

Questions and Responses

Re: SAFETI-RFP-22-03-001 project final evaluation

5 April 2022

The text below represents the full list of all questions received from prospective bidders, along with responses on behalf of the SAFETI project and Winrock International.

Technical

1) Question: *We understand that Mid-term evaluation content is available in the project website, however, can a winning firm get access to the sample beneficiary database, and also can the beneficiaries be identified by name, address and contact number?*

a) **SAFETI Response:** All beneficiary databases will be provided to the winning firm. Beneficiary databases include names, location, and contact information.

Pricing/Budget/Logistics

1) Question: *We are interested to involve one International Consultant as Team Leader (US-based Consultant having past working experience in Bangladesh). As mentioned in the RFP issued by WI that "The Evaluation Team Leader is expected to be in-country during this entire 3-month period." Our concern is that this will increase cost, but if he ensures his presence of 20 days in two different times based on his presence that would be feasible in terms of cost and this will not hamper the Evaluation, as he will maintain a Hybrid method of communication.*

a) **SAFETI Response:** Section IV Subpart C "Timeframe" of the RFP will henceforth be amended as follows (edits in bold):

*Phase I – Engagement: Inception meetings are expected to begin on or around June 15 2022. **The Evaluation Team Leader is expected to be in-country for all of Phase I.***

*Phase II – Research and Data Collection is scheduled during July-August 2022, during which all of the evaluation team will be mobilized in Bangladesh. The Evaluation Team Leader is expected to be in-country ~~during this entire 3-month period~~ **for (at least) the first 20 working days of Phase II.***

2) Question: *Is WI will allow using the CV of one person as Team Leader or Consultant by two or more consulting firms for this proposal? What would need to be taken in that case?*

a) **SAFETI Response:** Decisions about proposed staff (and their exclusivity) are the responsibility of bidders.

3) Question: *Is there any need to collect exclusive participation consent from the Senior Experts, so that they cannot join any other prospective team?*

a) **SAFETI Response:** Decisions about proposed staff (and exclusivity) are the responsibility of bidders.

4) Question: *What is the RFP reference number?*

a) **SAFETI Response:** SAFETI-RFP-22-03-001. This is now also referenced on the web site: <https://winrock.org/contract/request-for-proposals-safe-aqua-farming-for-economic-and-trade-improvement-safeti-project/>