

Request for Quotation
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Read Information and Resource Centre (READ Nepal) with support from Shanti Volunteer Association (SVA) Nepal invites ~~quots~~ quotes from qualified consultants with adequate experience to prepare story book from Sidhuwa Chhatar Jorpati CLRC, Dhankuta, Dharmadevi CLRC, Sankhuwashabha and Shanti CLRC, Letang Morang under the GSMP program supported by Shanti Volunteer Association (SVA) Nepal.

The detailed ToR of the Consultant is mentioned along with this notice. Eligible interested firms & individuals are requested to submit their sealed quotation with rate along with a cover letter. In the case of firm/company; a copy of registration, PAN/ VAT registration and latest Tax clearance certificate, company profile, and experience letters relevant to the works mentioned in ToR, and in the case of individuals; a CV with a personal profile and experience letters relevant to the works mentioned in ToR, PAN shall be submitted to Office of READ Nepal or info@readnepal.org before 5:00 pm, Jun 28 2024.

For further inquiries, please contact the office of READ Nepal during office hours (9:00 am to 5:00 pm).

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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR
UNDERTAKING *Grand Parents Story My Picture (GSMP) Program.*

Introduction

READ Nepal partners with communities throughout Nepal to build cohesive, inclusive, and resilient communities where everyone accesses and benefits from knowledge, resources, and opportunities necessary to shape their own dignified and fulfilling futures. To do this, READ facilitates the creation of self-sustaining and community-led library and resource centers (CLRCs) that serve as a foundational platform for unlocking a community's social and economic potential. READ's network of 72 CLRCs in Nepal provides an opportunity for 1.5 million people. Each CLRCs has revenue-generating projects, such as storefront rentals, which along with local partnerships, fund its ongoing operating costs.

Shanti Volunteer Association (SVA) is a Japanese international NGO working in the field of education development since 1981. SVA's mission is to achieve a peaceful (shanti) society where human dignity and diversity are respected and we aim to support the power of people to think, create, and solve problems. To this end, SVA has supported the construction of 442 schools, the establishment of 1,055 libraries, and the publication of 655 titles of picture books all over the world. Currently, SVA is working in Thailand, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Afghanistan, Nepal and Japan. In Nepal, SVA has been working in the field of education development such as the promotion of community libraries, local curriculum, and school meals as well as the publication of Kamishibai (Japanese Paper Theater).

Introduction of Project:

Enhancing a country's economy and development relies heavily on the skills and knowledge possessed by its population. In Nepal, prioritizing skill development is crucial due to the increasing number of young individuals who have received formal education but lack the practical skills required for the job market. According to the National Labour Force Survey 2017/18, 47% of Nepal's working-age population falls within the 15 to 34-year age group. However, the unemployment rates for individuals aged 15 to 24 and 25 to 34 stand at 21.4% and 12.7% respectively. Also, the unemployment rate of women is higher than men and there is an underlying need for women to start side businesses to help household income. It is important to note that the existence of skill and knowledge institutions in Nepal does not imply a lack of appropriate resources to educate the younger population. However, many young individuals do not typically choose to attend these technical schools, and those

who do often struggle to meet market demand. In order to address this challenge, SVA and READ Nepal have developed a project called "Community-based vocational and technical skill development through community library and resource center" (CLRC).

This initiative aims to promote technical vocational education and training (TVET) and is being implemented in Dhankuta, Sankhuwasabha, and Morang over the three-year period (Mar 2023-Mar 2026). From the second year (Mar 2024 onwards), the GSMP program is launched at Sindhuwa Ward No. 6 in the Chathar Jorpati Rural Municipality of Dhankuta, with the, titled ' Grandparents' Stories, My Pictures (GSMP)', which facilitates the creation of storybooks and illustrations to depict local folklore and traditions through Community Learning Resource Centers (CLRCs). This initiative involves children and a group of community elders, aiming to preserve and share endangered local culture, promote children's literacy, foster creativity, and involve the elderly in cultural activities. Elders convey oral traditions to the children, who will then be encouraged to incorporate their unique interpretations into storybooks and illustrations.

Objective of the Program:

1. To explore and preserve the culture of the community
2. To inform the community & the adult generation about their older culture, history, and tradition
3. To involve children to identify their culture and help them to understand their local culture.
4. To develop children's capacity in creative story writing & illustration
5. Promote reading and writing culture among children
6. To renew relationships across generations in the community
7. To increase community engagement and involvement in the library

Scope of work:

- Coordinate with READ Nepal and LMC three CLRCs for GSMP proceedings.
- Identification of children and grandparents in co-ordination with CLRC
- Short briefing about the project to children and Grandparents.
- FGD with community elders, project orientation & identification of stories.
- Short orientation about storytelling to grandparents.
- Orientation on story writing to the children.
- Conduct expressive Art and illustration sessions for the children
- Conduct storytelling, story writing & illustration sessions as required at the library.
- Editing of the draft storybook and illustration by children
- Open discussion with elders on the draft storybook

- Finalize the storybook and submit the soft copy and hardcopy to READ Nepal(English and Nepali)
- Submit the final product of Sidhuwa Chhatra Jorpati CLRC by August 10 whereas READ will inform the submission deadline for the final product of Shanti CLRC and Dharmadevi CLRC by end of July.
- Design the storybook in Nepali and English and submit print-ready files (including design files) to READ Nepal.
- Submit the final project report

Program Location: Siduwa Chhathar Municipality, Dhankuta, Letang Municipality Morang, and Dharmadevi Municipality, Shankhuwasabha.

Key deliverables

- Based on the scope of work discuss and share the process, and methodology of activities before conducting the event in the community.
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Duration of the Assignments

The assignment is scheduled to take place from July 1 to September 15, 2024.