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Call for Expressions of Interest: Consultancy for Developing AIPP's Child and Youth Policy

A. About Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact (AIPP)

AIPP was founded in 1988 and established its Office in Thailand with the conduct of its first General Assembly in 1992. At present, AIPP is described as an organisation of Indigenous Peoples' movements in Asia with 47 member organisations from 14 countries. It is primarily set up to build solidarity on common issues and concerns as well as to create shared vision of Indigenous Peoples in the region. The steady growth of AIPP over the years reflects not only the growing recognition of AIPP as an organization addressing Indigenous Peoples' needs and aspirations, but the growing self-identification of marginalized groups in Asia as Indigenous Peoples, which they see as a way to overcome discrimination and counter the violation of their individual and collective human rights and to realize their right to self-determination.

In addition, AIPP also coordinates and directly supports the following networks from several countries of Asia region:

1. Indigenous Peoples Human Rights Defenders (IPHRD)
2. Network of Indigenous Women in Asia (NIWA)
3. Asia Indigenous Youth Platform (AIYP)
4. Indigenous Voices of Asia Network (IVAN)
5. Indigenous Knowledge and Peoples of Asia (IKPA)

B. Background

Indigenous Peoples have their unique child and youth development practices deeply rooted in their cultures, worldview, way of life, and spiritual system. AIPP recognizes the significance of preserving these practices while ensuring the rights and welfare of children and youth. By promoting culturally sensitive child and youth policies, AIPP aims to strike a balance between safeguarding indigenous values and principles and ensuring children's rights and well-being. Through Asia Indigenous Youth Platform (AIYP) and one Indigenous youth representation in AIPP Executive Council structure, AIPP prioritizes empowerment of Indigenous youths and mainstreaming youths and children issue across our strategy, programmes, and plans. However, the maintain consistency of giving importance to youth and child as well as ensuring this importance in the different processes and levels need clearly policy guidelines and agenda. The proposed "Child



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and Youth Policy” is to ensure mainstreaming and inclusion of Indigenous child and youth agenda, and focus of inter-generational engagement in AIPP and its members priorities.

Articles 21 and 22 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) emphasized on the rights of Indigenous child and youth, and the proposed policy is also to implement this normative framework into practice. These articles address the rights of indigenous children and youth and emphasize the need for special protection and opportunities for them. As a regional platform of the Indigenous People in Asia, AIPP intends to incorporate these principles within its sphere, members, partners, and network, to ensuring recognition of the rights of indigenous children and youth.

The overall objective of this proposal is to develop a **Child and Youth Policy for AIPP** that will guide AIPP, AIYP, partners, and member organizations.

The specific objectives:

1. To explain and incorporate the issues and challenges of the indigenous youths and children in Asia and beyond.
2. To articulate and incorporate the indigenous leadership values, principles, and practices in the policy.
3. To provide a grounding for a normative policies framework by reviewing the existing child and youth policies, laws, and practices at both national and international level.
4. To provide a clear guidance within the policy framework on how to uphold the rights of indigenous youth and children by incorporating their needs into all aspects of program planning and strategic initiatives, in alignment with indigenous values and practices.

C. Consultant Qualifications

The following qualification and expertise of the consultants are expected to be eligible for this assignment:

- Knowledge and familiarity on Indigenous Peoples’ issues and movement in Asia.
- Consultant should have a master's degree in any discipline/field from any reputed university.
- Consultant should have a working experience on the development of Child and Youth Policy and sound knowledge on international policy framework with a specific focus on key instruments Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), UNESCO, and Save the Children.
- The consultant must have clear understanding on the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) and the International Labour Organization (ILO) Convention 169.
- Good knowledge of local context (culture, politics, and geography); familiarity with the situations in Asia will be an added asset.
- Well-versed in English both written and spoken, preferably with excellent writing skills.

D. Timeframe



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The total duration of the contract for the development of AIPP’s **Child and Youth Policy** is 25 working days spread over July to October 2024.

The consultant will be notified by 25 June 2024 and later, A brief meeting will be scheduled with the consultant to reach the consensus of deliverables.

The consultants are expected to execute the lists of tasks and deliverables provided as follows:

No.	Consultancy Areas	Description of Consultancy Areas	No. of Day
1	Desk Reviews	<p>Reviewing the secondary sources, particularly existing child and youth related policies, laws, practices and initiatives both at national and international level with a specific focus on key instruments. Such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), UNESCO, Children safeguard policies and practices of different international organizations including Save the Children, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) and the International Labor Organization (ILO) Convention 169, AIPP’s leadership document and Indigenous self-governance course module. 	7
2	Key Informant Interviews (KII)	<p>KII and consultation meetings with multi-level stakeholders, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous youths from AIYP and national indigenous youth networks. Individuals from AIPP member and partner organizations. AIPP secretariate staff members including Programme Coordinator(s) and Management Team. 	7
3	Drafting Policy	A draft version of “Child and Youth Policy’ based on the information from, desk study, KII and consultation meetings.	5
4	Sharing draft policy	Sharing workshop with AIPP Secretariate and EC members for feedback and inputs on the draft policy.	1
5	Policy Finalization	Finalizing the Child and Youth Policy by incorporating the inputs and feedback from the consultation meeting	4
Total Number of Consultancy Day			25

E. Application process



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The interested eligible and qualified consultants are invited to submit their application in English with complete technical and financial proposals by mentioning the title “**Child and Youth Policy for AIPP**” to hr-aipp@aippnet.org cc’ing to charu@aippnet.org by 20 June, 2024 latest 23:59 PM BKK (Bangkok time). Please note that the joint application will also be accepted for this assignment.

The interested Consultant(s) are requested to submit technical and financial proposals alongside the application by following underneath information:

i) Points should be included in the technical proposal:

- Understanding the objectives mentioned in the call for proposal.
- Methodology /approach with a clear timeline for the development of Child and youth policy.
- Working experience related to the development of Child and youth policy.
- CV(s) of the Consultant(s).

ii) Points should be included in the financial proposal:

- Detailed cost break-down of the assignment (Per day consultancy fee)
- Tax element, if applicable.

Only qualified candidates will be shortlisted and notified for this assignment.