

Terms of Reference for Project Development and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant within the scope of Enhancing Access to Public Services and Recourse for Violence Against Women (VAW) Survivors Project

1. BACKGROUND

Violence against women (VAW) is still among the most significant challenges every day, everywhere in the world, including Turkey, and remains as one of the most persistent human rights violations. VAW is systematically violating women's rights to live in security and restricting their equal participation in various aspects of social life. Currently, the COVID-19 pandemic may be exacerbating the problem, as women and girls are confined indoors under lockdowns and quarantines for extended periods of time, often with the men who are perpetuating the violence against them.

Significant progress has been made in Turkey regarding the improvement of legal regulations on VAW and implementation of policies developed for the elimination of the VAW. These include, among others, the enactment of Law No. 6284 on the Protection of Family and Prevention of Violence against Women, the launch of legislative reports, the establishment of specialist offices within law-enforcement agencies and prosecution services to deal with cases of VAW, the rise in the number of shelters. However, despite all the efforts, it is observed that VAW continue throughout Turkey -as it is in the other countries in the world- and women are subject to violence at any point in their lives.

UNDP is committed to continuing to provide support to the Government of Turkey and other partners to eliminate VAW and empower women in Turkey. UNDP, with experience in managing projects, key partnerships and programmes on legal aid service provision and access to justice, is well positioned to provide technical assistance on legal aid for VAW survivors. In this regard, "Enhancing Access to Public Services and Recourse for Violence Against Women (VAW) Survivors Project" is designed to lay the foundation for a solid engagement in equality, rule of law, access to justice and human rights area that responds to immediate needs emerging from the COVID-19 pandemic and addresses longer-term recovery.

The Project has 4 outputs:

- 1) Recommendations report produced for strengthening VAW response mechanisms
- 2) Enhanced capacities of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) which provide tailored services to VAW survivors
- 3) Awareness raised about VAW response mechanisms among justice sector actors
- 4) Bar Associations supported for improved legal aid service delivery and coordination

A Project Development and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant will be recruited within the scope of the second output (Enhanced capacities of CSOs which provide tailored services to VAW survivors) of the Project. The Individual Consultant (IC) will be engaged for the period between 20 September 2021 and 31 December 2021. The IC will be responsible for providing applied trainings on project development and monitoring to relevant CSOs which provide tailored services to VAW survivors and the delivery of related Project outputs as detailed throughout this Terms of Reference, in close cooperation and communication with UNDP Project Team (PT).

2. OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE

The objective of the assignment is to design and deliver applied trainings on project development, along with monitoring and evaluation of relevant CSOs which provide tailored services to VAW survivors under the below specified output of the Project, with a view to strengthen the CSOs' capacity in their



service delivery. The IC is expected to contribute to the effective preparation and delivery of related outputs in a high quality and timely manner.

The IC will take part in and contribute to realization of the following output:

Output 2 - Enhanced capacities of CSOs which provide tailored services to VAW survivors

The output will be planned and conducted with the coordination of the CSOs attending the trainings.

3. DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT (IC)

The IC is expected to perform the following tasks:

- Develop a training methodology and content about project development, project monitoring and evaluation for CSOs, including but not limited to the following topics:
 - Project types for CSOs and funding organizations,
 - Call for proposals and the preparation stages for the application,
 - Writing a project proposal, including tips for developing a winning proposal,
 - Designing the project life cycle,
 - Conducting stakeholder analysis,
 - Determining the indicators,
 - Creating an applied logical framework,
 - Defining the risk and mitigation measures,
 - Cost management,
 - Monitoring and evaluation of project activities,
 - Defining indicators, targets and timeframes for monitoring project progress and achievements,
 - Monitoring and tracking of results against indicators and targets,
 - Fundamentals of evaluation, evaluation tools and key concepts,
 - Result based monitoring and evaluation,
 - How to use information to improve results effective cycling of monitoring and evaluation to feed project preparation phase.
- Provide information about upcoming calls for proposals to CSOs, including different types of calls for proposals, application period and scope of calls, conditions for application, tips for proposal writing per call types, networking and awareness raising for national/international collaborations,
- Prepare relevant training materials,
- Deliver the trainings,
- Apply case studies and exercises to check the learning outcomes of the participants,
- Participate in and contribute to meetings with project partners, as and when requested by UNDP,
- Prepare ad hoc reports, briefs and/or presentations, as and when requested by UNDP.

The trainings will be performed considering both theoretical and practical (exercising) aspects and are expected to develop the capacities of CSOs which provide tailored services to VAW survivors in project development, management, monitoring and evaluation. Case studies, exercises and real/sample studies are expected to be applied throughout each day of the trainings, so that the participants gain practical exercise on design of the log-frame (to correctly set result-indicator-activity relations in particular), hands-on experience and professional insight for performing effective project development and monitoring and evaluation.



The IC's functions do not include managerial, supervisory and/or representative functions. The IC shall work in close cooperation with the UNDP Project Team and will report to the Project Manager of "Enhancing Access to Public Services and Recourse for Violence Against Women (VAW) Survivors Project".

The above listed activities are subject to further revision with the consent of UNDP, in coordination with the CSOs in line with the emerging requirements of the Project. If required by UNDP, the IC may provide additional consultancy services related to her/his competencies and expertise, in line with the Duties and Responsibilities stipulated in this Terms of Reference.

4. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF UNDP

UNDP will provide background materials, for the IC's review, reference and use. Neither UNDP nor any of the Project partners are required to provide any physical facilities for the work of the IC. However, depending on the availability of physical facilities and at the discretion of UNDP and/or the relevant Project partners, such facilities may be provided at the disposal of the Consultant. UNDP and/or the relevant Project partners will facilitate meetings between the IC and other stakeholders, when needed.

The IC will be reporting to the Project Manager of "Enhancing Access to Public Services and Recourse for Violence Against Women (VAW) Survivors Project" and will work in close coordination and collaboration with other Consultants of the Project. Approvals will be required for the deliverables from UNDP, upon submission of the deliverables stipulated in Article 5.

After submission of the deliverables listed in Article 5, UNDP may have some comments and revision requests on the deliverables. The IC shall address the comments of UNDP and shall revise the deliverables as per the comments within at most 10 calendar days following notification of comments by UNDP to the IC.

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

5. EXPECTED OUTPUTS AND DELIVERABLES

The **Project Development and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant** is expected to deliver the below outputs/deliverables:

Deliverables/Outputs	Estimated Number of Person/days to be Invested by the IC (Indicative)	Due Dates	Review and Approvals Required
Preparation of training content and methodology	2 Person/days	18 October 2021	UNDP Project Manager
Delivery of trainings (3 days training for project development and 2 days training for M&E)	5 Person/days	21 November 2021	UNDP Project Manager
Reporting on trainings including training evaluation survey results	1 Person/day	10 December 2021	UNDP Project Manager
Estimated Total Number of Person/days (Indicative)		8 Person/days	



The number of person/days are solely provided to give the IC an idea on the work to be undertaken. The payment for each deliverable will be made in accordance with the lump-sum price of each deliverable, irrespective of the number of person/days to be actually invested by the IC for the completion of each respective deliverable.

• Reporting Line

The IC shall be responsible to the Project Manager for the completion of the tasks and duties assigned in Article 3 and 5 of this ToR. The reports shall be submitted to the Project Manager for approvals.

• Reporting Language and Conditions

The reporting language shall be in Turkish and English. All information shall be provided in electronic versions in word and PDF format. The IC shall be solely liable for the accuracy and reliability of the data provided and links to sources of information used.

• 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 Turkey CO.

6. TIMING AND DURATION

The Assignment is expected to start on 20 September 2021 and be completed by 31 December 2021.

In order to fulfill required tasks for the development of deliverables as defined and listed in the table above in Article 5, the **estimated** number of person/days to be invested is also provided solely as indicators. The number of days presented as 'estimated number of person/days to be invested' is **indicative**. The IC may invest less/more than the estimated number of person/days for each deliverable and finalize the respective deliverable. The person/days will not be linked with the payments.

The payment for each deliverable will be made on the basis of the lump-sum price of the respective deliverable.

7. PLACE OF WORK

Place of work for the Assignment is Home-based. The IC may be requested to travel to/within Turkey. The travel costs, accommodation costs (bed and breakfast) and living costs (terminal expenses, intracity travel costs, lunch, dinner, etc.) of the missions to other provinces of Turkey will be borne by UNDP. UNDP will arrange economy class round-trip flight tickets through its contracted Travel Agency.

In case of need of additional travels that are unforeseen in the ToR, the costs of the respective travels of the IC may either be:

- Arranged and covered by UNDP from the respective budget without making any reimbursements to the IC, through UNDP's official Travel Agency 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 is subject to the following constraints/conditions provided in below table or,
- 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 of the cost items before
Accommodation	Up to 50% of the effective DSA rate of UNDP for the respective location	the initiation of travel 2- Submission of the
Breakfast	Up to 6% of the effective DSA rate of UNDP for the respective location	invoices/receipts, etc. by the IC with the UNDP's
Lunch	Up to 12% of the effective DSA rate of UNDP for the respective location	F-10 Form 3- Acceptance and
Dinner	Up to 12% of the effective DSA rate of UNDP for the respective location	Approval by UNDP of the invoices and F-10
Other Expenses (intra city transportations, transfer cost from /to terminals, etc.)	Up to 20% of effective DSA rate of UNDP for the respective location	Form.

As per UNDSS rules, the IC is responsible for completing necessary online security trainings and submitting certificates and travel clearance prior to assignment-related travels.

8. REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

The qualification requirements and/or experience for **Project Development and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant** are presented below:

	Minimum Qualification Requirements	Assets
General Qualifications	 Bachelor's degree in law, international relations, political science, sociology and/or any other relevant field Good command of spoken and written Turkish and English Full computer literacy 	Bachelor's degree in law, international relations, political science, sociology and/or any other relevant field
General Professional Experience	Minimum 7 (seven) years of general professional experience	Knowledge on the work and activities of non-governmental organizations working in the field of women's rights in Turkey
Specific Professional Experience	Minimum 2 (two) years of experience in providing trainings on project development and monitoring and evaluation	 More than 3 (three) years of experience in providing trainings on project development and monitoring and evaluation Experience in and/or knowledge on subjects such as gender mainstreaming, gender equality, gender-based violence and/or other related fields

Notes:

- Internships (paid/unpaid) are not considered professional experience.
- Obligatory military service is not considered professional experience.
- Professional experience gained in an international setting is considered international experience.
- Experience gained prior to completion of undergraduate studies is not considered professional experience.



UNDP is committed to achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, race, ethnicity, indigenous identity, disability and culture. Individuals from all genders, minority groups, indigenous groups and persons with disabilities are equally encouraged to apply. All applications will be treated with utmost confidentiality.

The IC should avoid any kind of discriminatory behavior including gender discrimination and ensure that:

- Human rights and gender equality are prioritized as an ethical principle within all actions
- Activities are designed and implemented in accordance with "Social and Environmental Standards of UNDP"
- Any kind of diversity based on ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, disability, religion, class, gender is respected within all implementations including data production
- Inclusive approach is reflected within all actions and implementations, in that sense an enabling and accessible setup in various senses such as disability gender language barrier is created
- Necessary arrangements to provide gender parity within all committees, meetings, trainings, etc. are introduced.

9. COMPETENCIES

The IC needs to have below competencies:

- Ability to design and develop time plans and resource schedules for complex tasks and task groups,
- Ability to work in multi-disciplinary and multi-cultural teams,
- Ability to work under pressure against strict deadlines,
- Ability to think out-of-the-box,
- Ability to present complex issues persuasively and simply,
- Ability to contextualize global trends in accordance with the dynamics of the operating (working) environment,
- Ability to collaborate,
- Ensure gender disaggregated data and gender analysis which will be conducted in gender responsive research methods and technics,
- Ensure use of gender responsive language in written and oral presentations, reports and handouts etc.,
- Ensure human rights standards are applied, and gender equality is prioritized as an ethical principle within all actions.

10. PAYMENTS

Payments will be made within 30 days upon the approval of deliverables by UNDP, along with the Certification of Payment Form (COP) on the basis of the lump-sum price of that respective deliverable and pertaining payment documents signed by the IC and approved by the responsible Project Manager. While the IC may invest less or more than estimated number of person/days for each deliverable different than the estimated person/days stipulated in the table in Article 5, nevertheless the payment to be affected to the IC for each deliverable will be based on the lump-sum price of the respective deliverable.

If any of the deliverables stipulated in Articles 3 and 5 of this Terms of Reference are not produced and delivered by the IC in due time and to the satisfaction of UNDP, no payment will be made even if the IC has invested person/days to produce and deliver such deliverables.



The IC shall be paid in USD if he/she resides in a country different than Turkey. If he/she resides in Turkey, the payment shall be realized in TRY through conversion of the USD amount by the official UN Operational Rate of Exchange applicable on the date of money transfer.

The amount to be paid to the IC is fixed regardless of changes in the cost components. The price proposal amount should be indicated in gross terms and hence should be inclusive of costs related to tax, social security premium, pension, visa (if needed), etc. UNDP will not make any further clarification on costs related to tax, social security premium, pension, visa, etc. It is the ICs' responsibility to make necessary inquiries on these matters.

<u>Tax Obligations:</u> 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.