



IGAD Center for Pastoral Areas and Livestock Development (ICPALD),
Consultancy to map existing pro-pastoral policies and strategies, laws and
regulatory frameworks
Terms of Reference (ToR)

Background

Pastoralism is a socio-economic way of life that is based on herding and raising livestock in free range. The practice has been passed down through generations in various parts of the world. It is a common livelihood practice adopted by several communities across the globe. The IGAD region is characterized by arid and semiarid landscapes and environments particularly in the border areas. The region hosts the largest population of pastoralists in Africa, which are transhumant in nature as they move seasonally from one area to another to access pasture, water and land resources. Livelihood systems in the border communities in the region have evolved into pastoralism and agro-pastoralism, being the most economically viable and environmentally sound system suited in ASAL regions due to low land carrying capacity and increased frequency of weather-related emergencies due to effects of climate change.

Pastoralism livelihood is however increasingly coming under threat despite the fact that seasonal mobility (transhumance) to access pastures and water which is central to their adaptation to the environment. Over the past few decades, pastoralist livelihoods in the region have been adversely affected by climate extremes such as frequent drought and floods, which continue to increase vulnerability in the region. In recent years, combined factors affected pastoralists' livelihoods among others, insecurity and conflicts; restriction of their mobility; inadequate grazing land access; increasing invasive plant species, pastoralism land alienation for other economic activities in addition to adverse climate change/variability.

IGAD Centre for Pastoral Areas and Livestock Development (ICPALD) is partner in implementation of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the European Union (EU) programme designed to strengthen the resilience of pastoralists in Eastern Africa. The initiative, named "*Pastoralism and Livestock Adaptation to Climate Change in Eastern Africa Programme (PLACE)*," is designed to address the challenges in developing sustainable, climate-resilient pastoral systems across the environmental, economic and social dimensions of pastoralism in the face of a rapidly changing climate. The project will be implemented in four cross-border cluster areas; Bahr el-Arab, Karamoja, Mandera and Mara-Serengeti Clusters, covering seven countries; viz, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan (the), United Republic of Tanzania, and Uganda.



Apart from setting up the required project/ programme structures, a key feature of the inception phase is its provision for the review of the Logframe to adjust indicators, establish targets and modification of output statements and activities as necessary. One of the task identified during this inception phase is that to document the existing pro-pastoral policies and strategies, their status of implementation including responsibilities and functionality of regional and national associations/ networks in the IGAD region. The documented policies and strategies will inform project implementation, and inform complimentary initiatives.

Purpose

The purpose of the technical service is to map and document the existing pro-pastoral policies and strategies, their status of implementation including responsibilities and functionality of regional and national associations / networks in the IGAD region. The documented policies and strategies will be disseminated to create awareness and inform complimentary support initiatives, in particular the EU-funded PLACE Africa programme.

Scope of the assignment

This task will involve carrying out a comprehensive assessment in the project countries in which the project is being implemented with a focus on the four cross-border cluster areas. Field missions will be conducted in the countries. The consultant will interact with various groups/ associations/ networks including, parliamentary committees; cross border committees including traditional institutions; livestock regulatory bodies/ authorities at the ministries; pro-pastoralist NGOs and CBOs; community based pastoral associations; and pro-pastoral champions/ activists. The results and information gathered in the form of a draft report will be subjected to a validation at a meeting that will be organised by ICPALD.

Specific Tasks

- a. Review existing pro-pastoral policies and strategies, laws and regulatory frameworks, their status of implementation including responsibilities and functionality of sub-national and national governments, associations/ networks in the IGAD region;
- b. Review previous similar works by regional and continental entities such as IGAD, AU, EAC, AUIBAR, COMESA;
- c. Collect and review existing national and sub-national pro-pastoral policies and strategies, laws and regulatory frameworks, their status of implementation including responsibilities and functionality of regional and national associations/ networks in the IGAD region;
- d. Document gaps and implementation challenges of these policies, strategies, and regulatory frameworks and suggest recommendations towards improved policy coherence and action;



- e. Based on the review and the assessment, roles/responsibilities, propose a road map on how to make implementation an efficient process at both national and regional levels;
- f. Share a draft with ICPALD technical team for technical guidance and further input;
- g. Share a final draft report by including comments provided by stakeholders as ready for printing;
- h. Present the findings at a meeting organized by ICPALD in close collaboration with FAO;
- i. Draft at least two policy briefs from the study findings.

Deliverables

- a. An inception report detailing understanding of the assignment and schedule, literature review, quotation for consultancy fee, air tickets/ road transport, DSA, etc.;
- b. Draft document on existing pro-pastoral policies and strategies, laws and regulatory frameworks, their status of implementation including responsibilities and functionality of regional and national associations/ networks in the IGAD region; and implementation challenges and recommendations;
- c. Final draft document on existing pro-pastoral policies and strategies, laws and regulatory frameworks, their status of implementation including responsibilities and functionality of regional and national associations/ networks in the IGAD region in a printable format; and,
- d. Presentation of the findings at a meeting organized by ICPALD in close collaboration with FAO.
- e. Two Policy briefs

Qualifications, Competence, Skills and Knowledge

Academic Qualifications of lead expert

Master's degree or above in policy analysis, resource economics, dryland development, or a related field from a recognized university.

Work Experience and Competencies

- At least 10 year past experience in policy analysis, preparation and documentation;
- At least five-year experience in Pastoralism in Arid and semi-arid lands (ASALs) in the context of pastoral and agro-pastoral livelihood systems;
- Experience with Microsoft Office, including Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook; and other qualitative data analysis tools



- At least two similar assignments delivered in the past has to be presented for sample

Other Experience/ Knowledge / Abilities

- Experience working in multiple countries in the region through a regional and international organization (s) is desirable;
- Strong interpersonal skills and ability to deal with technical and people management challenges;
- Verbal and written communication skills in English. French will be an added advantage.

Consultancy Duration and Fees

The consultancy is fixed at a maximum of 25 person-day spread over two months.

Consultancy Location and Office Accommodation

The consultant will be closely working with assigned technical staff by regularly holding physical and virtual meetings and visit.

Equipment

The consultant will use his/her office accommodation and facilities.

Reporting and Management of the Assignment

The Consultant will work under the direct supervision of the ICPALD Head of Livestock and Fisheries with technical guidance of the Technical Team comprising Livestock/ rangeland specialists. The outputs indicated above and adherence to the time schedule will be approved by the ICPALD Director, and any payment will be subject to this approval. The reports referenced herein will conform to a format approved by ICPALD. 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 and MS Excel for spreadsheets). All images shall be provided in an editable digital format (e.g., high-quality JPG or PNG).

Selection criteria

The selection criteria are relevant education background, relevant work experience (as described above); good track record in delivering similar assignments; experience working in the IGAD region; and familiarity with Pastoralism context.

Consultancy Duration and Payment Schedule

Output/ activity completed.	Payment in percent of the contract amount	Estimated date of completion
The signing of the contract and approval of the inception report	20%	7 days after approval of inception report as indicated in the contract



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