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A RESEARCH PROPOSAL

ON

**FUEL DEPENDENCY AND ENERGY INSECURITY IN SIERRA LEONE: AN
ANALYTICAL ENQUIRY**

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Proposed Research Budget

Creating a budget for data collection within a research project requires careful planning to allocate resources efficiently. Here's a sample data collection budget for a project on "Fuel Dependency and Energy Insecurity in Sierra Leone" with a budget of \$50,000:

1. Survey Administration:

- Procurement of Mobile Devices for Data Collection: \$3,000
- Data Entry Software and Equipment: \$2,000
- Enumerators (Training, Transportation, Compensation): \$10,000

2. Interviews and Focus Groups:

- Audio Recording Equipment: \$1,500
- Transcription Services: \$5,000
- Interviewer Fees and Training: \$4,000

3. Incentives and Compensation:

- Participant Compensation (Gift Cards, Refreshments): \$5,000

4. Travel and Accommodation:

- Field Visits (Transportation, Accommodation, Per Diem): \$6,000

5. Ethical Clearance and Compliance:

- I.R.B./ethics committee submission fees: \$2,000

6. Data Storage and Security:

- Cloud Storage or Data Management Software: \$2,500

7. Quality Control and Monitoring:

- Supervision and Quality Checks: \$2,000

8. Miscellaneous and Contingency:

- Unforeseen Expenses: \$2,000

Total Data Collection Budget: \$50,000

Please note that this is a generalized budget, and actual costs may vary based on specific circumstances, such as location, duration of data collection, and availability of resources. It's essential to allocate resources efficiently and seek competitive quotes for goods and services. Additionally, keeping detailed records of all expenses and maintaining transparency in financial reporting is necessary throughout the data collection phase.

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