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Tender No. 10048955

**Tender Title: DEVELOPMENT OF GENDER TRANSFORMATIVE APPROACH (GTA) STRATEGY AND 125 GENDER SENSITISATION
ACTIVITIES IN BARABANKI & SITAPUR, UTTAR PRADESH**

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S.No.	Query	Response by GIZ
1	Consortium (Page 3) On Page 3, under the subheading "Consortium", it is mentioned that the lead partner/agency should provide documentary evidence of its own agency (and not of consortium partners) to meet all the criteria defined under "grid for assessing the eligibility of firms." Does this imply that the Lead firm has to meet all the eligibility criteria itself? Is it possible for GIZ to allow all consortium partners to together satisfy all the eligibility criteria?	The lead agency has to meet the eligibility criteria. No change is possible.
2	Annexure "A", Item 1 – Declaration covering the GWB clauses Item 1 of Annexure "A" (Bidding Conditions) asks for a "Declaration covering the GWB clauses in Eligibility grid", with details "defined in Legal Inferences document". That document is not in the tender package. Please: (i) share the Legal Inferences document, or confirm that the signed "Compliance Declaration" annexure is the only declaration needed for Item 1, and (ii) confirm how bidders should show compliance with the Section 22 LkSG ground in the GAEF (Part A, Sr. No. 11), since the Compliance Declaration covers only Sections 123 and 124 GWB. Is a separate declaration or format required?	Legal inferences is named as "Compliance Declaration" in tender documents. The bidders are requested to print in on their company's letterhead, Sign, Stamp (if adhere to the guidelines) and Submit.
3	Section II – Technical Eligibility Assessment Under Section II, "Technical Eligibility Assessment", it is mentioned that "The technical assessment is only based on reference projects with a minimum commission value of Euro 8000". Does it refer to the contract value of the reference project?	Yes, the contract value of the reference projects i.e. minimum Euro 8000.
4	Part B, Sr. No. 1 – Technical experience	(i)The five listed areas will be assessed, cross-cutting here means

	The heading refers to "up to five specialist areas, including cross-cutting themes", but no document separates specialist areas from cross-cutting themes. Please confirm: (i) that the five listed criteria are the areas assessed, with no separate cross-cutting category; and (ii) whether one reference project can be cited as evidence under more than one of the five criteria, given that criteria 1–3 overlap.	any 1 or more eligibility areas mentioned may cut-across in other themes as well not mentioned in the % areas. (ii) Yes. The bidder may cite one reference project for other areas as well, considering it has substance related to that/those area(s).
5	Part B, Sr. No. 1 – Documentary evidence for Technical Experience Similarly, what kind of documentary evidence will be acceptable to justify the 5 eligibility criteria listed under Technical Experience?	"At least 05 years of experience in conducting assessments; audio-video documenting lessons, developing case studies and knowledge products.", this is self explanatory yet while working on projects, case studies are produced, audio/video testimonials are made, Knowledge Products are developed and some project requires assessments it can be baseline, endline or a frequent capturing of progress.
6	Part B, Sr. No. 3 – Experience of development projects (ODA-financed) Under Sr. No. 3, on "Experience of development projects (at least 50% ODA-financed)", does the minimum limit of 50% apply to the number of projects or the value of projects? What documentary evidence will be needed to support this	
7	Budget cap Is there any budget cap that we should take into consideration?	It is a competitive tendering; bidders are requested to quote their best market price.
8	Tasks to be performed by the contractor; Point 3 – Design of Sensitisation Framework and Implementation The GTA activities are indicated to be done for 125 families (100+25). However, the 250 Gender Champions have to be selected from 250 farming households. Since this is an ongoing activity along with the GTA activities, please confirm that GTA will be for only 125 households and the Gender Champions will be identified from a larger pool of households that the Implementing Agency will be engaged with. According to this, the selection criteria for identifying 125 households from the larger pool will also have to be identified.	125 GTA Activities (community level events like Street Plays, Puppet shows among others) will be performed, for a large pool of households. During those GTA Activities/community level events the agency will facilitate and identify those 250 households, where both men and women will be selected.
9	Tasks to be performed by the contractor; Point 4 – Capacity Building Framework and Tool We understand that the activities prior to this will be done at	No, the module 1 and module 2 will be delivered to the households directly, and the agency selected for this tender is the implementing agency for this activity and its objectives.

	household and community levels directly. For this section specifically, the training modules (1 and 2) will be delivered in a Training of Trainers format for the implementing agency. Please confirm.	
10	Milestones to be achieved during the contract – (n.) Endline assessment of GTA interventions, including assessment of changes in gender attitudes, household decision-making, women's participation, and engagement of male household members. Please confirm if the project documents, including the Gender Norms Study findings and Needs Assessment reports, include a baseline understanding (qualitative and quantitative proxy indicators) of the "gender attitudes, household decision-making, women's participation, and engagement of male household members".	Yes, it does.
11	Number of households to be covered under GTA interventions: The ToR mentions the development/nurturing of 250 Women Gender Champions from 250 Champion Households and development of training modules for 250 farming households. However, the implementation milestones refer to progressive coverage of approximately 50, 85 and finally 125 farming households. Kindly clarify the final number of households expected to receive household-level GTA/capacity-building interventions under the assignment and how this relates to the 250 Champion Households.	So, the target was to achieve identification of 1 such household (after the completion of the GTA event at the community level) that will be further trained to develop women/gender champion and that household will be recognised as champion household. Later, we increased the number from 1 to 2 women/ households per event, and hence it shows 250 households with one woman and one husband from one household. The couple will be trained. And when we reward these champions, the woman will be recognised as woman champion and the husband who is actively engaging himself and the household to create a gender sensitive space will be awarded the household champion award. It is assumed that the woman and man will be from the same household. These households have to be mandatorily project households only.
12	Women Gender Champions and Champion Households: Kindly clarify whether the requirement of 250 Women Gender Champions and 250 Champion Households refers to 250 women drawn from 250 corresponding households, or whether the Women Gender Champions and Champion Households are intended to constitute two separate beneficiary groups. We would also appreciate clarification on whether an indicative distribution of these beneficiaries is envisaged between the Shubh Samridhi and Mint-	The idea is that the woman who is identified and developed as Gender champion is getting support at the household level hence, the male and the female are assumed to be from the same household. And in the same manner if a husband understands the need for gender sensitisation and gender equality, and the woman feels supported to participate in economic activities, take agency, access resources and part of the household decision-making.

	UP project areas.	The bifurcation is clearly defined in the ToR as 100 for Shubh Samridhhi and 25 for Mint UP.
13	Expert days for Team Leader cum GTA Expert: In the specification-of-inputs table, 100 expert days are indicated for the Team Leader cum GTA Expert, while an additional figure of 120 appears in the corresponding row. Kindly confirm the maximum number of expert days to be considered for the financial proposal for this position.	120 is a typo. Please consider 100
14	Distribution and format of the 125 gender sensitisation activities: The ToR specifies 100 activities under Shubh Samriddhi and 25 under Mint-UP. Kindly clarify whether the bidder is expected to propose the village/location-wise distribution and mix of intervention formats within these 125 activities as part of the technical proposal, or whether the specific locations and activity mix will be finalised jointly with GIZ/project partners during the inception phase.	Since, we have not shared any village list. It's on the bidder's discretion.
15	Baseline/reference for the endline assessment: The ToR requires an endline assessment covering changes in gender attitudes, household decision-making, women's participation and engagement of male household members. Kindly confirm whether a corresponding baseline dataset and/or assessment tool will be made available by GIZ/project partners, or whether the selected agency will be expected to establish the baseline/reference values as part of the initial review and assessment process.	It is to be done by the selected agency itself. However, on the Gender Norms Study, one may find the discussed gender disparity, cultural norms exist in the region, yet the agency has to define their base that will help GIZ understand what changes could be brought.