



INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR ELECTORAL SYSTEMS

Request for Applications RFA 21-017

Questions and Answers

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Q1. What is the select district name in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) where this project activity is going to be implemented?

- IFES Reponses: Target districts are not pre-determined under this RFA. Interested applicants should propose any districts with strong rationale behind selection and importance to the overall activity objective in the technical narrative. Applicants are required to only have one selected district in both Punjab and KP provinces. The select districts can also be in any location (east, west, south, etc.) of each province as long as a robust explanation for the noted districts is linked to the project objective and noted in the technical narrative.

Q2. Can an organization express their interest in reaching more than one district?

- IFES Reponses: The minimum criteria per the noted scope of work is one district per each province (Punjab and KP). A rationale for inclusion of additional districts per province is not a requirement but can be provided by applicants with a strong justification for selection in the technical narrative. IFES reserves the right to approve implementation in only two districts in total (at minimum) in the final award.

Q3. Under this RFQ will there be just one award to a single partner to implement activities in both provinces?

- IFES Reponses: Yes, IFES anticipates issuing one award under this RFA for one local partner to implement in both provinces.

Q4. How many youth leaders in total will be engaged through this initiative?

- IFES Reponses: A total of 75 youth leaders from one university and one higher secondary school in each district will be engaged through this initiative. This will lead to a total of 300 youth leaders engaged to conduct community voter education activities

Q5. Is this a pilot initiative? If so, what are the prospects for continued engagement on success?

- IFES Reponses: Yes, IFES will be piloting the youth voter outreach initiative known as “Chiragh se Chiragh” (C2C) (trail blazers), ahead of the upcoming local government with select higher education institutes/universities to engage and train youth university leaders across both provinces to conduct community-based voter education. The selected applicant would be required to demonstrate support in monitoring of youth leaders awareness efforts and conduct post-awareness session monitoring to measure progress and impact following activity

completion. Partners are encouraged but not required to note post-program follow-up and/or engagement in the technical narrative in the form of reporting, follow-up and other monitoring support.

Q6. Its unclear what is required by an applicant when it comes to adapting IEC materials?

- IFES Reponses: Under this RFA, the selected applicant will design and develop IEC materials including posters, pamphlets, animated videos, banners etc. for use during training of youth leaders, community awareness and education sessions. Given that these materials will also be used on social media/web portal the selected applicant would be required to adapt developed materials for use on social media and web-based platforms to allow for a multi-channel dissemination of voter education materials.

Q7. What is the total budget IFES is looking for from potential partners for this RFA?

- IFES response: As part of this RFA, IFES will not release a set budget cap. Interested organizations should instead provide a competitive budget based on the detailed scope comprised in the RFA.

End of Questions and Answers