



Terms of Reference

Title: Research on how to counter rape via a preventive and rehabilitative approach.

Duration of Assignment:

Start Date: 9th June 2021.

End Date: 23 July 2021 (Estimated)

1. Organization Context

Group Development Pakistan (GDP) is a Civil Society Organization registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 working on protecting and promoting child rights and strengthening child protection and justice with children across Pakistan. The organization believes in a democratic and humanistic society in which the most important stakeholders-children- are acknowledged, respected and protected from all forms of violence and discrimination. GDP follows a holistic, creative, participatory, eco-friendly, child-focused and human rights-based approach.

2. Overall Objective and Purpose of the Consultancy

During the last decade, Pakistan has enacted series of pro-women and girls' laws, such as the Criminal Law Amendment Act 2011, which criminalizes acid and burn violence - one of the worst forms of Gender-Based Violence (GBV), the Sindh Child Marriage Restraint Act, the Zainab Alert Response and Recovery Act 2020, to name a few. More recently the president of Pakistan has promulgated the anti-rape ordinance.

Among the prevailing forms of GBV, incidents of rape are rampant in Pakistan with 11 cases being reported on a daily basis to the law enforcement agencies. According to an estimate, only 41% of rape cases are reported to the police due to social pressure and loopholes in the justice system.¹ The issue of rape is a complex, multi-sectoral one. Whilst several studies have been conducted on rape in Pakistan, very few -if any- have focused on child sexual offenders. Justice actors, medical specialists and child protection practitioners have however highlighted that the violent punishments often proposed by the state and supported by the outraged public does not work as a deterrent and may even further put children at risk of facing violence, including sexual violence.

¹ <https://www.thenews.com.pk/latest/743328-about-11-rape-cases-reported-in-pakistan-every-day-official-statistics-reveal>

Structural Level

Regulatory framework regarding rape (here and abroad)

Institutional Level

Capacity and availability of state agencies and private organizations to counter rape via preventive and rehabilitative measures

Individual Level

Capacity and awareness of individuals about rehabilitative approaches towards ending rape

3. Methodology

The Consultant is expected to carry out an extensive desk review of the regulatory framework pertaining to rape and document examples of preventive approaches to stop sexual violence against children, including rape. Additionally, some key individual interviews and FGDs will be conducted with key practitioners to discuss the advantages of a preventive and rehabilitative approach to counter rape.

The consultant will report to the Technical Advisor, based in GDP's Head Office in Islamabad.

4. Key Tasks & Deliverables

The consultant will focus on compiling and synthesizing research already existing on the topic so that it can be used as evidence later on to promote child rights in Pakistan. The consultant will design questionnaires and conduct interviews and FGDs online and offline as per prevailing SOPs in the Covid19 context.

The consultant will first submit a draft report to GDP presenting the details of his/her findings. The study should consist of not less than 50 A4 pages in single spacing in Open Sans font 12. It should include the following contents:

- Acronyms
- Table of Contents
- Executive Summary
- Introduction
- Methodology
- Regulatory framework
- Preventive & rehabilitative approaches to end rape
- Findings
- Conclusion
- Recommendations
- Bibliography

5. Academic Qualification

MSC in clinical psychology, psychiatry.

6. How to apply

The proposals must reach at the following address by COB on **8 June 2021**. Office no 11-18 Lower ground floor, Magnum Arcade Northern Strip, F.E.C.H.S. Sector E-11/2 Islamabad
Email: hr@gdpakistan.org Proposal submitted after the deadline will not be entertained.
The sealed envelope must clearly mention the title of consultancy.

7. Technical Competencies and Experience Requirements

- At least 10 years of academic and medical work in clinical mental health and support to GBV victims/and/or perpetrators
- At least 3 publications/research by the author in this area of work
- Excellent command over English and Urdu is essential (written and oral).
- Experience in working with medico-legal experts
- Capacity to deliver quality work within a tight timeline.

8. How to apply

Interested individual/companies are requested to submit separate detailed technical and financial proposal inclusive of company/individual profile, Organization registration (If applicable) NTN number, detailed research plan with timeline, CV of lead consultants, team members (if applicable), previous research work samples. as sealed bids addressed to.

Head of Finance & Operations - GDP

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Deadline: 7th June 2021