



Group Development Pakistan

Title of the Consultancy

Report on Prevention of/response to GBVAWG

Duration of Assignment:1st Jan – 31st Jan 2022**Number of days:**

30 days

Start date:1st Jan 2022**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 Consultancy**

A staggering 32 percent of women have experienced physical violence in Pakistan, and 40 percent of ever-married women have suffered from spousal abuse at some point in their life (The Pakistan Demographic and Health Survey 2012-2013). However, these statistics do not accurately represent the full extent of cases. One in two Pakistani women who have experienced violence never sought help or told anyone about the violence they had experienced.

While the Government of Pakistan has passed various laws to prevent violence and support those affected by it, the conviction rate for violence against women reportedly sits at only 1-2.5 percent, except when tried in GBV or specific child courts. Resources and services for women and girls survivors of gender-based violence (GBV) remain scarce. Health services personnel are inadequately equipped, referral systems are limited, and insufficient training on GBV & VAC combined with low investment in human capital enhances the vulnerability of women and girls. These gaps exist on the backdrop of a structurally and culturally patriarchal society, where social norms promote gender-based

abuses, disclosure of violence is discouraged, and women and girls are often blamed for their abuse¹.

There are numerous barriers in the prevention of and response to GBVAWG in Pakistan, including misperceptions around GBVAWG, limited or inefficient legislation, and lack of support systems and safety nets for those who attempt to seek support. Insufficient state, civil society, and community systems are serious obstacles to comprehensively addressing GBVAWG.

Yet some unprecedented steps have been taken by state actors in Pakistan and there is therefore a need to conduct a stock exercise and assess where we stand in terms of countering GBVAWG, sexual violence in particular and underline what next steps are recommended.

3 Methodology

The consultant is expected to carry out an extensive desk review of the relevant literature GBVAWG. . The report should include literature from International reports and reports from State institutions reflecting the current state of affairs. The study will have input from Key stakeholders on prevention and response mechanisms to counter GBVAWG, including sexual violence. The exploration should include factors that hinder or support the prevention and response at the structural, institutional, and operational levels.

4 Key Tasks & Deliverables

The consultant will focus on compiling and synthesizing advanced research already existing on the topic so that it can be used as evidence, later on, to promote Women and girls' welfare in Pakistan.

The consultant will submit a report to GDP at the end of their desk review, encompassing the details of their findings. The study should consist of not less than 60 A4 pages in single spacing in Open Sans font 12. It should include the following contents:

- Acronyms
- Table of Contents
- Executive Summary
- Introduction
- Methodology
- Desk review
- Findings
- Conclusion
- Recommendations
- Bibliography

¹ <https://pakistan.unfpa.org/en/topics/gender-based-violence-6>

5 Academic Qualification

- At least graduate in law, social sciences, human rights.

6 Technical Competencies and Experience Requirements

- At least 5 years of academic and legal work in gender equality, women and child's rights within the context of Islamic Jurisprudence, and demonstrated awareness of child rights and gender equality is essential.
- At least 5 publications/research by the author in this area of work
- Excellent command of English and Urdu is essential (written and oral).
- Capacity to deliver quality work within a tight timeline.

7 Submission Details

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

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Deadline:

27th December 2021.