



Informational Webinar on Call for Concept Notes to Improve SRMNCAH

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Is the \$90,000 for beginners?

A: CORE Group is recommending that those organizations that have been operational for between 1-3 years apply for the US \$90,000 grant and those organizations with over 3-5 years of experience in implementation and receiving funds apply for the middle-tier grant (\$175,000), and organizations with over 5 years of experience programming and receiving funds to apply for the largest grant (\$250,000)

Q: Is the local NGOs / women-led NGOs criteria mandatory or just preferred?

A: Preference will be given to NGOs/CSOs that are led by women, youth, or people with disabilities.

Q: Can INGO apply for these grants /Are international organizations building capacities of local NGOs eligible?

A: The objective of the small grants for scaled impact is to strengthen the capacity of local NGOs/CSOs and therefore international NGOs are not eligible to apply for a grant.

Q: Could you please let us know how many total number of proposal would be granted?

A: CORE Group is going to fund 3 proposals, one for US\$90,000, one for US\$ 175,000 and one for US\$ 200,000.

Q: How many organizations will be selected from Bangladesh?

A: At this point we cannot say how many organizations will be selected from any of the countries. The selection will be based on the quality of concept notes and proposals that we receive.

Q: How many organizations will be selected from the each country?

A: Please see the answer to the question above.

Q: Is there a possibility for more than one organization in each country to receive a grant?

A: Yes, as we mentioned above, selection of the organizations that will be awarded a grant will be based on the quality of the concept notes and proposals that we receive.

Q: Is an organization that works with gender diverse populations in particular with the transgender community and is led them eligible to apply for the grant?

A: Yes, the organization is eligible to apply for a grant.

Q: Can a national NGO apply for grants?

A: Yes, they can.

Q: Will pilot projects be prioritized or projects which are already ongoing or have generated evidence to scale?

A: Both types of projects will be considered. We also encourage innovative projects and ideas.

Q: We have been dealing with the similar type of projects funded by other donors for the more than 5 years in the CHT region in Bangladesh. There still exists a huge demand and supply gap. Do you have any special priority for the CHT region?

A: We are not prioritizing any specific regions/locations within the priority countries for this project.

Q: Can one organization apply for more than one grant?

A: Yes, they can but we would like to award the grants to diverse organizations so our recommendation would be that an organization applies for a single grant.

Q: I have a question about budgets. Do you need to provide a detailed budget or just select the size of the grant specified in the call?

A: We do not require any budget information for the concept notes stage. Please only indicate the size of the grant that you are applying for. Budget details will be requested if selected to submit a full proposal.

Q: Can an organization that is led by an ex-drug user get priority for the grants or any other issue?

A: Preference will be given to NGOs/CSOs that are led by women, youth, or people with disabilities.

Q: Do you have guidelines?

A: Please use slide #10 in the presentation: Concept Notes Components & Evaluation Criteria as your guideline to develop the concept note.

Q: Will an organization have an advantage in a project like contraception if they have previous experience of working with contraception education with adolescents' school clubs?

A: Preference will be given to NGOs/CSOs that are led by women, youth, or people with disabilities, however the rest will depend on the quality of the concept note and if all the components have been addressed.

Q: Can we apply to address multiple topics in a single concept note or do we have to make a different concept note for another topic?

A: An organization can apply for more than one of the priority topics, but as we mentioned during the webinar, if you decide to do this, please be mindful of the implementation timeframe and the capacity of your organization to implement multiple interventions.

Q: We have been working for two years and we have the registration for local grants, can we apply together with another organization?

A: Yes, you can partner with another organization and apply for a grant jointly.

Q: Do we have to submit our organization's registration document?

A: You do not have to submit your registration documents with your concept note. Proof of registration will be required if selected to submit a full proposal.