# REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

Agency for Rehabilitation & Energy Conservation in Afghanistan (AREA) an active partner of FSAC and is locally present in Afghanistan for 29 consecutive years with wide experience in Afghanistan. AREA is busy with delivery of food assistances to the vulnerable people, distribution of concentrated animal feed, summer crop improved seed distribution to the entitled beneficiaries, cash for work and cash for collapsed houses reconstruction.

AREA within its life implemented projects in deferent sectors for instance, in Health, Humanitarian Demining, Community Development, Emergency Relief, humanitarian assistances, Agriculture development, Third Party Monitoring, Capacity Building, Vocational trainings, Alternative Technology, distribution agriculture seed, fertilizer, animal feed, horticulture, construction of greenhouses, construction/rehabilitation of irrigations systems and nurseries establishment.

AREA is a non-governmental, non-political and not for profit organization, registered with the Ministry of Economy, having its registered office and principal place of services at House No. 123, Street No. 11 Qala-e-Fathullah Near to Post Office, District No. 10, and HQ office in Tymani Kohna, Street #08, House #8 Kabul- Afghanistan.

**Invitation for the RFQ**

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| **From:** **AGENCY FOR REHABILITATION AND ENERGY-CONSERVATION IN AFGHANISTAN (AREA)** | **Return Email:**  Email: [procurement@area-org.af](mailto:procurement@area-org.af) |
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**RFQ Number**: **AREA-2023-RFQ-009**

**Issuance Date: November, 23, 2023**

**Deadline for Receipt of Offer: December, 2, 2023**

**Title of the Project:** Provision of Lifesaving Food Assistance to IPC Phase 3 and 4 Food Insecure Vulnerable People in Rodat, Dehbala and Mohmand-Dara Districts of Nangarhar Province.

Description:

## As per AREA’s assessment report many foods insecure vulnerable households do not have enough income to fulfil their food consumption gap. Additionally, WFP monthly market monitoring data (21 August 2022) showed that, compared to last year, price of wheat increased by 44%, wheat flour by 54%, rice by 33%, cooking oil by 18%, pulses by 18% and sugar by 39%. The increase in prices was mainly due to the Afghani currency having lost of its value against the US dollar in less than one year. with the significant reduction in income and huge increase in food prices, access to food for many food insecure vulnerable households has been severely limited in Nangarhar . It is against this backdrop that AREA is requesting grant funding to meet the food needs of households affected by economic shock such as unemployment, income reduction and the political crisis, natural crisis (earthquake, drought & flood). It is proposed that this funding under AHF will allow AREA to scale up its support to meet the needs of the vulnerable population. To respond to critical food needs of food insecure people in Nangarhar, AREA aims to support IPC phase 3 and 4 vulnerable people in Nangarhar under the current project. Considering the high level of needs, the target location is proposed by the FSAC and its in line with the AHF allocation strategy. The project targets 18571 individuals (2653 households) including children, women, PWDs, elderly, women headed families. Under the current project, the targeted beneficiaries will be supported with unconditional unrestricted food assistance for 4 months, as per the FSAC guideline.

# Terms and conditions for the deadline:

Offers must be received no later than **4:30 PM on Saturday, December 2- 2023.** Please bring the filled RFQ to AREA procurement Department office along with a cover page, proposed methodology and budget and at least three previous references to the AREA Kabul Office **House # 8 , Street # 8 of Taimini Dist # 4 Kabul, Afghanistan.**

Please refer the RFQ number in any response to this RFQ.

Offers received after the specified time and date, will be treated late and will be considered only at the discretion of AREA.

# Questions and Clarification Regarding the RFQ:

Questions regarding the technical or administrative requirements of this RFQ may be submitted no later than **4:30 PM on Saturday, December 2- 2023 by hard copy to the Department of Procurement.**

Questions must be submitted in writing; phone calls will not be accepted. Questions and requests for clarification and the responses to that, AREA believes may be of interest to other offerors will be circulated to all RFQ recipients who have indicated an interest in bidding.

# Anticipated Award Type and Payments

An award resulting from this RFQ is anticipated to be a fix unit price purchase order. The anticipated specific terms and conditions are as follows:

As per AREA policy payment will be made by bank transfer to an account in the name of the vendor/individual with whom the purchase order is signed or the company’s Bank Account, after complete service delivery to AREA took place. Due to the current bank’s problems, the AREA will have cash payment to the vendor/ individual as an alternative to properly close the deal if required and deemed necessary.

# Government Withholding Tax for Afghan Based Companies

Government withholding Tax, Pursuant to Article 72 in the Afghanistan Tax Law effective March 21, 2009, AREA is required to withhold "contractor" taxes from the gross amounts payable to all Afghan for-profit subcontractors/vendors. In accordance with this requirement, AREA shall withhold two percent (2%) tax from all gross invoices to Afghan subcontractors/vendors under this Agreement with active AISA or Ministry of Commerce license.

For subcontractors/vendors without an active AISA or Ministry of Commerce license, AREA shall withhold seven percent (7%) "Contractor" taxes per current Afghanistan Tax Law.

Before signing the Agreement, the subcontractor/vendor will provide a copy of the organization’s AISA or Ministry of Commerce license and TIN (Tax Identification Number). Amounts deducted from the invoices will be forwarded to the Ministry of Finance (MoF) Tax Division credited to the firm's TIN. Records of payments to the MOF shall be maintained on file with AREA.

# Basis for Award

An award will be made on the basis of best value, considering the following factors:

* On Time Delivery
* Past experiences
* Cost Proposal
* Quality service/equipment

# General Instructions to Bidders:

* Offerors shall fill the total number of 58 CHW kits amount for the Below mentioned Kits.
* Quotation validity is **30 days** from the date of submission
* Late offers will be rejected except under extraordinary circumstances at AREA’s discretion.
* Offerors shall confirm in writing that the Offeror fully understands that their quotations must be valid for a period of **30 days** from the date of submission.
* Offerors shall complete Attachment A: Price Schedule and submit any other required attachments.
* Offerors shall sign, date, and stamp the Price Schedule, in a formal cover letter
* All prices shall be quoted in USD.
* The rates quoted shall be for complete service, inclusive of all taxes and all charges for service contingent to the work.
* AREA will not be responsible for any bank services charges.
* Payments will be made to the supplier by bank transfer or Cheque within 45 business days from receipt of invoices by AREA after the receipt of all services.
* AREA has the rights to decrease or increase the services mentioned in this RFQ, with TOR.
* Offeror must have the ability to meet the required time line and delivery location,

# Equipment Required:

The office of (**Agency for Rehabilitation and Energy-Conservation in Afghanistan (AREA)**) would like to invite suitably qualified and capable suppliers to provide the following food package for two months in Rodat,Mohmand Dara & Dehbala districts of Nangarhar with the following details:

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| AGENCY FOR REHABILITATION AND ENERGY-CONSERVATION IN AFGHANISTAN (AREA) | | | | | | |
| RFQ (Quotation Form) | | | | | | |
| S/N | **Items Description** | **Unit** | **QTY**  **One HHs** | **Unit Price** | **Total Price** | **Total HH** |
| 1 | Wheat Flour | Kg | 50 |  |  | 663.25 |
| 2 | Cooking Oil | Liter | 4 |  |  | 663.25 |
| 3 | Pulses | Kg | 4 |  |  | 663.25 |
| 4 | Salt | Kg | 0.5 |  |  | 663.25 |
| Total | | | | | **USD** |  |

# Submission of RFQ:

All the companies and individuals are encouraging to send their filled RFQ as mentioned in section 7 under **General Instructions to Bidders** to **Procurement Department of AREA HQ Office.**