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| **Purpose of Activity/Assignment:** Under the Integrated Child Development Scheme there are six areas and one among them is the area of early childhood education (ECE) which is the weakest area within the department of Women and Child Development. The importance of ensuring overall development in the early years is globally advocated and there is enough research that shows if the child is not given opportunities for an overall development in the early years, he/she would suffer a disadvantage all their lives .In the recent years certain opportunities have emerged for strengthening the ECE component of the ICDS Programme Nationally :-* The National Government has approved a national policy on ECCE wherein ECE is a very important component.
* National institutions e.g. NIPCCD and NCERT in coordination with experts and academic institutes like Ambedkar University has developed the national curriculum framework for ECE.
* A national committee has been formed to guide and advice states on their ECE initiatives.
* Under the ICDS programme MWCD has enhanced the amount of funds for ECE component for anganwadi centers.
* There is also a directive from MWCD to start an ECCE day within the ICDS programme when parents and communities would participate in the anganwadi center to understand the ECCE component of the anganwadi centers

ICDS within Rajasthan in coordination with UNICEF had developed a curriculum and syllabus for ECE based on the national curriculum framework on ECE. To transact the curriculum ICDS with support from UNICEF also developed manual for trainers of anganwadi workers and an activity book for anganwadi workers At present there is an interest within the Government to strengthen the ECE component The revised ECE curriculum was rolled out in 2016 in 4200 anganwadi centers across the state . The learnings of this implementation in the process of being incorporated in the manuals and teaching learning materials which will be will be introduced in all the anganwadi centers across the state . This needs a very intense support to ICDS to build the capacity of their system to be able to create an enabling environment for ECE across the state and developing monitoring framework In the beginning of 2016 UNICEF advocated very strongly with both departments of ICDS and Education to bring in a seamless coordination for ECE so that a child in anganwadi center gets support in her preschool developmental domains both from the schools as well as the anganwadi center. This has the scope for developing a strong learning base for the children. Government has requested UNICEF to coordinate with the two departments and support building the capacities for joint work on ECE **ECE bottlenecks and strategic actions**Undertaking a Gaps and Barriers / Bottlenecks (GBB) analysis based on the Theory of Change (TOC), it has been realized that implementation of ECE has been rather slow except in the last nine months. This calls for concerted efforts on awareness raising, evidence generation, strengthening of human and institutional capacities and policy advocacy. A deeper analysis of the bottlenecks highlight the following :--1. The state lacks a cadre of trainers on ECE components as a result the anganwadi workers use age old methods of ECE for the children 3-5 years old.
2. The training institutes e.g. AWTC ( Anganwadi training centers) and MLTC ( Middle level training centers ) do not have the necessary capacity and resources for training on ECE
3. Centers are equipped with TLM that does not match the domain developments mentioned in the curriculum
4. In addition the coordination between the departments of Education who have the knowledge and skills in cognitive development of the child and DWCD who have the mandate to ensure cognitive skill development of 3-5 year olds is still weak and needs strengthening

 To address the above bottlenecks some of the preconditions identified in TOC were (1) parents send their 3-5 year old children to local anganwadi centers (2) Anganwadi workers have the required skills and knowledge on ECE (3) Anganwadi centers are equipped with required TLM that contributes to the age appropriate development of the domains given (4) Schools and anganwadi centers jointly support ECE component within the anganwadi centers. The key objectives of the proposed assignment are to provide technical support to ICDS in enhancing their capacity to plan , implement and monitor a robust ECE package based on the existing curriculum and syllabus and the lessons learnt during roll out in 4200 centers and also ensure that the preconditions identified are realised* support the state in its planning and implementation of school ECE component within ICDS
* Revise , materials activity books, guidelines for ECE based on experiences from the field
* Capacity enhancement of AWTC (anganwadi training centers) and MLTC ( Middle level training center) so as to enhance the training of anganwadi workers
* Development of a monitoring framework for ECE.
* Development of a framework for Education and ICDS coordination
* Development of a framework for panchayat engagement for enhanced community participation with Anganwadi centers
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| Budget Year | Requesting Section/Issuing Office: | Key reasons why consultancy cannot be done by staff: |
| 2016-2017 | Education | ECE is a very important aspect in Education unless preschool education is addressed children will not have good learning outcomes in school. The present ICDS is very slow in implementing ECE and also lacks the technical knowhow of the same. We need a full time consultant who can give full time and technical inputs to bring ECE into the highlights of ICDS programme. In addition there is a need for constant follow up between Education department and DWCD so that joint trainings, guidelines and monitoring framework is developed which will require someone to be full time on the job.  |
| **Supervisor:** Education Specialist , UNICEF Rajasthan  | **Proposed Start Date:** | **Proposed End Date:** | **Number of Days/Months (working)** |
|  | *March 2017* | *Dec 2017* | *10 months*  |

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| **Work Assignment Overview** |
| **Tasks:** | **Deliverables/Outputs:** | **Date** | **Budget Amount** **(estimated)** |
| **Task 1:** Support the state in planning and monitoring of the ECE component of ICDS.  |  Recommend a system of regular review meeting within ICDS on ECE at state , district and sector levels inclusive of reporting formats ,period of review and planning including tracking of children progress in preschool areas  | Two and a half months  | 25 %  |
| Recommendations on the existing online monitoring systems to add ECE components |
| Recommendations for sectoral meetings so that monthly mentoring support to anganwadi workers on ECE as well as reporting framework  |
| Suggestions to MIS on analysing the reports from sector meetings on ECE  |
| Technical support—IEC developed on various areas of ECE  |
|  | Inputs for the PIP on ECE for ICDS to be submitted to MWCD based on evidence and good practices from the field |
| **Task 2:** * Support ICDS to equip centers with age appropriate theme based TLM
 | Facilitate and give technical support to ICDS to coordinate workshops for development of activity books , manuals for anganwadi workers supervisors  | Two months  | 20% |
| Assessment areas for tracking progress in ECE age wise developed and shared with ICDS for endorsement  |
| Indicators developed for panchayat engagement in AWC shared with both departments  |
| **Task 3:*** A framework for coordination between Education and ICDS developed
 | * Framework clearly defining how preschool can be supported by Education and DWCD departments
 | 3 months  | 30 %  |
| * Support regular review meetings of the coordination committee – agenda , minutes and follow up areas
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| * Guidelines for Principals, head teachers class 1-2 teacher in supporting preschool education in anganwadi centers
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| * Recommendation for areas of coordination school level , cluster , block and district levels
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| * Sharing of best practices in Government as well as Non-government initiatives in collaborations
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| * Manuals for Capacity building of Principals , head teachers and teachers on key areas of ECE
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| **Task 4:*** Capacity building of Anganwadi training institutes so as to conduct effective training of ECE
 | * SWOT analysis to identify the strengths and gaps in AWTC and MLTC
 | Two and a half months  | 20 %  |
| * A two year capacity enhancement plan developed for AWTCs for effective implementation of ECE.
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| * Manuals for TOT of the 20 AWTCs on preschool Education.
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| * List of reference materials to be shared with AWTCs to enhance their understanding on ECE
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| * Reports of trainings where as resource person in preschool training of AWTC
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| **Terms of payment****Deliverable payment of fees, inclusive of travel allowances, upon completion and submission of reports** | [x]  Payment, upon completion of each deliverable according to schedule.[ ]  Payment, upon completion of all deliverables at the end of assignment.[ ]  Fee advance, percentage (up to 30 % of total fee) |
| **Minimum Qualifications required:** | **Knowledge/Expertise/Skills required:** |
| Master’s Degree in Social Sciences, Education or related subject  | **Work Experience:**  * At least three years of professional work experience on Education , work in ECE will be an added advantage
* Vast experience in project design, implementation
* Proven ability to advocate effectively with state and district level officers of counterpart and other departments;
* Ability to use computer software i.e. Windows XP, MS Office, MS Excel, PowerPoint and Internet based programmes;
* Previous experience working with UN or bilateral agency will be an advantage;

**Languages:** Fluency in English and Hindi. **Critical Competencies:**Technical* Ability to communicate clearly ideas and concepts both oral and written
* Proven ability to conceptualize, innovate, plan and execute ideas and systems.
* Ability to plan, coordinate and manage multi activities and adjust to changing priorities.
* Ability to organise, manage and participate within teams.
* Ability to organize and implement training aimed to building capacity.
* Ability to analyze data, identify bottlenecks to improve systems and provide recommendations
* Good interpersonal skills to ensure effective working relationship with partners and colleagues. Sensitivity to partner’s needs and expectations, maintaining open communications.
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**Financial Bid**

**INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT FOR ECE (UNICEF Jaipur)**

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| **Major Tasks** | **Deliverable (s)** | **UNICEF Estimate** | **Consultant's Proposal** |
|  |  | **Estimated deadline for completion of deliverable (please mention as days/months)** | **Estimated travel required for completion of deliverable (please mention destination/ number of days)** | **Complete timeframe for deliverable** | **Cost (INR)**(All-inclusive i.e. professional fee, travel, DSA, communication, etc.) |
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**TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA**

**Consultant ECE**

1 | Educational Qualifications 35 Marks

2 | Relevant Experience 25 marks

3 | Expertise 25 Marks

4 | Language 10 Marks

5 | Experience in Bilateral/International/UN agencies 5 Marks

* Total Score should be 100.
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