

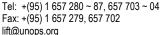
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Questions arising from LIFT's Call for Proposals: Ensure that humanitarian and development needs of all people in Rakhine are addressed in a coordinated way.

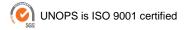
The deadline for written questions was 5 January, 2018. Answers have been compiled on 8 January, 2018.

1	Q1: Your recent CfP - "Ensure that humanitarian and development needs of all people in Rakhine are addressed in a coordinated way" - states that 'LIFT will accept proposals that address two intervention areas: access to safe livelihoods and nutrition.' Does this mean you will accept proposals for either area (not both)? A1: Applicants can apply for one or both intervention areas.
2	Q2: Within each area, will you accept proposals for individual sub-areas but not others? E.g. would you accept a proposal that deals with agriculture and anti-trafficking, but not the other sub-areas of 'Access to safe livelihoods', such as financial inclusion?
	A2: Yes, applicants can apply for individual sub-areas.
3	Q3: We plan to come to Burma soon to research possibilities. So we can better target our application, may we visit your staff there and ask questions?
	A3: Unfortunately, this is not possible when the call for proposal is still open. Please also note that shortlisted applicants for this call for proposal will demonstrate extensive experience working in Rakhine on the outlined intervention areas.
4	Q4: Could you please clarify whether there is a suggested range and/or maximum dollar amount for proposal submissions in response to the Rakhine CfP?
	A4: There is not suggested range and/or maximum dollar amount for proposals submitted for

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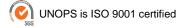




	this call for proposal.
5	Q5: The guidelines mention that LIFT is seeking applications that "ensure that humanitarian and development needs of all people in Rakhine are addressed in a coordinated way": is LIFT expecting for each proposal to cover both humanitarian and development needs? With both communities?
	A5: LIFT is expecting applicants to address the intervention areas stated on page 5-6 in the CfP. Applicants can select specific intervention areas and do not need to cover all proposed sectors. The CfP specifies which target beneficiaries should be address with the interventions.
6	Q6: In reference to the above (Q5), is LIFT expecting that proposals target areas where both type of needs (humanitarian/development) are observed? With both communities?
	A6: See reply above to Q5.
7	Q7: Is LIFT expecting to receive applications that cover the 2 mentioned intervention areas
	(livelihoods and nutrition) and all their sub-components (agriculture, financial inclusion e.g.)? or can proposals focus only on one intervention areas and/or not all of the subcomponents?
	A7: See reply above to Q5 & 6. There is no obligation to cover all the intervention areas and subcomponents.
8	Q8: How specific should the proposal be when referring to targeted locations considering the potential needs for baseline for some of the proposed project components?
	A8: As specific as possible. The selection process will be based on what is proposed by the applicant. The more details, the better.
9	Q9: Urban areas: would urban areas (in Sittwe town, or Township centres e.g. be eligible to the planned support under this funding?
	A9: Urban areas are not excluded per se, but would require a strong rational to be considered.
10	Q10: What humanitarian needs are specifically considered to be addressed by the proposals? For example, needs in drinking water are mentioned while there is no mention of sanitation, or food.
	A10: Please refer to the intervention areas, page 5-6.

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- 11 Q11: Nutrition: to what extent are the proposed actions expected to support planned/expected Government initiatives? In particular, how are the proposals expected to complement Government plans for MCCT? for the roll-out of IYCF guidelines? for the roll-out of the IMAM guidelines? **A11**: Applicants need to make a case if the aim is to link interventions to government initiatives. It is advisable to consider differing timelines of government initiatives and implementation requirements for LIFT funding.
- 12 Q12: Financial inclusion: are the guidelines referring to formal financial service providers or would informal services (through village level systems e.g.) also be considered?
 - **A12:** Preference is given to formal financial services.

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