

Synopsis of the RFA

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Modifications

The following outlines modifications to RFA No. 2022-10, originally issued on April 4, 2022. **All other sections not mentioned here remain unchanged.**

1. Attachment I, RFP Questions and Answers is added to the list of attachments

Attachment I: RFP Questions and Answers

1. "We want to use this grant for the promotion of a mobile-based application while supporting ongoing activities in Coxsbazar and Bandorba areas. Is it possible to use this fund for the Zone of resilience and zone of influence at the same time?"
 - In accordance with the guidance in the RFA, marketing and promotional activities are permitted as proposed activities. However, the proposal should clearly demonstrate a market need for tool; and when, how, and where the tool has already been tested by target users. The grant activities should take place in the USAID FTF zones including Dhaka, Barisal, Chittagong and Khulna.
2. Is it required for this intervention to be planned on a cost-sharing basis for a duration of 12 months? Will this lead to any special consideration for the proposal?
 - Cost-share was not required by the RFA nor are cost-related factors scored. Applications will be evaluated according to 'best value,' a mix of technical & financial factors.
3. Can new team members be onboarded specifically for this intervention?
 - Yes.
4. We can submit as consortium. So, my query is does other consortium member has to fill up company information which the lead organization is filling up?
 - Yes, please indicate which entity is the lead of the consortium and provide company information for all members of the consortium in your application. Please justify the rationale for the consortium approach and outline the distinct roles and responsibilities of each consortium member.
5. Other Direct cost and Indirect costs are not clearly explained in the RFA. Need a detailed explanation with examples.
 - Indirect costs are costs used to support the operation of the applicant which will not be billed directly to the award. These may be overhead or general and administrative (G&A) costs. Applicants should only budget indirect costs when they have an established indirect cost rate which has been determined through a financial audit. All applicants claiming indirect costs in their budget must submit a copy of their established indirect cost rate (e.g., NICRA) or audited financial statements which clearly show how the organization has determined the indirect rate.

Other direct costs represent other costs associated with the award activity, these should be specified in the budget notes and budgeted per item. Examples of ODCs include prepaid card/communication, courier or mailing expenses, reproduction cost, office supplies, equipment leasing, office rental and utilities, if these are not part of your indirect cost structure.

6. Is matching fund required? If required, then what is the ratio?
- Matching funds are not required.