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Notification

Faculty of Social Work is inviting applications from interested candidates for empanelment as Evaluators for evaluation of Targeted Interventions (TI) and Link Worker Schemes (LWS) under the project **Saksham Pramaan- Targeted Interventions and Link Worker Scheme Evaluation for National AIDS Control Programme (NACP)**.

Requirement	3 member teams	Desired Qualification and Experience
	2 External evaluators, one of them would be the lead evaluators and another one would be the co-evaluator.	1. Postgraduate in any Social Work, Public Health, and other allied Social Sciences. 2. Community members with minimum qualification of graduation in Social Sciences and at least 2 years of experience in HIV/AIDS prevention programme are also eligible to apply. 3. Minimum 5 years' experience in developmental sector and preferably at least 1 year in HIV/AIDS prevention programme.
	1 Accounts/ finance person.	1. The minimum qualification is a degree in Commerce or an intern from a CA firm with degree in Commerce. State AIDS Control Society (SACS) internal auditors should not be engaged in TI evaluation due to possible conflict of interest.
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Preference shall be given to candidates, who have prior experience evaluating development programmes.2. Sensitive towards issues relating to HRG communities and PLHIVs.3. Willing to undertake extensive field visits to intervention sites.4. Well versed in reporting and documentation.5. Conversant in local language in addition to English.6. She/he shall have experience in conducting FGDs/IDIs with HRGs and Bridge population.7. Evaluators should not be currently associated with any TI projects/development partners who are supporting NACP both at National and State level.		

Process of empanelment:

Interested candidates should send an email to saksham.pramaan-sw@msubaroda.ac.in with the subject line: **“EoI for Evaluators under TI and LWS Scheme”** along with a cover letter and a detailed resume addressed to the Dean, Faculty of Social Work, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara. Scanned soft copies of Academic marksheets (Masters and Bachelors), duly attested, should also be attached. Former evaluators are requested to share their prior experience in conducting the TI/LWS evaluations.

The last date of application is 18th December 2021. No incomplete applications will be accepted. The shortlisted candidates shall be intimated regarding further procedure through e-mail/call.

Project details:

India is committed to 'ending the AIDS' epidemic as a public health threat by 2030 in line with Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). National Strategic Plan (NSP) has a vision to realize the 'Three Zeros' - zero new infections, zero AIDS-related deaths and zero discrimination.

First Priority of the NSP 2017-24 is to accelerate HIV prevention in 'at risk' population including 'key population'. There is a need to evaluate the targeted interventions keeping in mind the priorities and strategies of National Strategic Plan (NSP). This calls for capacity building of the evaluators in recently revised formats for TI and LWS evaluation.

SSR in coordination with TISS under NACP will undertake annual evaluation of Targeted Intervention (TI) and Link Workers Scheme (LWS). The TIs reach out to the key High-Risk groups (HRGs) such as Female Sex Workers (FSW), Male having Sex with Male (MSM), Transgender/Hijra (TG), Injecting Drug Users (IDUs) and Bridge Populations such as Migrants and Long-Distance Truckers. Link Worker Scheme (LWS) reach out to HRGs, Bridge Population, Vulnerable Population residing in the rural areas. Together, there are about 1600 TI and LWS 30 catering to more than one million core group and about six million among bridge populations.

The end term evaluation carried out by the State AIDS Control Societies (SACS) and National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO) aims to assess the quality and performance of TI projects implemented by NGOs/CBOs. This process, based on various parameters, will determine the continuation or discontinuation of individual TIs in the state. Usually, TIs have been evaluated

once in two years, i.e. during 21st or 22nd month. For the newly recruited TIs (base year 2019-2020), the first evaluation will be conducted during 32nd and 33rd month of the project period.

This year at National level, TISS will lead the evaluations with partner institutes at state level in coordination with State AIDS Control Society (SACS) and National AIDS Control Organization (NACO) TI division.

Objectives of the evaluation:

1. To assess the performance of TIs in terms of gaps between planned targets and actual achievements.
2. To assess component-specific quality of TI.
3. To assess knowledge level, condom use, health seeking behaviours.
4. To assess the component wise expenditure of and look for variance.
5. To assess the quality and performance of project staff and peer educators during the review period.
6. To assess various systems (accounts/ finance/ human resource/program management) in place at TI NGO/CBO and their effectiveness in the implementation of TIs.
7. To assess the organization capacity.
8. To assess community engagements.
9. To assess the innovations if any.

Evaluators are required to:

- a. Evaluators should spend three full days in each TIs/LWS.
- b. It is recommended that the evaluators should visit the community at appropriate hours for informal interaction as per the convenience of the community.
- c. At least 10% of the HRG randomly selected and are to be contacted by the evaluation team through one to one contact or small group discussions in 10% of the hotspots randomly selected by the evaluator.
- d. The evaluation report including soft copy of the evaluation tool, and detailed report shall be submitted on the 3rd day of completion of the evaluation at any TI to respective State AIDS Control Society (SACS).
- e. The overall report should be shared within 7 days after completing the evaluation of any TI to State Sub-Recipient (SSR) / Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS).

- f. The final signed evaluation report should be submitted by emails to respective State AIDS Control Society (SACS).

One evaluator/team of evaluators can conduct maximum 5 TI evaluations in one state.

Charges to Evaluators:

Honorarium will be paid to evaluators by respective State AIDS Control Society (SACS). Respective SACS will reimburse the travel and stay for the period of evaluation as per the National AIDS Control Organization (NACO) norms.

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