

Drylands Sahel Program tender Q&A

Week 4, 24-01-2020

NB Please post your questions in English, just to save translation time!

- There are several questions on the budget model, notably on the budget line Category II. B.

Answer: We would like to see a global total budget for the project, supported by a breakdown per eventual consortium partners (including the lead partner) or other type of partner (international or local subcontractors), all following the same budget model. Budget line category II.B can then be used for the provisional cost of eventual implementing (local) partners that cannot at this stage be detailed.

The budget can contain main budget lines, since detailed programming occurs in phase two of the tender.

- There are several questions on the Track record (D11 and K-O 1).

Answers:

Under D11 at least 5 projects should be listed, covering together the experiences and duration asked for. If you need more projects to cover the experiences asked for, you may add them.

Under K-O1 in the first table, columns for the years 2013, 2014 and 2019 are lacking, you may add them. The figures in the first table should be supported by an annexed list of relevant projects, containing project name, total budget, total duration in years and countries of intervention.

The second table under K-O1 can be used to elaborate on projects (max 8, including at least the first 5 under D11) that you consider to be *the most relevant ones* for this tender. You may copy the table as many times as needed.

- Some more questions are asked on the project intervention area. We consider these questions answered the Q&A of week 51, Dec 20, 2019.
- A question was asked about geography related approaches (e.g. watersheds).

Answer:

Questions on preferred approaches are related to the ToC to be elaborated and as such not answerable.

- 'For-profit' activities cannot be financed through subsidies; how does this relate to the objectives regarding value chain development for profit and raise of income?

Answer:

D13: For-profit activities of the applicants are not eligible for a grant: this concerns activities aiming at gaining/maximizing profits of applicant organisations and co-applicants, and is not related to activities promoting and supporting economic development of the target groups of the project.

- Security: how can the ministry and the embassy support the project alliance in the field of security? And is there space in the project budget to tackle acute emergency situations?

Answer:

The recipient country is responsible for the security of its own citizens and of persons of other nationalities that work and reside in the country. The embassies of the

Netherlands are monitoring the security situation and providing travel and security advice to Dutch citizens present in the country.

The budget line for Contingencies may be used for security related contingencies, after consultation with- and approval by the provider of the grant. If this budget line is not sufficient, it can be decided case by case if costs related to security incidents can be compensated. Security related costs that can be foreseen should as much as possible be incorporated already in the budget.