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**TERMS OF THE REFERENCE**

**HIRING A RESOURCE PERSON TO CONDUCT A NATIONAL STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION WORKSHOP IN PAKISTAN TO IDENTIFY THE ELIGIBLE PROJECT ACTIVITIES TO BE IMPLEMENTED UNDER THE COMPONENT II OF PLEASE PROJECT**

**WORLD BANK FUNDED PLASTIC FREE RIVERS AND SEAS FOR SOUTH ASIA PROJECT**

**Country: Pakistan**

**Implementation Partner: South Asia Cooperative Environment Program**

**Assignment Period: 6-Man days**

## Background

The regional “**Plastics Free Rivers and Seas for South Asia**” project (**PLEASE**) is a World Bank **funded** regional initiative which is executed by the South Asia Cooperative Environment Program (SACEP). The Project aims to strengthen innovation and coordination of circular economy solutions to plastic pollution flowing to south Asian seas.

The Project Development Objectives are based on a combination of two medium-term outcomes such as, to strengthen the innovation of circular plastic economy approaches across South Asia and, to strengthen the coordination of circular plastic economy approaches amongst the public, private sector, and non-government stakeholders in SACEP member countries. These align with the objectives of project components which are;

- (1) to improve the identification and testing of plastic pollution mitigation solutions;
- (2) to increase leveraging of policy solutions and public-private sector engagement in plastic pollution, waste, and leakage mitigation across the value chain
- (3) to strengthen regional integration institutions.

the term ‘innovation’ in the project development objectives refers to better policies, strategies, plans, standards, technologies, and investments at both national and regional levels that will reduce the amount of plastic pollution flowing into rivers and seas across South Asia.

In line with the above project development objectives, three main project components have been defined to achieve project outcomes in a timely manner.

**Component 1. Supporting Competitive Block Grant Investments to Reduce Plastic Waste**

**Component 2. Leveraging Public and Private Sector Engagement and Solutions**

**Component 3: Strengthening Regional Integration Institutions**

**Leveraging Public and Private Sector Engagement and Solutions:**

The objective of this component is to improve regional and national strategies, policies, action plans, and standards based on better analysis, and to facilitate the transition of the region to a more circular plastic economy through public-private sector intervention, dialogue, and cooperation.

The component would also support the convening of public and private sector decision-makers to discuss and agree on mainstreaming circular plastic economy solutions and approaches. This component will be undertaken through two proposed subcomponents:

**Subcomponent 2.1: Enabling Policies, Standards, and Analytics:** This subcomponent supports the development of strategies, action plans, policies, and standards to harmonize plastic pollution mitigation measures

through:

(a) developing and implementing a multi-year plastic policy support program, working with leading universities and organizations;

(b) developing a database for lifecycle analysis, data collection, and modeling related to plastic across, selected industry value chains; and

(c) supporting communication activities. Such policy will be incorporated into policy revision, planning, and investment processes across the region, including modification of existing standards and regulations governing private sector organizations.

**Subcomponent 2.2: Enabling Regional Public and Private Engagement:**

This subcomponent supports the circular use of plastic in the economy through regional public-private collaboration and engagement in South Asia, including designing and organizing annual or more frequent meetings of representatives from the public and private sectors.

Activities supported will bring public and private sector representatives together to review and discuss strategies, policies, and standards (developed under subcomponent 2.1) that can accelerate South Asian countries toward a more circular and reduced use of plastics in the economy. More specifically, it will support the design of regional convenings as a part of SACEP's regular convening of stakeholders; support costs associated with such annual or more frequent

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meetings of public sector policy and decision makers with private sector representatives, including the sharing of best practice public-private partnership (PPP) solutions from within the region and beyond; and proactively disseminate same.

## **Objectives of the assignment**

Accordingly, PLEASE project has taken initiatives to organize country-specific Stakeholder Consultations workshops. This is to achieve the key objective of identifying gaps in policy dimensions and Market based instrument etc. which are enabled in Pakistan and also to harness the interventions available through the Public Private engagement in the circular plastic economy in the country which will be implemented under component II.

The selected Consultant will assist and facilitate national stakeholder consultation workshop in Pakistan and expected to carry out the following tasks;

He/She will have to,

1. Facilitate a workshop for stakeholders to identify the need for improvements in various regulatory areas required to control pollution caused by plastic waste.
2. Help the participants to assess gaps in both regulatory policies and market-based practices enacted by the Member State to reduce plastic pollution, taking into account stakeholder comments and suggestions.
3. Facilitate to Identify improvements to be made to existing regulations in the country, within the scope of Component II of PLEASE project.
4. Determine the needs and required priority areas that the project should facilitate in transitioning to a more circular plastics economy through private and public sector engagement.

## **Specific Scope of works/Task**

The consultant has to specifically perform the following tasks.

1. Provide necessary support to the Ministry of Climate change to map out the stakeholders to be invited to the workshop:
  - a. the resource person is responsible for reviewing the list of invitees proposed by the NFP and provide the necessary advice to prepare the list in a manner conducive to be more fruitful.
  - b. Ensure the equitable participation of all potential stakeholders in the workshop representing the public and private sector sectors

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2. Preparatory discussions- The Resource person is required to conduct a preparatory meeting with Ministry of Climate change prior to the workshop. The objective of these meetings is to share the views of regulatory authority and collect necessary information on the interventions already taken by the ministry and in the pipeline to enhance the circular plastic economy in Pakistan.

### **3. Leading the workshop**

Resource person has to lead the all events of the Workshop including Presentations and discussion to orientate the dialog towards expected objectives.

### **4. Obtaining views of Stakeholders through the Group work and discussions**

Resource person has to conduct Group activities and presentation events during the workshop to obtain the views and suggestions of Stakeholders. It should be structural group work and each group will be assigned some topic related to the scope of component II of the PLEASE project. Finally, the group presentation and discussion should be well guided by the resource person to achieve the desired results

### **5. Compiling Final Report**

Resource person is required to prepare and submit a detailed reports on Outcomes of workshop. This report should contain Suggestions for eligible project activities to be implemented in Pakistan to overcome the identified gaps in Existing Plastic Waste Management Policy, Strategy, Action Plan, and Market Base instruments practiced in Pakistan such as.

- Description on existing Policy and regulatory mechanism of Pakistan
- Status of Market base Instruments applied to reduce plastic waste issues such as EPR
- Identified gaps in both Policy and Implementation of above setup in Pakistan
- Recommendations to overcome prevailing issues through the Public and Private engagement
- Specific list of Project ideas which can be used to formulate action plan to Component II of the Project

## Timeline

Consultancy contract will be 6-Man days spread out in one month period from effective date of contract. The resource person has to prepare and submit detail report within seven working days following the workshop.

## Methodology

- Desk review of existing regulatory literature and analysis.

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- Discussions and meetings.
- One day comprehensive Stakeholder consultation workshop.

### Deliverable Plan

- **Inception report:** The inception report shall be submitted within one week (two intermittent working days) of signing the consultancy agreement. It may contain status of study, proposed work plan, structural guidance to organizing workshop and schedule date to submit to PIU
- **Final Report:** Final report shall be submitted to Director General of SACEP with copy to concerned NFP of SACEP within 7 days from Consultation workshop. It should include a summary profile of the workshop including the findings of the entire study, findings on gaps in existing country regulations and standards etc., list of proposed reform requirements of existing country level regulatory instruments in line with the scope of Component II, basis for prioritization of requirements.

### Works station

Necessary data review and field trips will be conducted in the country and the reporting office will be the country focal point office in SACEP. The venue of the workshop will be decided by the country focal point of Pakistan

The resource person will have to report to NFP of SACEP of Pakistan and to work closely with the PIU/SACEP .

### Recruitment Qualifications:

#### Educational qualifications:

Degree in relevant field with post graduate qualification in Environmental Science, Environment management, Chemistry, Environment engineering, Polymer or Material engineering or related discipline.

PHD in relevant area will be highly preferable.

#### Experience:

Minimum 15 years' experience in Plastic waste management, Marine Pollution prevention and Waste related strategy developments.

## Language requirements

Fluency in spoken and written English. Additional local language knowledge will be advantageous.

## Functional Skills will be expected

- Continuous approaches with energy and a positive attitude to timely delivering the inputs
- Ability to prioritize the works, needs and, and multitask as needed;
- Ability to work independently with limited supervision.
- Ability work cooperatively in different setup of organization involved in

## Data document and facilities to be provided by client

- Any supporting documents like Project Operation Manual, Bassline survey report, Environmental and Social Management frame work and approvals necessary for the completion of the consultant's
- The Consultants shall verify the correctness of the data/information provided by the Client and satisfy them about the accuracy of data/information /material before these are used. Data/information /material provided to the consultants shall remain the property of the originating agency and shall be provided solely for the purpose of the work to be done under this contract.
- Access to reports disclosed by the World Bank.
- Assistance to arranging meetings with the member countries.

## Financial Plan

Remuneration of the resource person is negotiable