

**TERMS OF REFERENCE(TOR) FOR THE CONSULTANCY ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT.**

<b>PROGRAMME/PROJECT</b>	<b>PROMOTING THE RESILIENCE AND PEACEFUL CO-EXISTENCE FOR COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY THE CLIMATE CRISIS IN SOMALIA.</b>
<b>PROJECT NUMBER</b>	<b>A-SOM-2024-0210</b>
<b>PROJECT CODE</b>	<b>09-094888</b>
<b>PROGRAMME PHASE</b>	<b>IMPLEMENTATION PHASE</b>
<b>ACTIVITY NAME</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT</b>
<b>TYPE OF ACTIVITY</b>	<b>ASSESSMENT.</b>
<b>ASSESSMENT DATES</b>	<b>5TH- 13TH JAN 2025</b>
<b>CONSULTANCY ASSIGNING INSTITUTION</b>	<b>LWF- WS</b>

**1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND**

The Lutheran World Federation (LWF) is an international humanitarian organization with a global presence in countries across Africa, Asia, Europe, and Central America. The global headquarters of LWF is in Geneva, Switzerland. At the regional level, LWF is headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, serving both the Kenya and Somalia country programs. The Lutheran World Federation provides quality humanitarian assistance to displaced and affected communities and focuses on three priority areas: **i) Sustainable Livelihoods, ii) Quality Services, iii) Protection and Social Cohesion.** The Lutheran World Federation (LWF) World Service established a presence in Kismayu, Jubbaland State in Somalia in 2017 to create a continuum between its refugee assistance and protection program in Dadaab refugee camps. Since 2017, LWF has been working closely with the relevant Jubbaland State Ministries, including the Ministry of Education and Higher Learning (MoEHL), Ministry of Women, Family Affairs, and Human Rights, and the Ministry of Humanitarian Affairs. From 2022, the program embarked on program expansion to implement new projects in Kismayu and areas outside Kismayu, including Dhobley district. More information about the LWF Kenya-Somalia program can be access here. <https://kenyasomalia.lutheranworld.org/>

**2. PROJECT DESCRIPYION**

The ASF Phase2 project has five (5) consortium partners comprising of LWF, NCA, FCA, DKH, DS with the aim of intervening mainly on shocks arising from the climate change. The consortium project targets a total of 48,292 climate affected communities in Somalia. LWF will focus on in implementing its activities in Jubaland regions. The consortium project is funded by the Bread for the World and will be implemented in five main regions in Somalia. LWF will be implementing in the Lower Juba region, in Kismayu and Dhoobley districts. Diakonia Sweden will implement in the Southwest State, Afgooye district, and in Puntland State, in Iskushuban district. NAPAD will implement in the Banadir Region, sin Kahda and Garasbaley districts. FCA will implement in Hargeisa and Burao districts in Somaliland. NCA will cover existing locations in Jubaland State – Gedo region,

Belet Hawa and Dollow districts and 3 new locations in Puntland state - Nugal, Garowe, Bailey Village, Bari, Qardo – Kubo village and in Mudug, Galkacyo, Roox village. The project targets beneficiaries from IDPS, youth, women, agro-pastoralists, local communities, CWDs and stakeholders.

The specific objectives of the project include;

- ❖ Improved resilience and protection of climate affected boys and girls for education.
- ❖ Climate affected communities' livelihoods and WASH options enhanced
- ❖ Peaceful co-existence amongst climate affected communities is improved.

### **3. PURPOSE OF THE ASSESSMENT**

The overall purpose of this assessment is to support in conducting an Environmental Impact Assessment to provide crucial information to use in implementing the proposed construction work in the project. The assessment is to produce a clear Environmental Action Plan (EAP) that will be used to mitigate significant effect of the project on the environment in advance reducing negative effect on the project and mitigate them.

### **4. ASSESSMENT OBJECTIVES**

The assignment has the following objectives;

- I. Jointly with government, local administration, communities and other stakeholders, visit the construction site and identify potential environmental impacts the proposed construction works will have on the immediate and surrounding ecosystem.
- II. Design and develop Environmental Action Plans (EAPs) for the proposed construction work to guide in mitigation and navigation of the identified potential negative effects.
- III. Provide recommendations on critical environmental information to guide policy makers, stakeholders and communities on future and similar interventions for Jubaland state and for future programming by LWF

### **5. SCOPE OF WORK**

- The consultancy assessment is 7 working days from the 5<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025.
- The exercise will be carried out in the outskirts of Kismayu (Yontoy village).
- The project will cover the construction work of a solar irrigation system.
- The target groups to be consulted include; governmental institutions/ministries/agencies and beneficiaries to address the project's constructions impact on the environment, thus providing mitigation plans for prospective negative impact.

### **6. METHODOLOGY**

The consultant is expected to suggest an approach and methodology that reviews relevant policies, regulations, and previous studies related to environmental impacts of Solar irrigation system.

### **7. RESPONSIBILITIES OF LWF**

- Share all relevant project documentation.
- Organize and facilitate meetings with government officials, environmental groups and project stakeholders.
- Mobilize stakeholders and beneficiaries to actively participate in consultation processes.

### **8. DELIVERABLES**

The consultant will be responsible for preparing and submitting the following deliverables;

- An inception report.
- A draft Environmental Impact Assessment report of the findings submitted to LWF program team for feedback (including related materials from interviews conducted).

- A final Environmental Impact Assessment report written in English including findings, best practices, lessons learned, recommendations.
- A detailed mitigation plan that outlines strategies to avoid or minimize for identified impacts for the solar irrigation system which ensures compliance with environmental regulations and best practices.

## 9. QUALIFICATIONS

- The consultant must have an environmental university degree/ Masters, or equivalent Social Science qualification.
- Proven experience in conducting environmental impact assessments.
- Strong facilitation and communication skills, with experience delivering information diverse groups.
- Knowledge of the socio-political context in Somalia and the environmental challenges with the governmental regulations.
- Fluency in English; knowledge of Somali language is an added bonus.

## 10. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Section	Points
Technical approach	35
Capability statement	15
Past Performance	15
Personnel/Staffing	15

Technical Evaluation Threshold (Only offers that receive technical evaluation score of 50 and above points (out of 80) will be considered for cost evaluation.

## 11. HOW TO APPLY

Interested and qualified consultant(s) should submit their technical proposal and financial proposals to [procurement.kismayo@lutheranworld.org](mailto:procurement.kismayo@lutheranworld.org) with the e-mail subject line clearly marked; Environmental Impact Assessment' The deadline for submission of applications is 25<sup>th</sup> of December, 2024 at 5:00 pm Eastern African Time.