TERMS OF REFERENCE

Request for Proposal "Services Required for Consultant"

Project:	Budget Research and Advocacy for Democratic Accountability
Assignment:	Budget allocation to Social Sector in Sindh 2016-17 to 2020-21
Last date to apply:	January 7, 2022 (11:00 am)
Submission to:	hr@cpdi-pakistan.org

About CPDI

Centre for Peace and Development Initiatives (CPDI) is an independent, non-partisan, and not-for-profit civil society organization working on issues of peace and development in Pakistan. It is registered Under Section 42 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984 (XLVII of 1984). It was established in September 2003 by a group of concerned citizens who realized that there was a need to approach the issue of peace and development in an integrated manner. CPDI is the first initiative of its kind in Pakistan. It seeks to inform and influence public policies and civil society initiatives through research-based advocacy and capacity building in order to promote citizenship, build peace and achieve inclusive and sustainable development. Areas of special sectoral focus include promotion of peace and tolerance, rule of law, transparency, and access to information, budget watch, media watch, election watch, and legislative watch, and democratic development.

Terms of Reference

A budget is a government's plan on the use of public resources to meet the citizens' needs. The past decade has seen a surge in global advocacy movement from civil society for increased budget allocation to the social sector. Social sector allocation is considered an important aspect of state taking care of the marginalized citizens and thus improving their social status.

There is no agreed definition of social sector. While some argue that all budget allocation is in a way a social sector allocation and some confine it to health and education sectors alone. This study, however, will take a broader view of social sector and will analyze the budget allocations to following eight departments:

Health, Education, Special Education, Literacy, Population Welfare, Water and Sanitation, Women Development, and Social Protection.

The study will trace the trends in allocation for the last five years, from 2016-17 to 2020-21. The study will also trace two more trends including difference in revised estimates and budget estimates and the percentage of allocation to a department as compared to total budget of the province.

This study will provide answer to the following question:

- 1. What are the trends in budget allocation to the social sector in Sindh?
- 2. What percentage of total budget is being allocated to different social sector departments?
- 3. What recommendations can be presented to the government for allocating more budget to social sector?

Activities

1. Development of methodology

- 2. Compilation of data of Development and non-development budget of social sector departments
- 3. Analysis of social sector allocation according to the devised methodology
- 4. Recommendations

Qualification

- 1. At least Master's degree in relevant discipline with more than eight years of experience of budget analysis and budget advocacy
- 2. Excellent understanding of budgetary issues including budget cycle, resource allocations and budget transparency
- 3. Excellent writing and presentation skills
- 4. Capability of in-depth budget analysis

Note: The proposal submitted by the interested candidates should be inclusive of logistics and taxation, as no separate expense will be paid by CPDI for boarding, lodging, or any other incidentals required for the assignment.

Timeline for Completion of the Assignment

- 1. Maximum 45 days from the signing of the contract
- 2. Assignment Person days: 28 days

How to Apply:

Interested Individuals can send their CVs highlighting the relevant experience and cover letter including per day rate in PKR at: hr@cpdi-pakistan.org

*Late submission will not be entertained.