



IGAD Regional Pastoral Livelihoods Resilience Project (RPLRP)

Terms of Reference

Consultancy to Review Policy on the Roles of Private and Public Sector in Supply and Provision of Animal Health Services in IGAD Region and Develop Regional Framework

1. Introduction

The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) in the Greater Horn of Africa (GHOA) is a Regional organization with the mission to assist and complement the efforts of the member States to achieve, through increased cooperation, food security and environmental protection; promotion and maintenance of peace and security and humanitarian affairs; and, economic cooperation and integration.

Agriculture is the core economic sector of the IGAD Member States. It employs about 75% of the population with livestock on average contributing 57% of the agricultural GDP thus making the sector a key contributor to the economies of the IGAD member States. More than 60% of the land mass in IGAD region is Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs) which is dominated by Pastoralism that is the extensive mobile rearing of livestock on communal rangelands. It is the major livelihood and production system practiced in ASALs thereby employing a greater percentage of the population. The ASALs is home for pastoral population who largely depend on livestock for both income and livelihoods.

Though Pastoralism supports livelihoods of millions in the region, it is faced with myriads of challenges including changing conditions due to long-term environmental degradation, climate change, increasing competition for natural resource use, constrained mobility as a result of new settlements, large scale development schemes and border controls. These constraints have exposed pastoralists to vulnerabilities and made them prone to conflict and food insecurity. Most of these challenges require regional solutions since pastoralists have to engage in seasonal migration across national borders to sustain viable livelihoods. Cross border migration is also important for the efficient use and protection of rangelands in the ASALs, and for an adequate adaptation to climate change since pastoralist ecosystems transcend national borders.

Other challenges emanated from the introduction of unfavorable government policies during 1980's in some of the member States that resulted from structural adjustment programmes that culminated into under-funding of livestock sector by both the public and private sectors. This led

to poor animal health service delivery, inadequate functioning of institutional settings and weak implementation capacity of policies, regulations and standards with a perpetuation and resurgence of trans-boundary animal diseases (TADs) in the region.

Generally, animal health service delivery is the responsibility of the national veterinary services that comprise of the public veterinary authority, private veterinarians and veterinary para-professionals. However, the prevention and control of Trans-boundary Animal Diseases (TADs), zoonoses and other diseases with a strong economic impact that relate to the concept of national and/or global public good is the responsibility of the State and its Veterinary Administration. This role was affected by introduction of structural adjustment programmes in the 1980's that scaled down government budgetary allocation to the sector while the role of the private sector remained unclear in terms of policy and legal framework in some of the IGAD MS same as in some other African countries.

2. Background to RPLRP

As part of its wider drought resilience building initiative in the Horn of Africa, IGAD has secured financial support from the World Bank to execute a project called **Regional Pastoral Livelihoods Resilience Project** (RPLRP). The project is being undertaken concomitantly in three IGAD member states (Kenya, Ethiopia and Uganda) under the general coordination of IGAD, within the framework of the IGAD Drought Disaster Resilience and Sustainability Initiative (IDDRSI); and alignment with the Regional Programming Paper (RPP) and the respective Countries' Programming Papers (CPPs). The parallel RPLRP projects in the three countries converge at IGAD level giving regional context. The Project objectives are to enhance livelihood resilience of pastoral and agro-pastoral communities in cross-border drought prone areas of selected countries and improve their capacity to respond promptly and effectively to an eligible crisis or emergency. The IGAD RPLRP focus on harmonized Regional policies, scaling up good practices across the countries and facilitate discussions on issues related to cross border activities.

2.1 Project Components:

The project has five main components which are the same across the three project countries and IGAD. The five project components (PC) are:

PC1, Natural Resources Management: aims at enhancing the sustainable management and secures access of pastoral and agro-pastoral communities to natural resources (water and pasture) with trans-boundary significance.

PC2, Market Access and Trade: aims at improving the market access of the agro-pastoralists and pastoralists to the intra-regional and international markets of livestock and livestock products.

PC3, Livelihood Support: aims at enhancing the livelihoods of pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities.

PC4, Pastoral Risk Management: aims at enhancing drought-related hazards and preparedness, prevention and response at the national and regional levels.

PC5, Project Management and Institutional Support: focus on all aspects related to overall project management, including monitoring safeguards mitigation measures identified in the different frameworks disclosed, and institutional strengthening at national and Regional levels for drought resilience.

To remedy and build on the collective action in the region, the assignment seeks to review policies on the roles of private and public sector in supply and provision of animal health services in the region and develop the regional framework. The policy review aspect focuses on among others animal drug supply and distribution, drug regulatory body and mechanisms, quarantine services, vaccination, animal health service and control of trans-boundary animal diseases. It looks into policy aspect in terms of role of private sector and public sector in supply and delivery of the services. A regional framework for the roles of the public and private sectors for supply and provision of animal health service is important for harmonized intervention not only in control of TADs but in dealing with other constraints affecting animal husbandry in the ASALs of the IGAD region. This consultancy will target the RPLRP countries: Kenya, Uganda and Ethiopia for the review in order to develop the regional framework. However, efforts will be made to collect relevant data and lessons from other IGAD member states.

3. Objective(s) and Scope of the Assignment

Under the overall supervision of the IGAD RPLRP coordinator and the technical supervision of the ICPALD Head of Livestock and Fisheries, and in close consultation with the RPLRP National Team leaders of Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda, the Consultant will be responsible for review of policies related to role of public and private sector in the animal health services supply and provision and prepare a regional framework. In undertaking this assignment, the Consultant will carry out but not limited to the following tasks:

- a) Travel to the three member States, meet with key stakeholders and gather policies relevant to animal health service regulatory by-laws as pertains the role of the public and private sectors in the supply of animal health services in the three project countries and other IGAD MS for efficient service delivery and management of major identified constraints through key informant and focused group discussions,
- b) Link with FAO ECTAD and OIE regional offices for the East- and Horn of Africa, as key technical and standard setting organizations in animal health, as well as with African Union – Inter-african Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR) and ensure their support and inputs to this task.
- c) Carry out an evaluation of the role of the public sector in terms of resource allocation towards animal health service delivery in compliance with OIE performance evaluation of veterinary service (PVS) requirements, gather suggestions on proposals to review the national allocations to the sector,

- d) Carry out policy analysis (including the gaps) of the role of the public and private sector in the livestock sector detailing the strengths, weaknesses and opportunities of their engagement in supply and provision of animal health service in the livestock sector,
- e) Document lessons on the role of the public and private sector in supply of animal health service delivery towards prevention and control of trans-boundary animal diseases and zoonoses management in Africa and Asia
- f) Draft a regional framework on the roles of Private and public sector in supply of animal health services
- g) Facilitate a regional workshop to review by the IGAD MS and other partners the findings of review and the draft regional framework;
- h) Consolidate the review and regional framework by incorporating input from the regional validation workshop.

4. Expected Deliverables

- An inception report reflecting clear conceptualization of the task, the method of execution and a work plan to ensure that the final report provides the required national level inputs of the role of the public and private sectors in animal health service delivery,
- Develop a report contextualizing roles of public and private sectors after internalizing the roles and levels of public and private sector engagement towards animal health service delivery to mitigate the constraints that Pastoralism faces in the three countries,
- Develop a final report and the regional framework after a validation workshop. The report should consist of a main report and relevant brief annexes.
- The consultant is expected to provide two hardcopy of the report and the electronic master file (preferably in two CDs) for further production and dissemination, as necessary, by IGAD Centre for Pastoral Area and Livestock Development (ICPALD). The document and its findings will remain the property of ICPALD.

4.1. Workshop

- In close coordination with the RPLRP, ICPALD, OIE and FAO organize and convene a validation workshop,
- Attend the workshop and present the study findings and participate in the development of the “way forward”.
- Act as a resource person in the validation workshop to validate the findings of the study.
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5. Consultancy Location and Office Accommodation

For desk review, the consultant will use his/her own office accommodation and facilities

6. Equipment

The consultant will provide her/his own computer/laptop and software for this work. The consultant is responsible for photocopying, telephone and Internet facilities while doing his/her field work in the member states.

7. Consultancy Duration and fees

- The consultancy work shall start within 10 days after signing of work contract with IGAD but workshop timeline can be negotiated to account for possible idle time when waiting for inputs from other stakeholders and considering any unforeseen extenuating circumstances
- The consultancy is fixed at a maximum of 30 person-days, It is expected that the consultant work will commence not later than July 2016

8. Qualifications

8.1 Education

Post-graduate Degree from a recognized institution in epidemiology and economics, animal health or animal production, or equivalent combination of training and experience

8.2 Work Experience

- At least 10 years experience and knowledge in animal health service delivery and development of policies.
- Proven experience at programming at policy level
- Experience in conducting and facilitating dialogue with national, regional and international organizations
- Knowledge of the IGAD member states will be an added advantage

8.3 Other Competencies

- A proven successful track record in writing national and regional policies, legislations and frameworks
- Experience in conducted some PVS missions in East Africa would be an advantage,
- Ability in conducting independent analyses, identifying issues, formulating options and making conclusions and recommendations,
- Comprehensive understanding of animal health service delivery by the public and private sectors,
- Excellent skills and ability to articulate ideas in a clear and accurate manner including the ability to prepare reports
- Command in oral and written English is essential
- Good interpersonal skills and ability to establish and maintain effective working relations

9. Selection Criteria

The selection criteria education and work experiences (as described above), good track record in delivering assignment, experience of working in IGAD region and familiarity with Pasoralism context and animal health service

10. Reporting Requirements and Time Schedule for Deliverables

The Consultant will work under the direction and guidance of the Project Coordinator (PC) and directly report to the ICPLAD Head of Livestock and Fisheries on all

technical and administrative matters. The output's indicated above will be approved by the PC and any payment will be subject to this approval. The reports referenced herein will conform to a format approved by IGAD RPLRP and ICPLAD. All paper copies of the deliverables must be accompanied by electronic versions in the respective Microsoft Office application format (e.g: MS Word for documents, MS Excel for spreadsheets), all images shall be provided in an editable digital format (e.g. high quality JPG or PNG).

11. Payment Schedule:

Output/ activity completed	Payment in percent of the contract amount	Estimated date of completion
Signing of contract and inception report	20%	Inception report within 10 days of signing the contract
Initial draft	40%	Within two months of signing the contract
A final report including workshop proceeding	40%	Within one month after receiving comment on draft report

12. Report will be submitted to

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Applications:

Interested candidates should submit their applications accompanied by a detailed CV, copies of both academic and professional certificates and testimonials, names and addresses of three reputable referees, contact details (e-mail, telephone) should be sent by email to: rose.tsuma@igad.int with cc to dereje.wakjira@igad.int, . All applications should be received not later than June 21st 2016.

IGAD RPLRP shall only respond to shortlisted candidates