



ToR – Palestinians in Lebanon: Contextual Analysis and Strategy Consultant

1. **Background:** Norwegian People's Aid (NPA) is a humanitarian and development organization rooted in the Norwegian Labour Movement. We work with development in partnership with national NGOs, with humanitarian action in protection and livelihood sector as well as with humanitarian mine action and disarmament. In Norway, we also work on rescue services and first aid, and NPA has more than 12,000 members in Norway and 2400 staff worldwide.

2. **Consultant profile:**

Education:

- Advanced degree in sociology, psychology, gender studies, political sciences, law, human rights, development studies, and/or other related areas relevant for the assignment.
- Full proficiency in Arabic and English.
- Human rights and development training or studies will be an asset.

Required Experience:

- Minimum of 8 years, experience and strong background in developing methodologies and research work, conducting surveys, situational analysis, contextual studies, and similar publications as well as developing strategies and concept notes.
- Minimum of 5 years' experience and expertise working on programs directly related and relevant to the Palestinian community in Lebanon.
- Demonstrable report writing skills and experience, proven analytical and facilitation skills with emphasis on clear and actionable recommendations on project design, implementation and scope of improvements.
- Strong knowledge and extensive familiarity in the Lebanon and MENA contexts especially of the Palestinian community in Lebanon.
- Experience in the use of participatory and gender sensitive assessment/ research methodologies.
- Strong experience with digital tools development, data collection methods, data management and analysis using ICT systems.
- Demonstrated ability to handle confidential matters in a discreet and respectful manner.
- If submitting as consultancy firm, a minimum of 3 years of work experience with the firm submitting expression of interest.

Other relevant qualifications:

- Previous experience in conducting surveys, research, and studies at the local and national level with a focus on Palestinian communities in Lebanon.
- Strong grasp of the donor pool relevant to Palestinian focused programs
- Previous experience in developing concept notes
- Good understanding of multiple social movements, activists, community actors.
- Knowledge of NPA programs in MENA and NPA work methodology will be considered an asset.

3. **Implementation period:** December 2021 to March 2022

4. **How to Apply:** Please submit a technical and financial proposal to jengha567@npaid.org by **COB November 26, 2021** ensuring that the subject of the email is as follows: **"Palestinian Contextual Analysis and Strategy Consultant"**



Technical Proposal must be no longer than five pages including:

- Proposed methodology including potential techniques and tools to be used as well as suggested timeline
- Copy of CV
- List of previous similar projects undertaken

Financial Proposal must include:

- Itemized consultants' fees and costs ensuring to indicate professional daily rate or sessions rate including all costs that would be invoiced to NPA
- Proof of Registration

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1. Purpose of the research:

Background Information

Despite their longstanding presence, the Palestinian refugees in Lebanon remain excluded from key aspects of social, political and economic life in the country. While Palestinians demand for free movement and their inclusion in the Lebanese labor and real estate markets, the political inclusion and governance within the refugee community is a contested topic. On the other hand, neither the Palestinians nor the Lebanese want the complete assimilation or “Tawteen / Naturalization” of refugees into the Lebanese State. The ideal case scenario would be one where “citizen refugees” enjoy civil and economic rights as well as the right to space and mobility, all the while contributing through their production, consumption and tax paying to the Lebanese economy as a whole. That is until their final settlement has been achieved through the implementation of “the right of return” as validated in United Nations General Assembly Resolution 194.

Specific objectives

The objective of the study is to provide a contextual analysis which demonstrates a clear narrative around the quality of life of Palestinians living in Lebanon today. The study will focus not only on history but also on the ramifications of the current socio-economic situation on the daily lives of Palestinian refugees in Lebanon. The analysis should be needs and human rights based to include a better understanding of the key actors in Palestinian Civil Societies present today, potential areas where actors organize and mobilize, humanitarian needs, capacity of local civil society to respond to needs, etc.

This study will inform the development of an operational strategy which would provide NPA with a roadmap to addressing the needs of the Palestinian community in Lebanon. The study and operational strategy will result in the development of two concept notes to be used to assist in acquiring funds for the program.

Specifically, the consultant will:

- Develop a community and country-level context analysis to identify needs, priorities, and areas of intervention. The context analysis will cover political, economic and social factors, among other.
- Develop an operational strategy that builds on NPA’s history and mandate to provide better quality of life for the Palestinian community in Lebanon
- Develop two concept notes, one centered around the humanitarian needs and the second around the human rights and development needs of the Palestinian community in Lebanon.

2. Implementation:

Timeframe: The consultant will present a detailed implementation calendar.

Methodology: The prospective consultant should propose a detailed methodology that dictates the steps that will answer the research questions. The methodology will identify the types of data that will be collected (quantitative, qualitative, or mixed data), in addition to designing the appropriate strategy to collecting data, selecting respondents whom we will retrieve data from, and indicate how data should be analyzed. The consultant is also expected to set up the rationale that justifies the selected procedures and techniques and how these will fit with the overall research design and objectives.



3. Deliverables:

The expected deliverables in the undertaking of this baseline study will include, but are not limited to, the following:

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- Inception report, detailing design (methodology and analysis framework), approach, and work plan
- Annexes with the set of research instruments (data collection tools, implementation plan, participation request protocol, consent forms to be signed for community members interviewed, etc.)
- Develop a strong understanding of NPA's history in Lebanon and NPA's mandate
- Meet with community members/leaders to assess their experience, priorities and recommendations for future initiatives.
- Draft report with findings and analysis.
- Final report with edits based on inputs provided in draft review
- Draft operational strategy based on the findings of the report
- Draft two concept relevant notes