

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR ELECTORAL SYSTEMS

[RFA-23-012_Inclusive National Identity Card Registration in Pakistan] Questions and Answers

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Q1. Generally, our organization implements the programmes through its member RSPs in the target districts. We need to know whether the sub-awarding of the grant to the member RSPs will be allowed.

IFES Response: It is acceptable to include local partners/affiliates in the budget as part of the proposed management of the program. If this requires the issuing of subcontracts on this award, such subcontracts would be subject to IFES approval prior to being issued.

Q2. As we understand, taxes are not deducted in grant projects; however, the budget template requires the allocation of taxes. Can you please explain the nature of funding under this RFA?

IFES Response: Applicants should include any required taxes as part of their proposed program. If an organization is not required to pay taxes, this budget category can be excluded from the proposed budget.

Q3. Our organization charges management fee, which is not highlighted in the budget template. Can we add the line item for the management fee?

IFES Response: Management fees are not an allowable expense for this RFA. However, applicants may include a request for indirect costs up to 10 percent of the total direct costs of the program.