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## **L3605/G9191: MON48076 – ENSURING INCLUSIVENESS AND SERVICE DELIVERY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PROJECT**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY AND DEVICES EXPERT PROCUREMENT & REGULATION – C6A**

#### **Objective/Purpose of the Assignment:**

#### **A. BACKGROUND**

Mongolia has received Loan No.3605 from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to implement the Ensuring Inclusiveness and Service Delivery for Persons with Disabilities Project. The project will support the Government of Mongolia in addressing a major social and rights issue by ensuring inclusiveness and delivery of services for persons with disabilities (PWD) in Mongolia.

The overall aim of the project is to ensure access to employment for PWD to increase their autonomy and contribution to the economy and society in general. The project has five outputs. See details on <https://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/project-documents/48076/48076-002-rrp-en.pdf>

The MLSP will engage one international and one national expert to assist the ministry in improving access to assistive technology (AT) and affordable quality orthopedic devices. The MLSP will select the consultants by the “Guideline on the Use of Consultants by the ADB and its borrowers” (as 2013 and amended from time to time).

#### **B. OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSIGNMENT**

The objectives of the assignment as follows:

**Objective 1.** Support strengthening the regulatory framework to improve access to AT, devices, and prostheses for PWD; Review the list of essential assistive devices that could be covered and/or compensated under the existing social protection schemes to respond to most important needs of PWD;

**Objective 2.** Develop a recommendation for AT and devices improvement for prosthesis factory, vocational training center of General Agency for Development for People with disabilities (GADPWD) and Development Centers for PWDs in 6 aimags (provinces); Identify the procurement list of assistive devices with technical specifications.

#### **C. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

The consulting services will cover the following tasks but not limited to:

- Desk review of information for estimating the needs for AT, devices and prostheses in line with major health risk; Assess the current demand and supply and procurement system of AT, devices and prostheses with emphasis on the poor;

- Based on review and assessment, support the stakeholders including the MLSP (GADPWD), MOH, and DPOs in defining next steps and developing the road map for strengthening AT services in Mongolia;
- Review the list of essential AT and devices that could be covered and/or compensated under the existing social protection schemes to respond to most important needs of PWD; Develop recommendations for creating a transparent and equitable procurement system for essential AT, taking into account the reasonable accommodation concept; Recommend changes in regulations in relation to responsibility to define the list of reimbursable AT and devices in line with the Law on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and other legislatives including the ICF;
- Develop recommendation on what orthopedic devices and prosthesis can be manufactured in Mongolia;
- Develop minimum standards for assistive technology manufacturing and procurement; Develop standard operating procedures to implement the minimum standards with a particular focus on ensuring that AT provided by national systems are well maintained;
- Assist in preparing the procurement packages for AT and devices required for ICF assessment, rehabilitation and habilitation work and occupational therapy at the Development Center for PWD in 6 project aimags; Determine what AT could be maintained at the Development Center for PWD;
- Assist in organizing a study tour for government officials and members of the National Health Insurance Council to learn from international best practices in particular on how the list of assistive devices and equipment were defined by the government;
- Review and evaluate the existing capacity of the GADPWD prosthesis manufactory and develop recommendations for improving the equipment; Identify the procurement list of equipment and their technical specifications for GADPWD prosthesis manufactory;
- Develop a recommendation for AT and devices improvement for vocational training center of the GADPWD; Identify the procurement list of AT and devices and their technical specifications;

#### **D. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS and WORKING ARRANGEMENTS:**

- The expert will report to the Director, Population Development Department (PDD) at the MLSP and PIU Coordinator. The expert will develop and present the deliverables in the format and process as agreed with the MLSP.
- Within a week of placement of the expert, a work plan will be approved by the Client which will serve as a basis for measuring progress on the planned outcomes of the entire consultancy service.
- The expert will support the MLSP in undertaking consultations and building a consensus with key stakeholders. The expert is responsible for revising and finalizing the documents based on comments by relevant agencies and stakeholders. The technical reports shall be presented at the meetings of technical working groups and other related stakeholders, if necessary.
- The expert will work as a team with a national consultant. The incumbent will work daily and closely with the national consultant and relevant officials assigned by the Project Director for technical and organizational matters as related to the assignment.
- All reports should be prepared in two languages (Mongolian and English).