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Obtaining Technical Assistance

The Ministry of Health, Nutrition & Indigenous Medicine is the Principal Recipient of four grants awarded by the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM). The four grants involve in the prevention and control of HIV/AIDS and Tuberculosis, prevention of re-introduction of Malaria in to Sri Lanka and Strengthening of the Health System (HSS) in the Northern Province. The grants are expected to run up to end of 2018.

Applications are called from qualified and experienced individuals for the following position at the GFATM Project - National Programme for Tuberculosis Control and Chest Diseases (NPTCCD) Grant.

Development of an Infection Control Policy, Guidelines, Activity plan and Monitoring Indicators for TB facilities – National Consultant/ Consultants

In National Manual for Tuberculosis Control Published by National Programme for Tuberculosis & Chest Diseases (NPTCCD), Sri Lanka has a Comprehensive chapter on Infection Control. The Laboratory Manual Published by NPTCCD also includes infection control relevant to laboratories.

The joint Monitoring Mission held in June 2014, also made several recommendations such as revision of guidelines, ensure strict implementation of infection control measures at all health facilities and all health workers in TB clinics, wards and laboratories are screened for signs and symptoms of TB on a regular screening for Health staff and the infection control measures at all health facilities, but drafted IC Policy is available. Some district chest clinics have established Infection control committees and conducting screening programmes for their health staff but not in a proper manner.

At present, there are no separate documents available at NPTCCD as a TB infection control policy and guideline on TB infection control other than the draft IC policy document.

Considering all above facts, NPTCCD has decided to get the technical assistance from a National Consultant or Consultants for this activity

Required qualifications, experience and competencies

1. More than 10 years' experience as a Consultant / Specialist in the relevant field (infection control), a Diploma and a MD (Doctor of Medicine) holder in Medical Microbiology.
2. Experience in preparation of guidelines, manuals and other relevant documents in related field

The selected National Consultant/ Consultants

1. Should review the existing General Manual, Laboratory manual and other existing documents including draft of IC policy available at NPTCCD, supervision reports on IC at DCC level by central staff, report of joint Monitoring Mission 2014 and other mission reports published by the NPTCCD, in order to identify gaps and needs.
2. Should do, the fact – finding visits to selected facilities to get the idea on current situation.
3. Should review the available policies in other sectors and in the region
4. Should draft an Infection Control Policy including all the aspects of infection control from home environment to treating and diagnosing in health institutions & high-risk environments such as correctional facilities, refugee camps.
5. Should draft Guidelines on Tb infection control which includes an activity plan for implementation of guidelines and Monitoring indicators.
6. The prepared draft documents should be presented to a forum of twenty-five which includes consultants and other stakeholders in order to refine the content. This group includes relevant NPTCCD staff, Consultant Microbiologists in hospitals consultant Respiratory Physician, District Tuberculosis Control Officers, Infection control nursing officers (one from National Hospital for Respiratory Diseases and one from District Chest Clinic), one Regional Epidemiologists, and One Medical Officer of Health, One Public Health Inspector and a Representatives from correctional facilities. (these meetings were identified under the budget line 355 of NFM grant
7. Should finalize Infection Control Policy, Guidelines after getting the comments from consultants and Stakeholders

Time Frame

- ✓ Five weeks
- ✓ Estimated Cost for five-week consultancy – Rs.500,000.00

All applications should be sent along with CV and copies of relevant certificates and documents in order to prove the qualification and experience. State “**Application for Post of [indicate the post applied]- GFATM Project**” on top of the left side of envelope to reach the below address within 14 days of this advertisement.

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