ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR GRANTS
of the EU Delegation to India

1. Basic act and Financing source
Instrument for Stability – Crisis Preparedness Component (Peace-Building Partnership)

Budget Line 19 06 01 01.

2. Objectives of the programme, priorities for 2013-2017 and expected results

The title of the Call for Proposals for South Asia, which is managed by the EU Delegation to India is: "Support to in-country actors to prevent and respond to crises in fragile and conflict-affected situations in South Asia".

The overall objective of this Call for Proposals is to support local actors' initiatives for the prevention of conflicts and the consolidation of peace in South Asia, while contributing to the broader objectives listed above in relation to capacity-building, networking and advocacy, and dialogue.

The specific objectives of this Call for Proposals are:
1. To strengthen the capacity of and support the efforts of local actors in promoting the role of women and inclusion of gender considerations at decision-making levels and within civil society, in particular in relation to mechanisms for the prevention, management and resolution of conflicts;
2. To support actors working with children and youth in conflict-affected environments, in their various roles as victims of conflict, potential contributors to tension, and potential peace-builders;
3. To strengthen the capacity and voice of local actors working to address links between natural resources and conflict.

KEY INTERVENTIONS, ACTIONS AND LOCATION

Actions to be funded under this CfP will have to address at least one of the following thematic priorities:
1. Women, peace and security
2. Children and Youth, Peace and Conflict
3. Natural Resources and Conflict

This call for proposals is divided into four Lots depending on where the action is implemented:
Lot 1: India
Lot 2: Nepal
Lot 3: Bangladesh
Lot 4: Multiple countries
Actions under Lots 1, 2 and 3 must take place in either India, Nepal or Bangladesh. Actions under Lot 4 must take place in two or more countries. The project's core activities should focus on India, Nepal and/or Bangladesh, but regional or multi-country projects may also include some activities in, or the involvement of, actors from Bhutan, Sri Lanka, the Maldives and Myanmar in addition to the three countries above.

3. Eligibility conditions
In order to be eligible for a grant, applicants must:
- be legal persons; and
- be non-profit-making; and
- be non-state actors, as defined under art. 10.2 of the IfS Regulation. These include: nongovernmental organisations, organisations representing indigenous people, local citizens' groups and traders' associations, cooperatives, trade unions, organisations representing economic and social interests, local organisations (including networks) involved in decentralised regional cooperation and integration, consumer organisations, women's and youth organisations, teaching, cultural, research and scientific organisations, universities, churches and religious associations and communities, the media and any non-governmental associations, and private and public foundations likely to contribute to the development or the external dimension of internal policies; and
- be established in any country eligible under the relevant strategy. For the purpose of this Call for Proposals, and in accordance with Article 17.5 of the Instrument for Stability Regulation, the award of grant contracts shall be open on a global basis; and
- be constituted in accordance with the legislation in force in the country concerned; and
- be directly responsible for the preparation and management of the action with the co-applicant(s) and affiliated entity(ies), not acting as an intermediary; and
- be registered for at least three years at the time of the submission of an application; and
- be able to demonstrate that they have regularly carried out activities in the field of development covered by this programme at least during the last two years at the time of the submission of an application.

4. Selection and award criteria
The evaluation will be carried out in accordance with the procedures set out in the Practical Guide to contract procedures for EU external actions

5. Maximum rate of European Union financing
Indicative allocation of funds by lot/geographical distribution:
Lot 1: India: EUR 400,000
Lot 2: Nepal: EUR 400,000
Lot 3: Bangladesh: EUR 400,000
Lot 4: Multiple countries: EUR 800,000
If the minimum percentage indicated for a specific lot cannot be used due to insufficient quality or number of proposals received, the Contracting Authority reserves the right to reallocate the
remaining funds to another lot.

Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must fall between the following minimum and maximum amounts:
Lot 1, 2 and 3:
- minimum amount: EUR 200,000
- maximum amount: EUR 400,000
Lot 4:
- minimum amount: EUR 300,000
- maximum amount: EUR 800,000

Any grant requested under this Call for Proposals must fall between the following minimum and maximum percentages of total eligible costs of the action:
- Minimum percentage: 50 % of the total eligible costs of the action.
- Maximum percentage: 80 % of the total eligible costs of the action.

6. Schedule of calls for proposals

The Call was published in February 2013, contracting by December 2013.

7. Indicative amount of calls for proposals

The overall indicative amount made available under this Call for Proposals is € 2,000,000.