



Republic of South Sudan
Ministry of Gender, Child & Social Welfare (MGCSW)
Project Coordination Unit (PCU)

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI) FOR AN INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT
(INTERNATIONAL) TO DEVELOP NATIONAL SOCIAL PROTECTION BILL**

COUNTRY: **Republic of South Sudan**
NAME OF THE PROJECTS: **Productive Safety Net for Socioeconomic Opportunities (SNSOP)**
CONSULTING SERVICES: **A Consultant to Develop a National Social Protection Bill (NSPB)**
TYPE OF CONSULTANCY: **Individual Consultant (International).**
DUTY STATION: **MGCSW PCU, Juba- South Sudan**
Ref No: **SS-MGCSW-504345-CS-INDV**

1. Background.

The Government of South Sudan (GoSS) has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of implementing the Productive Safety Net for Socioeconomic Opportunities Project (SNSOP). The Project Development Objectives (PDO) are to reduce consumption gaps and increase economic participation of poor and vulnerable households, and strengthen the National Safety Net Delivery System. The project has the following four components: (i) Cash Transfer and Complementary Social Measures, (ii) Provision of Economic Opportunities, (iii) Strengthened Institutional Capacity and Social Protection System; and (iv) Project Management, Monitoring and Evaluation, and Knowledge Generation.

The project aims to build on the experiences and lessons learned from previous World Bank-funded safety net projects and other relevant interventions in the country; move beyond meeting immediate consumption gaps and strongly support productive inclusion and human capital development of poor and most vulnerable households with emphasis on inclusivity, gender and climate change adaptations.

The implementing agencies of the project are the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (MAFS) and the Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare (MGCSW).

Based on the aforementioned and some previous works done, including a developed National Social Protection Policy Framework (NSPPF), MAFS and MGCSWS intend to engage the services of an international **Individual Consultant** to provide technical support to MGCSW for the development of a National Social Protection Bill (NSPB).

2. The Objective, Scope of Work, and Responsibilities:

The main objective of the consultancy is to provide technical support to the MGCSW towards the development of the South Sudan National Social Protection Bill (NSPB). The scope of the assignment will cover the following: Review the NSPPF and other current policies, legal and institutional instruments in South Sudan, as well as existing literature on social protection laws and legal frameworks in other countries; Undertake consultative and planning meetings with the MGCSW & MAFS, other



line ministries and key legal institutions and stakeholders; Develop a tool and framework for consultations, technical meetings, and key informant interviews with the legal fraternity; Facilitate consultative multi-stakeholder meetings at national level; finalize a report summarizing the key findings and provide clear strategies and methodologies for operationalization of the bill; Support dissemination of the bill and facilitate high-level engagement and commitment to the implementation of the bill across ministries; and Provide periodic support to MGCSW to facilitate the adoption and enactment of the bill by the Cabinet and Council of Ministers.

The Consultant will be required to undertake all the tasks listed and provide the deliverables detailed in the Terms of Reference (TOR). The TOR will be provided upon request through the email contact below.

3. Duration:

The consultant services will be carried out in 60 working days spread over 4 months period. The work will be mainly based in the implementing ministries and other relevant agencies, with in-country travels based on need.

4. Selection Criteria:

Selection shall be based on the qualifications, experience, and skills of the candidate and followed by an interview. The qualification, experience, and skills should include: a Master's degree in Law, a law development certificate is an added advantage, Public Policy, Political Science, or other related disciplines. The minimum experience required are: At least 15 years of relevant professional experience in legal practice and/or the design and development of legislation and policy frameworks; Demonstrated experience, expertise and capability in the development of laws and legislative frameworks related to national social protection policies, strategies, operational frameworks and delivery systems; Proven experience in facilitating multi-stakeholder legal discussions, preferably on topics related to social protection; Proven experience in legal practice and technical consultancy on social protection issues; Professional command of English, both oral and written; Excellent communication and report writing skills are required; Familiarity with the South Sudan national context and overall policy and strategic context is an asset.

Government officials or civil servants will not be considered unless: (i) they are on leave of absence without pay or have resigned or retired six months prior to the date of the advert; and (ii) their employment will not create a conflict of interest.

5. The MGCSW now invites **eligible Individual Consultants (International)** to indicate their interest in providing the above-mentioned services. Interested individual consultants must provide information demonstrating their qualifications to perform the Services.
6. The attention of interested consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's 'Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers', July 2016, revised November 2017, August 2018, and November 2020 [Procurement in Investment Project Financing; Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services], setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
7. A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's 'Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers', July 2016, revised November 2017, August 2018, and November 2020, for the selection of an individual consultant.



8. Interested Consultants may obtain further information at the address given below from 9:00 to 16:00 Hrs. on working days (Monday through Friday)
9. **Deadline for submission:** The Expression of interest (EOI) and the CV completed in the prescribed form must be delivered to the address below (by mail, or by e-mail) by **July 10th, 2026, at 17:00 Hours (South Sudan Time)**
10. Further details of this REOI are provided in the Terms of Reference (TOR), which **may be obtained upon request by e-mail to the address given below. Application through e-mail is highly encouraged.**
11. **Attention:**
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