Job Title: Food Security Sector Coordinator (CST Level II), Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh

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Type of Contract: International Consultancy (CST Level II)
Position Title: Food Security Sector Coordinator
Unit: Programme
Duty Station: Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh
Duration: 11 Months

About WFP

The United Nations World Food Programme is the world's largest humanitarian agency fighting hunger worldwide. The mission of WFP is to help the world achieve Zero Hunger in our lifetimes. Every day, WFP works worldwide to ensure that no child goes to bed hungry and that the poorest and most vulnerable, particularly women and children, can access the nutritious food they need.

Background and Purpose of the Assignment

Background:
The Food Security Cluster (FSC) has been established globally to coordinate the food response during a humanitarian crisis, addressing issues of food availability, access, stability and utilization. The FSC was established by the Interagency Standing Committee (IASC) and is co-led by the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) of the United Nations and the World Food Programme (WFP).

In Bangladesh, the Food Security Cluster (FSC) was established in 2012. However, since 25th of August 2017, and due to the current situation in Cox's Bazaar district with the arrival on over 650,000 people from Myanmar fleeing ethnic violence, an independent coordination system has been set up. As of September 2020, 860,000 Rohingya refugees stay in the camps.

The coordination structure is organized under UNHCR and IOM who lead the Inter Sector Coordination Group (ISCG), and the Food Security Sector works as independent Sector focused on the Rohingya crisis.

Purpose:
Under the overall supervision of WFP Country Representatives in Bangladesh, direct supervision of the WFP Deputy Emergency Coordinator for Programme, the incumbent will work as Food Security Sector Coordinator. The incumbent will work in close liaison with the global Food Security Cluster (gFSC) in Rome, as well as with the technical support of the FSC cluster coordinator, FSS members in Cox’s Bazaar ensuring adequate coordination of all activities undertaken by the FSS in Cox’s Bazaar.

The objective of the Food Security Sector Coordinator is to ensure a timely, coherent and effective food security response by mobilizing stakeholders to respond in a strategic manner to a humanitarian crisis.
**Key Responsibilities (not all-inclusive)**

The role of the Food Security Sector Coordinator, as set out in the IASC Generic Terms of Reference for Sector Leads at Cox’s Bazar district level, is to lead and facilitate this process through:

- Engagement, establishment and maintenance of appropriate humanitarian coordination mechanisms with all humanitarian partners on a coherent and robust humanitarian response for the food security sector;
- Coordination with national/local authorities (RRRC, DC, UNOs), state institutions, local civil society and other relevant actors as needed;
- Provide leadership in the organization of food security sector and Technical Working Group (TWG) Meeting including Livelihoods WG, Energy and Environment WG and Entitlement Transfer WG;
- Capacity building of FSS members (UN agencies, national and international NGO) partners on priority matters related to the food security response;
- Participating and supporting food security and interagency needs assessment and analysis;
- Undertaking planning and strategy development particularly leading on the Humanitarian Needs overview and Humanitarian/Response Plan - including project proposals reviews as needed;
- Advocacy and fundraising on behalf of the sector and partners and for the FSS coordination team;
- Management of information for the sector and staff, ensuring the timely collection and dissemination of FSS data to all stakeholders (supervision of IMO);
- Ensure that cross-sectoral issues such as protection, gender, age, early recovery, environment, accountability to affected populations, protection, and HIV & AIDS are mainstreamed and appropriately reflected in all FSS programmes;
- Participate in any relevant meetings on information management, cash working group and needs assessment,
- Provision of assistance or services as a last resort subject to access, security and availability of funds.
- Provide any other relevant duties as regards food security sector coordination and/or assigned by the supervisor.
- Work closely with VAM Unit and FSS members for need assessment, monitoring, etc.
- Liaise with FSC coordinator based in Dhaka and ensure that national FSC is update on the coordination issues at Cox’s Bazar level.
- Perform any other duty related to gFSC as required on relevant issues.

S/he will work closely with the Emergency Coordinator and Deputy Emergency Coordinator for Programme in WFP Cox’s Bazar as well as the National Information Management Officer and will work impartially with all members of the Food Security Sector in Cox’s Bazar, serving and representing the group as a whole, not an agency.

**Deliverables at the end of the Contract**

- Maintaining a functioning sector coordination (e.g. organization of FSS and TWG meetings, mailing lists, contacts, etc.)
- Maintaining a regular system of information gathering (4Ws, etc.) and information dissemination (FSS bulletin, dashboard, ISCG documents, etc.)
- Maintaining a regular monitoring of FS activities on the field
- End of assignment report

**Qualifications & Experience Required**

**Education:**
- Bachelor and/or Master’s degree in in food security, economics, politics, international relations or related field. Global Food Security Cluster training attendance is an advantage.

**Experience:**
- At least 8 years of professional experience in humanitarian response.
- Experience in the food security sector/cluster.
- Strong Experience in emergency and with influx of refugee

**Knowledge & Skills:**
- Demonstrated communication and conflict resolution skills, as well as ability to work in a multi-cultural environment while responding to tight deadlines with resource constraints.
- Demonstrated understanding of refugee crisis and needs especially in a refugee camps context
Strong understanding of the international humanitarian response architecture, including coordination mechanisms, humanitarian reform and action, and funding mechanisms.

- Experience of coordination and communication with officials (government, army, etc.)
- Experience on chairing meetings, prepare emergency meetings, discussion and action oriented consensus; Ability to work with a diverse group of stakeholders, develop consensus, and support joint working.
- Excellent English communication skills, both verbal and written.

Languages:
- Fluency in English language. Bangla is an advantage

Deadline For Applications

Wednesday, 04 May 2022 (Midnight Bangladesh time)

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