

## ASSESSMENT ON THE READINESS FOR WIDESPREAD ADOPTION OF ELECTRIC COOKING IN NEPAL — Q&A

- The RFP is silent on the total budget of the assignment. Please indicate the budget as it will be helpful in determining manpower planning and travel.
  It is up to the applicants to propose a budget. Applications will be evaluated based on the quality of the proposal as well as the appropriateness of the budget for the proposed work.
- 2. As mentioned in the RFP, this RFP is the second in a series of clean cooking assessments planned to support the Alliance's activities in Nepal. We believe that the firm selected in this RFP may need to align with Consultant(s) and/or CCA selected for other RFPs. Please clarify. In addition to coordinating closely with the Alliance on this work, the selected Consultant for this RFP will coordinate (as applicable) with the Consultants conducting the other two assessments, in order to leverage available data and findings.
- 3. The nature of the assignment is such that it will require extensive meetings with stakeholders in Nepal. Also, a kick-off meeting and a final meeting may happen in Nepal. We request clarity on the above aspects as it will impact financials.
  - The required project kick-off meeting with the Alliance will happen virtually. Applicants may also propose a kick-off meeting and final meeting in Nepal at their discretion, along with other suggested activities like stakeholder consultations, with justifications provided on how specific activities will support in assessing Nepal's electricity status.
- 4. We believe that the selected firm does not need to do household level interviews. Please confirm.
  - This RFP does not require household-level interviews.
- 5. On page 5 of RFP, the evaluation criteria table does not have any weightage for various criteria. Does it indicate equal weightage for all the criteria? Please indicate.

Application selection will be based on the evaluation criteria defined with equal weightage across the criteria listed.

6. RFP does not have any contractual terms and conditions. The same may be shared.

The terms and conditions for this RFP will be defined during the contractual process with the selected Consultant.

- 7. We believe that the assignment will focus only on electric cooking fuel option and not on other clean cooking fuels like LPG. Please confirm. This RFP focuses only on electric cooking.
- 8. Can the sub-contractor participate in multiple RFP responses (more than one application)?

Applicants can be listed as consortium members on more than one bid for this RFP.