local service delivery,
- Strengthened capacities of local administrations in terms of human resources, management and strategic planning,
- Strengthened capacities of local administrations in terms of project management,
- Enhanced inclusion of universities, NGOs and professional organizations in local decision-making processes.

In line with the objectives of the 10th National Development Plan, the Strategic Plan of the MoI for 2015-2019 identifies the priorities and the core values of the MoI as; the rule of law, respect for human rights, transparency, commitment to ethic values, participation and delivery of efficient and good- quality services. The Strategic Plan highlights the importance of ensuring efficiency, effectiveness, participation, openness and accountability at local administrations as one of its main goals. The Strategic Plan sets five thematic areas and results as i) Establishing a peaceful environment via strengthening internal security services and coordination in accordance with human rights norms, ii) Increasing pace and quality of services provided by local authorities including governorates and district governorates, iii) Promoting development of civil society, iv) Deployment of information technologies as a facilitator in efficient provision of services and v) Increasing the pace and quality of the services provided by the MoI.

The Government of Turkey adopted the Strategy for Increasing Transparency and Strengthening the Fight against Corruption in 2010 and updated the Strategy in 2016. One of the strategic objectives of the referred Strategy also focuses on increase of institutional capacities of local administrations, strengthening decentralization and democracy by ensuring attendance and transparency. Currently, the local authorities are obliged to develop their own websites and disclose the important decisions taken at the referred websites for a period of 15 days.

In the scope of the LAR-II, a white paper was developed for the MoI, which outlines the short, medium- and long-term policy options to be pursued to have a full-fledged LAR in the scope of Turkey's EU Accession process. This Project addresses to the short-and medium-term policies those will form the basis of long-term policy options for the Government of Turkey. Besides, the Project at hand represents a continuum of the first and second phases of EU-funded LAR projects, in the scope of which required legislative framework were improved and put into place through phased approach. Besides, this Project, which is the third phase of LAR, will also address the needs that will be explored for effective implementation of the metropolitan municipality model that was introduced after the completion of LAR-II.

With a view to further support implementation of Local Administration Reform in Turkey, MoI and UNDP collaborated on design and implementation of the third phase of the LAR Project. In this sense, Local Administration Reform Phase III Project is an EU-funded technical assistance project.

Within the scope of a Direct Grant Agreement, signed between Central Finance and Contracts Unit (CFCU) and UNDP and endorsed by Delegation of the European Union to Turkey (EUD), Ministry of Interior General Directorate for Provincial Administrations (MoI/GDPA) will be the executive agency of the Project and will work closely with Ministry of Environment and Urbanization (MoEU/GDLA) to achieve the expected outputs. In that respect, the implementing partners of the Project are Ministry of Environment and Urbanization (MoEU), Ministry of Treasury and Finance (MoTF) and Union of Municipalities of Turkey (UMT).

The overall objective of the Project is to ensure effective, inclusive, accountable and participatory local governance in Turkey, in particular through support to further implementation of the LARs undertaken between 2003-2013, in line with international standards. The specific objective of the project is to develop and strengthen the administrative capacity and cooperation of MoI, MoEU and Local Authorities themselves in the task of ensuring the effective implementation of the new local administration model in line with principles of democratic governance.

The Project aims to achieve the following results:

- Administrative and operational capacities for efficient provision of local services enhanced,
- Administrative and operational capacities of the local authorities for the implementation of new Metropolitan Municipality Model strengthened,
- Institutional capacity of the local authorities in terms of service delivery and adoption of the principles of democratic governance enhanced,
- Public awareness on urbanization enhanced through institutional and individual capacity enhancement programmes,
- Efficiency of the local services enhanced through online managements systems.

LAR Phase III is composed of three components:

Component 1- Effective Local Service Delivery:

The main objective of Component 1 is to provide support and recommendations to the MoI and MoEU for the development of draft legislations, which will enable MoI and MoEU and their staff as well as local administrators (mayors; deputy mayors; heads of the clerk's department, the financial services department and the planning departments of municipalities) to exercise effective local service delivery methods in the overall local administration scheme.

<u>Component 2- Capacity Building for New Metropolitan Municipality Model and Inclusive Local</u> <u>Governance Processes</u>

The main objective of Component 2 is to assess the impact of municipal legislation and enhance the institutional capacity of the local authorities responding to the new responsibilities they are to undertake with the enforcement of new Metropolitan Municipality Model in 2012. In addition, the needs for transparent processes at local authorities will be addressed in the scope of Component 2.

Component 3- Online Management Information Systems Installed and Updated

The MoI initiated two important databases with YEREL BILGI and BEPER Projects in the past, one of which is not in use anymore. YEREL BILGI aims to provide information about local administrations, special provincial administrations, their corporations, municipalities and corporations belonging to municipalities, district governorates, villages, and associations affiliated to GDLA through a single database. With this Component, the Project will contribute to improved flow of information and increased accessibility of the available data produced in the form of secondary legislation, decrees and decisions, both at the national and local levels and within the country. Under the current state of functioning, there is no systematic that enables to access all relevant and updated data which prevent to make decisions in a holistic way. MoEU holds its new responsibilities concerning the local authorities after the introduction of the presidential system of government in July 2018 and the Project will address the effective communication flow within the departments of the MoEU as well as update of the YEREL BILGI in a way to ensure its linkage with the local. In addition, the technical capacity for effective use of YEREL BILGI will be enhanced and relevant MoI staff will transfer the accumulated knowledge to the staff of MoEU.

Against this background, architecture of project components and activities are as the following:

Local Administration Reform Project in Turkey- LAR III Overall Objective

o ensure effective, inclusive, accountable and participatory local governance in Turkey, in particular through support to further implementation of the LARs undertaken between 2003-2013, in line with international standard

Spesific Objective				
To develop and strengthen the administrative capacity and cooperation of Turkish MoJ, MoEU and Local Authorities themselves in the task of ensuring the effective implementation of the new local administration model in line with principles of democratic governance.				
Component 1:Effective Local Service Delivery	Component 2: Capacity Building for New Metropolitan Municipality Model and Inclusive Local Governance Processes	Component 3: Online Management Information Systems		
R.1.1. Administrative and operational capacities for efficient provision of local services enhanced	R.2.1. Administrative and operational capacities of the local authorities for the implementation of new Metropolitan Municipality Model strengthened,	R.3.1. Efficiency of the local services enhanced through online managements systems.		
A.1.1. Establish a Support Group on Legislation Drafting Process of MoI and MoEU (SGL) and Consultative Group of Local Authorities (CGLA)	A.2.1.1. Assess the impact of the implementation of legislation on local authorities	A.3.1.1 Develop a software to facilitate the communication flow within the departments of the MoEU $$		
A.1.1.2. Develop recommendations for the development of a draft legislation for strengthening the loan system of local authorities through assessment of country experiences	A.2.1.2. Develop a software system for monitoring of the progress against the implementation of reforms in local administration	A.3.1.2. Update of the YEREL BILGI Project management system in the light of developed Software system		
A.1.1.3. Develop recommendations for the development of a draft legislation for increasing the income of local authorities in line with other country experiences	A.2.1.3. Develop modelling for the implementation of new Metropolitan Municipality Model in different contexts and enhance cooperation and collaboration among the MM based on the modeling developed	A.3.1.3. Develop a user-friendly guideline for the use and update of the system		
A.1.1.4. Develop recommendations for amendment of the relevant provisions of the Law No: 3572 and Regulation for Business License	A.2.1.4. Develop and Deliver Customized General Management and Job Skills Training Modules for the Use of the GDLA/MoEU and GDPA/MoI to be delivered to new MM	A.3.1.4. Deliver tailor-made trainings to the staff of MoI on effective use of the software system in alignment with YEREL BILGI management system		
A.1.1.5. Develop the standards and principles for the establishment of an effective human resources management system in local administrations	A.2.1.5. Conduct a study on the projection of new local administration system, which will be introduced with the abolishment of special provincial administrations in accordance with the Law No: 6360			
A.1.1.6. Develop the service standards ensuring the MMs and its District Municipalities to use 10% of their budgets for the infrastructure works in rural areas (as defined in the Law No: 6360)	A.2.1.6. Conduct a current situation analysis concerning the evolving role of neighbourhood management and road map for its improvement in light with the new local administration system, mainly the introduction of new MMs			
A.1.1.7. Develop a comparative assessment on effective collection of municipal accounts receivable	R.2.2. Institutional capacity of the local authorities in terms of service delivery and adoption of the principles of democratic governance enhanced,			
A.1.1.8. Develop a performance management system to be adopted in MMs and District Municipalities A.1.1.9. Develop recommendations for the development of a draft legislation on the functioning of municipality-led enterprises in line with EU Member States experiences	A.2.2.1. Develop and implement local service delivery standards in order to simplify the processes for service provision A.2.2.2. Develop and Implement Participatory Local Governance Model for 14 new MMs			
A.1.1.10. Develop recommendations for the development of a draft legislation regulating the legal and institutional infrastructure of Water and Sewerage Administrations	A.2.2.3. Assess EU experiences with good practices and lessons learned for enhancing transparency and accountability in local authorities and develop recommendations to a draft secondary legislation for enhancing transparency and accountability in local authorities			
A.1.1.11. Conduct technical visits to 3 EU member states	A.2.2.4. Develop a policy paper on reforming the Local Government Electoral System and Strengthening of Municipal Councils			
A.1.1.12. Develop recommendations for the development of a secondary legislation (regulation) for honours and ceremonies arranged by local authorities	R.2.3. Public awareness on urbanization enhanced through institutional and individual capacity enhancement programmes,			
$A.1.1.13. \ Assess the impact born by localizing EU acquis on the work and responsibilities of local authorities in Turkey$	A.2.3.1. Conduct Needs assessment for public awareness on urbanization targeting the disadvantaged groups (population affected by internal migration, youth, women, children)			
A.1.1.14. Develop and publish a full comparative assessment study on functioning of the local authorities	A.2.3.2. Design and implement capacity enhancement programs on urban awareness for the staff of Women Centers, Child Development Centers and other relevant social service units A.2.3.3. Design and implement capacity enhancement programs on urban			
	awareness to be delivered to selected staff of MM			

2 OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF THE ASSIGNMENT

The objective of this Individual Consultancy is to receive high quality technical consultancy and support services within the scope of Activity A.1.1.6. "Develop the service standards ensuring the MMs and its District Municipalities to use 10% of their capital budgets for the infrastructure works in rural areas (as defined in the Law No. 6360 dated 2014)" of Component 1 of the Project.

Metropolitan Municipality (MM) concept in Turkey was first introduced in early 1980s, in response to address the growing needs of big provinces such as Istanbul, Ankara and Izmir whose public service provision needs went well beyond the capacities of individual municipalities of within the provinces. First Istanbul, Ankara and Izmir were made metropolitan cities which were later to cover the whole boundaries of each province, including rural communities. Mentioning of rural communities (more specifically villages), their basic public service needs of infrastructural nature (roads, sewage, etc.) used to be covered by another local government entity, namely Special Province Administrations (SPAs) which were then named as "municipalities of villages". The functions of SPAs in those cities were later transferred to MMs and their legal entity status were removed. At the very beginning of metropolisation of such provinces, dismantling of SPAs did little effect in the daily lives of villages, as these three cities were predominantly industrial and urban life highly penetrated into rural sections of the provinces. Yet later there were other attempts to increase the number of Metropolitan Municipalities through variety of laws. Total number of MMs reached to 14, including provinces like Kocaeli adjacent to Istanbul in 2004 by the Law No. 5216. With the introduction of Law No. 6360 in 2014, another 16 MMs added to bring the total number of MMs to 30. As a result, total number of rural settlements (villages) which were 34.337, reduced to 18.217 out of which status of 16.129 villages were converted into as neighbourhood (mahalle) status.

Since then, one of the biggest controversies among the academic circles and in public administration was such that of how the concept of municipality was usually perceived within an urban context could be integrated into the service provision modality in rural communities which still stay as agrarian settlements once served by SPAs. With the removal of SPAs in 30 MMs, there are now talks that the MMs model should be expanded to cover the remaining 51 provinces, in which the rural settlements are still served by SPAs. The addition of more metropolitan municipalities into the system also brings out another problem of roles and responsibilities of metropolitan municipalities and metropolitan district municipalities in rural development, which also fall under the remit of various central government agencies such as Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Agriculture and Rural Development Support Agency, State Hydraulic Works Department, etc.

At the first stage of transferring the service delivery needs of the rural communities to MMs, idea was such that MMs should focus on infrastructural needs of villages. With infrastructural needs of villages as the focal point of service delivery to rural communities, Law No. 6360 stipulated that MMs and its district municipalities -with the exception of Istanbul and Kocaeli- are to allocate 10% of their capital budgets for the infrastructure needs of rural areas. This contribution is to be allotted towards infrastructural needs of rural areas through developing standards for prioritization of such needs that can be differentiated across the MMs and district municipalities.

Nevertheless, over the time, since the introduction of Law No. 6360, the efforts of MMs had not only concentrated on rural infrastructure. MMs are increasingly moving into the area of rural economic development through initiatives such as free provision of seeds and livestock, along with contractual agreements with rural cooperatives guaranteeing purchases of agricultural products, etc. This also calls for developing standards for provisioning of such services. This need is to be explored in Activity 2.2.1 with inputs and insights from the work of "International Individual Consultant for Developing the Service Standards Ensuring the MMs and its District Municipalities to Use 10% of Their Capital Budget for the Infrastructure Works in Rural Areas (As Defined in the Law No. 6360)" (International IC), by benefiting from EU experiences. Therefore, the first expectation from the activity to be undertaken by the IC under this ToR is to develop these standards for rural infrastructure expenditures to constitute at least 10% of the capital budgets of MMs and its District Municipalities as detailed in Article 4 and Article 6.

3 ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Unless otherwise noted;

- UNDP: United Nations Development Programme
- AFAD: Ministry of Interior Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency
- MM: Metropolitan Municipality
- MoAF: Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry
- MoI: Ministry of Interior
- MoTF: Ministry of Treasury and Finance
- MoEU: Ministry of Environment and Urbanization
- MoH: Ministry of Health
- ARDSI: Agriculture and Rural Development Support Institution
- GDLA: General Directorate of Local Authorities
- UMT: Union of Municipalities of Turkey
- CO: UNDP Country Office in Turkey
- PSB: Presidency of Strategy and Budget
- TAT: Technical Assistance Team
- IC: Individual Consultant
- SGLDP: Support Group on Legislation Drafting Process
- CGLA: Consultative Group of Local Authorities
- IDG: Inclusive and Democratic Governance
- FG: Focus GroupWS: WorkshopPT: Project Team
- STE: Short Term Expert

4 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT

4.1 Comparative Assessment Report and Developing Service Standards Ensuring the MMs and its District Municipalities to Use 10% of Their Capital Budgets for the Infrastructure Works in Rural Areas (as defined in the Law No. 6360)

At the beginning of the assignment, the IC will conduct number of interviews and meetings (and/or online interviews and meetings) with a view of identifying problem areas and solutions in developing standards for ensuring the MMs and District Municipalities to use 10% of their capital budgets for infrastructure works in rural areas. In this regard, the IC will first prepare the current situation analysis report as a basis for developing the service standards. For that purpose, the IC will also participate in consultative meetings with the members of CGLA to draft the service standards to be introduced to all 30 MMs, together with the International IC and PT. At least one standard will be developed to provide a common definition for rural infrastructural expenditures to calculate the 10% threshold for monitoring purposes through the YEREL BILGI System. In addition, the IC will look for possibilities of developing different standards for MMs and its district municipalities in terms of deciding on planning and prioritizing rural infrastructural investments. In this regard, the IC will work in close cooperation with the International IC to benefit from his/her findings to be reflected in the final report. The IC will also prepare semi structured interview questions in cooperation with the International IC.

To this end, it is expected that the referred standards will be reflected to the Strategic Plans of the MMs and/or Performance Program and the Project will make the effort for its advocacy in 3 selected MMs, in consultation with MoEU, MoI and UMT. The PT with the support of the ICs will review the Strategic Plans, Performance Programs and Investment Programs of the 3 selected MMs and will provide recommendations for improvement based on the developed standards.

The IC will also work in cooperation with Gender Expert to be assigned by UNDP, to reflect the gender perspective on the referred standards, if applicable.

4.2 Review and Recommendations Report

The results of the review and the recommendations will be compiled in a report by the IC with the support of the PT and the International IC. The review and the recommendations report will be shared with the 3 referred municipalities at first and then with all 30 MMs.

5 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF UNDP

UNDP will provide all relevant background documents. UNDP is not required to provide any physical facility for the work of the IC. However, depending on the availability of physical facilities (e.g. working space, computer, printer, telephone lines, internet connection etc.) and at the discretion of UNDP and relevant stakeholders, such facilities may be provided at the disposal of the IC. UNDP will facilitate meetings between the IC and other stakeholders, when needed.

All documents and data provided to the IC are confidential and cannot be used for any other purposes or shared with a third party without any written approval from UNDP.

6 DELIVERABLES

The Assignment will include interim and final deliverables, as stipulated below. The IC is expected to deliver the below outputs/deliverables to the satisfaction of UNDP:

Activity	Deliverable	Due Date	Estimated Number of Person/days to be Invested by the IC*	Place of Work
Fact finding visit/online interviews	N/A	15 January 2021	5	Home-based or Turkey
Consultative meetings with the members of CGLA to draft the service standards to be introduced to all 30 MMs	Current Situation Analysis Report Draft service standards to be introduced to all 30 MMs	31 March 2021	13	Home-based or Turkey
Finalize service standards to be introduced to all 30 MMs	Final service standards to be introduced to all 30 MMs	30 June 2021	5	Home-based or Turkey
Review of the Strategic Plans, Performance Programs and Investment	Review and Recommendations Report	31 July 2021	12	Home-based or Turkey

Programs of the 3 selected MMs and provide recommendations for improvement based on the developed standards			
Estimated Maximum Total Number of Person/Days		35	

^{*}The "Estimated Number of Person/Days" indicated herein represent the maximum person/days that will be the basis of the payment to the IC throughout the contract validity. The payments to the Consultant will be based on the actual number of person/days invested for the development of each specific deliverable. The total person/days of the IC (consecutive or non-consecutive person/days) dedicated to the assignment shall be at a maximum 35 person/days between 4 January 2021 and 28 October 2021. Payments to the IC within the scope of this Assignment cannot exceed equivalent of 35 person/days.

Reporting Language: All reports should be submitted in Turkish with Executive Summary in Turkish. The final version of the main reports (or outputs as specified in Article 6) will be translated into English by UNDP for contractual purposes. The IC is expected to check the content and proof-read both the English and Turkish versions of draft and final reports.

Reporting Format: Reports will be written and formatted in conformity with the "LAR III Report Writing Guidelines" that can be obtained from PT upon request.

Title Rights: The title rights, copyrights and all other rights whatsoever nature in any material produced under the provisions of this ToR will be vested exclusively in UNDP.

The IC will have the overall responsibility for the conduct of the evaluation exercise as well as quality and timely submission of the above indicated reports to UNDP.

Visibility: IC should respect visibility rules applied in EU-funded projects which can be found in the link below:

https://www.avrupa.info.tr/sites/default/files/2018-01/communication-visibility-requirements-2018 en 0.pdf

The minimum qualification requirements and/or experience are presented below:

	Minimum Qualification Requirements	Assets	
General Qualifications & Skills	University degree in public administration, political science, economics, public finance and business management, agricultural and/or food engineering, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, city and regional planning, rural planning or agricultural economics	Advanced degree in public administration, economics, political science, public finance and business management, agricultural and/or food engineering, mechanical engineering, civil engineering, city and regional planning, rural planning or agricultural economics	
	Fluent written and spoken English and Turkish, with excellent reporting skills		
	Minimum Qualification Requirements	Assets	
	Minimum 10 years of general professional experience	More than 10 years of general professional experience	
General Professional Experience	Minimum 5 years of experience in managing / advising on central and/or local government projects	More than 5 years of professional experience in central and/or local government projects	
		Experience in projects within Turkish Public Administrations	
	Minimum Qualification Requirements	Assets	
Specific Professional Experience	Minimum 5 years of experience in managing Turkish central and local government projects in economic development, investment planning or rural economic development	More than 5 years of experience in managing Turkish local government projects in economic development, investment planning or rural economic development	
		Experience in agricultural support systems and/or planning of irrigation and/or rural road construction or water and/or sewage and/or sanitary systems	
		Experience in Turkish local government finance and investment programming	
		Experience in assignments related to rural development and/or investment planning and/or agricultural development	

Notes:

- Internships (paid/unpaid) are not considered professional experience.
- Obligatory military service is not considered professional experience.
- Female candidates are encouraged to apply.

8 TIMING AND DURATION

The Assignment is expected to start on 4 January 2021 and is expected to be completed by 28 October 2021.

9 PLACE OF WORK

Place of work for the assignment is Home-based and Ankara, Turkey. The costs to arise regarding flight tickets to be acquired by the Individual Consultant in order to join and leave the Duty Stations shall be borne by the Individual Consultant. The prospective ICs are expected to take this into consideration whilst determining their Daily Fee. The assignment may require travels to other provinces within Turkey with respect to project needs and the duties and responsibilities of the IC stated above.

The travel, accommodation costs (bed and breakfast) and living costs (terminals, intra-city travel costs, lunch, dinner, etc.) of the missions to other provinces within Turkey will be borne by UNDP. UNDP will arrange flight tickets through its contracted travel agency. In case travel is needed, all travel related costs (cost items indicated below) of these missions out of the duty stations (economy class roundtrip flight ticket and accommodation in 3 or 4-star hotel) will be borne by UNDP. Approval of UNDP is needed prior to the missions.

The costs of these missions may either be;

- Arranged and covered by UNDP CO from the respective project budget without making any reimbursements to the IC or
- Reimbursed to the IC upon the submission of the receipts/invoices of the expenses by the IC and approval of the UNDP. The reimbursement of each cost item subject to following constraints/conditions provided in below table;
- Covered by the combination of both options

The following guidance on travel compensation is provided as per UNDP practice:

Cost item Constraints		Conditions of
		Reimbursement
Travel (intercity transportation)	full-fare economy class tickets	1- Approval by UNDP
	Up to 50% of the effective DSA rate	of the cost items before
Accommodation	of UNDP for the respective location	the initiation of travel 2- Submission of the
	Up to 6% of the effective DSA rate	invoices/receipts, etc.
Breakfast	of UNDP for the respective location	by the IC with the
	Up to 12% of the effective DSA rate	UNDP's F-10 Form
Lunch	of UNDP for the respective location	3- Acceptance and
	Up to 12% of the effective DSA rate	Approval by UNDP of the invoices and F-10
Dinner	of UNDP for the respective location	Form.
Other Expenses (intra city transportations,	Up to 20% of effective DSA rate of	1 011111
transfer cost from /to terminals, etc.)	UNDP for the respective location	

10 PAYMENTS

Payments will be made within 30 days upon acceptance and approval of the corresponding deliverables by UNDP on the basis of payment terms indicated below and the pertaining Certification of Payment document signed by the consultant and approved by the responsible Project Manager.

Deliverable	Due Date	Estimated Number of Person/days to be Invested by the IC	Payment Term
Current Situation Analysis Report Draft service standards to be introduced to all 30 MMs	31 March 2021	18	Upon submission and completion of pertaining deliverable/outputs to the satisfaction of UNDP, on the basis of the actual number of person/days invested (not to exceed the estimated person/days defined by UNDP)
Final service standards to be introduced to all 30 MMs Review and Recommendations Report	31 July 2021	17	Upon submission and completion of pertaining deliverable/outputs to the satisfaction of UNDP, on the basis of the actual number of person/days invested (not to exceed the estimated person/days defined by UNDP)
Estimated Maximum Total Number of Person/Days			35

The total amount of payment to be affected to the Individual Consultant within the scope of this Assignment cannot exceed equivalent of 35 person/days. The Individual Consultant shall be paid in TRY if he/she resides in Turkey. If he/she resides in a country different than Turkey, the payment shall be realized in USD through conversion of the TRY amount by the official UN Operational Rate of Exchange applicable on the date of money transfer. The amount paid to the expert shall be gross and inclusive of all associated costs such as social security, pension and income tax, etc.

If the deliverables are not produced and delivered by the consultant to the satisfaction of UNDP as approved by the Project Manager, no payment will be made even if the consultant has invested person/days to produce and deliver such deliverables.

Tax Obligations: The IC is solely responsible for all taxation or other assessments on any income derived from UNDP. UNDP will not make any withholding from payments for the purposes of income tax. UNDP is exempt from any liabilities regarding taxation and will not reimburse any such taxation to the IC.