

Funding Opportunity Title: Building Capacity of Afghan Government Media Outreach
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RFGP Questions and Answers

Question 1. Please clarify eligibility requirement “Non-Afghan organizations or companies are required to partner with an Afghan organization or company.” Are we considered a non-Afghan organization if we are an International NGO that is registered with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and are 100% Afghan staffed and led in-country?

Answer: For the purposes of this RFGP, an organization based in Afghanistan that is Afghan led and run would be considered an Afghan organization.

Question 2. What is meant by partnering in the above eligibility statement? Does this mean coordination and soliciting input either with NGOs, government agencies (such as the three ministries), or others? Or does partnering mean that part of the budget and implementation of activities is to be shared with an Afghan organization?

Answer: Partnering with an Afghan organization means a subcontracting with an Afghan organization to jointly implement the project.

Question 3. Has PAS already had discussions with these three ministries and they are aware and in agreement with the proposed activities? If the project should consider the three ministries as partners, does this mean a portion of the budget should also be allocated to the ministries to spend for activities? If so, is there a suggested amount or % that should be subgranted to the ministries?

Answer: Yes, each of the three ministries mentioned in the RFGP are aware of and have agreed to the proposed training. The ministries are the recipients of the training. They should not be considered as partners of the implementing organization. The budget for this project is intended to provide training. No portion of the budget should be allocated to the ministries to spend on their activities.

Question 4. Could you please provide us an information how many travels during the month will be required?

Answer: All training is to take place in Kabul. No travel outside of Kabul is anticipated.

Question 5. As we suppose it will be necessary for all of the ministries travel all over the country, is it necessary public relations and assistance to attend all of the travels to support the Ministry? If yes, we would like to know if it will be once a month or rather maybe 10 times a month?

Answer: See previous answer.

Question 6. When the project is starting? Is it before the election campaign or after?

Answer: The project would begin as soon as possible after the grant is awarded and once the terms of the agreement are finalized between the Grants Officer, the implanting organization and the ministries involved.