**Call for Proposal**

**Gap Analysis of National & Provincial Youth Health Policies Regarding the Status of Young People Reproductive Health & Rights in Pakistan**

**Mode of study:** Desk review

**Duration of consultancy:**20 days (starting from the signing of contract)

**Requested documents:** Prospective individuals/ firms should provide a CV detailing their relevant skills and experience. The overall package must have following documents:

* Cover letter (Maximum 2 pages clearly demonstrating the suitability of applicant for stated assignment)
* Updated profile of the individual Consultant or a Firm supported with resume of Chief Consultant and maximum of other 3 key team members (Maximum 3 pages each)
* Proposal including cost of assignment covering all expenses (Maximum 4 pages)
* Submit hard copy of one example of previous similar work.

**Instructions to be followed**

* All documents must be forwarded through postal service only. Please clearly write **‘Proposal for Desk Review’** on sealed envelope.
* Please fold details of cost of assignment in a separate envelop to send along with other documents.
* Please send your proposals to Director Monitoring Evaluation and Research (MER), Rahnuma Family Planning Association of Pakistan, 3 A Temple Road, Lahore, 54000.

**Note: Rahnuma FPAP reserves the right of disqualifying proposals with pages more than above mentioned numbers and/or if any of the above instruction is not followed adequately. Proposals sent through an email will not be considered for shortlisting.**

Shortlisted consultants may be required to undertake a telephone or Skype discussion before finalization of decision

**Deadline for the submission of proposal:** 8th February, 2023

**Expected date of initiation of consultancy:** 15th February, 2023

**Payment schedule:** 30% advance payment will be made on signing of contract for the proposed assignment as first installment, while reaming 70% payment will be made upon satisfactory submission of finalized deliverables approved by Rahnuma-FPAP.

Both payments will be made through cross-cheque after deduction of taxes as per Laws of Government of Pakistan.

**Liaison person from Rahnuma FPAP**

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**Background**

Adolescence is an important age that marks the onset of puberty with a number of emotional, physical, social and psychological changes. Adolescents and young people are also recognized as a diverse group with varying capacities and opportunities based on age, gender, schooling, marital status, cultural background etc. The studies undertaken in Pakistan also reflect the need for SRH related services for young people and some of the barriers to access. In a research study[[1]](#footnote-1) by Rutgers WPF adolescents and young adults reported discomfort in sharing SRH issues with health professionals especially the neighboring/community doctor for the fear that he/she will inform the young person’s parents.

Majority of young people in Pakistan have limited or no knowledge about their SRHR resulting in myriad of SRHR related issues being faced by young people. These issues are compounded by their lack of access to adequate and appropriate SRH services due to socio cultural norms and values at community, societal, institutional and political levels. Young people have limited representation at the policy making forums and have no voice in the policy making processes.

There is a dire need to raise awareness among youth (demand side) regarding their SRHR, advocate for quality SRH services (supply side). Providing young people, both in schools and out of school, with adequate information and skills through Life Skill Based Education (LSBE) will enable them not only to make informed choices but also remove barriers that hinder their access to youth friendly health services. Young people also need to develop effective advocacy platforms and capacitated to raise their voice effectively for their rights. Increased utilization of SRHR services by young people including vulnerable groups and living with disabilities will result in decrease in population growth rate, lower prevalence of epidemic disease such as HIV& AIDS and reduction in stigma and discrimination along with reduction in all forms of violence stemming out of it. Unfortunately, the SDGs do not address or tackle SRHR issues directly. However, certain indicators related to Young Omang program aims to be an effective voice for young people’s SRHR in Pakistan. The platform is working on life skills based education, youth friendly health services and youth policies.

**Project objective**

The aims of the project are to develop the capacity of understanding of Youth Led CSOs (Punjab & Sind, KP and Balochistan) on barriers, underlying factors and gaps impeding adolescent and young people's needs and access to Reproductive Health services and also to advocate for inclusion of the specific Reproductive Health needs of adolescent and young people at provincial policy level at all provinces.

**Support from Rahnuma-FPAP**

Rahnuma FPAP will provide following:

* Organize inception meeting with the Consultant for orientation of the project, briefing on desired deliverables, and handing over relevant documents, such as:
* Information on Rahnuma-FPAP Youth Friendly Reproductive Health services package;
* Rahnuma-FPAP tools and guidelines developed on Youth Friendly SRH services;
* International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) tools and protocols developed on Youth Friendly SRH services;
* Resolution of 45th session of CPD on adolescent and youth; etc.
* Provide thorough feedback on first draft of the document and remain available for multiple reviews; if needed.
* Review report for ensuring incorporation of feedback before its finalization by the consultant.

**Roles and Responsibilities of the Consultant**

* Attend inception meeting called by Rahnuma FPAP. Develop mutual understanding about the scope of work and sharing finalized milestones with cutoff dates for producing final deliverable.
* Collect all related National and Provincial Policies and other relevant global, national and provincial commitments made in reference to SRHR of young people including areas addressing needs of young people with disabilities and other vulnerable youth.
* Produce and submit first draft of comprehensive analytical report for inputs by Rahnuma FPAP.
* Incorporate comments in first draft of the report as per time schedule and share again the revised version with the Rahnuma FPAP.
* Finalize and share comprehensive report after addressing all suggestions and comments provided by Rahnuma FPAP within agreed timeframe.

**Final deliverables**

Following are expected deliverables from the consultant to conclude an assignment:

* Three hard and three soft copies (in USBs) of the finalized report, cover letter duly signed by the consultant clearly stating the completion of assignment.
* Hard and/or soft copies of all reference materials cited in the report.

## Qualification and Experience of Consultant

## The consultant applying for this assignment must have:

* Master’s degree or equivalent in Public Health, Social Sciences, or equivalent in any other relevant subject.
* At least 3 year’s experience in professional writing on subjects such as youth, health, gender, or other social issues.
* Must have demonstrated skill of carrying out policy reviews and gap analysis.
* Excellent analytical and English writing skills are must for required.

1. A research Study on Status of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights of Young People in Pakistan, March 2010, WPF [↑](#footnote-ref-1)