

TERMS OF REFERENCE

STUDY ON PLIGHT OF DISPLACED COMMUNITIES

BACKGROUND

Odisha has witnessed one of India's first cases of climate displacement after decades of slow shoreline changes and coastal erosion that sparked involuntary displacement and migration around several villages in the Kendrapara district. These areas mostly lie around the village of Satabhaya (locally understood as seven villages) with agriculture and fishing as the mainstay of the community. The Government of Odisha has relocated 571 families from the eroded village of Satabhaya to the hamlet village of Bagapatia in Gupti GP of Rajnagar in June 2017. The families are described by some as India's first "Climate Refugees".

With the support of Misereor, Germany RCDC has, in the month of December 2021, launched a program titled, "Ensuring rehabilitation, skill building, livelihoods and resilience of climate displaced people of Bagapatia in Kendrapada district of Odisha" in the Bagapatia resettlement colony of relocated Satabhaya Gram Panchayat in Rajnagar block of Kendrapada district in Odisha, India.

The Project objectives are:

- Improving the living conditions of 719 displaced and to be displaced families of Satabhaya to Bagapatia resettlement colony
- Facilitating Skill building and providing material support for promoting alternative livelihoods for the communities

PURPOSE OF THE STUDY

The study is titled; "Study on plight of displaced communities" will be conducted in the Bagapatia resettlement colony situated in the newly constituted Satabhaya Panchayat in Rajnagar Block of Kendrapara district in Odisha. It will ascertain the troubles faced by the residents of the original villages due to the advancing sea, and the displacement, and also the deficiencies of the rehabilitation process. This study will be used to know the perils of displacement and will sensitize policymakers and government officials as well as civil society leaders to go in for humanitarian measures to allay the trauma and other woes of displacement, and ensure a proper rehabilitation mechanism. This study will also help in formulating the next step of the program and also be a reference for understanding the problems faced by displaced communities in general.

METHODOLOGY OF THE STUDY

The study has to be undertaken in the Bagapatia Resettlement Colony in the newly constructed Satapbhaya Panchayat. The study will involve review of literature, direct questions, as well as discussions.

DURATION OF THE STUDY

S No	Activity	Timeline
1.	Signing of Contract, Induction Meeting	2 August 2023
2.	Study Roll Out	4 August 2023
3.	Review of progress and course correction	16 August 2023
4.	Draft Report	20 August 2023
5.	Consultation and feedback	22 August 2023
6.	Final Report	25 August 2023

KEY DELIVERABLES

Within the period of engagement, the Consultant is expected to carry out the following would be deliverables of the report:

- a) Tools – Checklist for in depth Interaction and FGDs
- b) Debrief Presentation
- c) Concise Report in line with objectives of the Assignment. This would capture steps and status with evidence-based annexures.

EVALUATOR

The expert should have considerable experience in undertaking such evaluation programs in areas like climate change and environment, coastal erosion, Resettlement & Rehabilitation Policy, and social mobilization. The expert needs to be broadly familiar with displacement issues. S/He should have wide experience in the development sector in Odisha. S/he will ensure that all reports and documents produced by the evaluation are consistent with the purpose and objectives of the evaluation.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST/ PROPOSAL

Proposals should be no longer than 5 pages, (excluding CVs, budget and example piece of work).

The Proposals should include:

- Short overview of how the candidate meets the qualifications, experience and skills requirements (no more than one page)
- Description of proposed approach

MAXIMUM BUDGET AVAILABLE

- Please note, the maximum budget available for this evaluation is: INR 2,50,000/- (Rupees two lakh Fifty thousand Only).
- This would include travel, food & accommodation.

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST / APPLICATION

Applications for this consultancy should be emailed to rcdcbbsr@gmail.com by 5:00 pm IST on Thursday, 25th July 2023 with **RCDC Study: "Plight of Displaced Communities"** in the subject line.
