



Terms of Reference MACCS-PLEASE Project

“Improving the wellbeing of H. Dh. Kulhudhuffushi people and the ocean through plastic pollution prevention”

Legal Consultant for Waste Regulations Review and Drafting of By-Laws

1. BACKGROUND

Maldives Authentic Crafts Cooperative Society (MACCS) has received funding from the World Bank, through the Plastic Free Rivers and Seas for South Asia (PLEASE) Project, to tackle plastic pollution in Kulhudhufushi, Maldives. MACCS is a cooperative of women who strive to revive and promote local artisanal handicrafts and crafting communities in the Maldives. The PLEASE Project, established through a collaboration between the World Bank, Parley, and the South Asia Cooperative Environment Programme (SACEP), and supported by UNOPS, represents an initiative to combat plastic pollution in the rivers and seas of South Asia. The core objective of PLEASE is to enhance innovation and coordination of circular economy solutions, effectively minimizing plastic pollution in the South Asian Seas.

This project, by the Maldives Authentic Crafts Cooperative Society centres on "Improving the wellbeing of H. Dh. Kulhudhuffushi people and the ocean through plastic pollution prevention." The project aims to contribute to reducing plastic pollution in one city, which can serve as a model for other islands. Kulhudhuffushi City with a population of 10,000 residents is struggling with waste management and plastic waste. The project aims to reduce plastic waste generation through plastic waste avoidance interventions and improved plastic waste management practices by interception at source and diverting to managed pre-processing facilities. The project will build the capacity through investments in plastic waste management infrastructure, and strengthening monitoring and enforcement of waste management regulations. In addition, awareness raising, building skills and providing alternatives to change behavior will build capacity within the island community.

The outputs of the consultancy will contribute to the following project activities:

- 4.1. Develop a plastic reduction plan for Kulhudhuffushi, following the AIR strategy of Parley, with extensive stakeholder engagement with full engagement of KCC.
- 4.2. Develop a Compliance monitoring and enforcement system for regulations on plastic
- 4.2.1. Develop tools: - By laws on plastic reduction, anti-littering and sorting based on national laws and regulations.-guideline for compliance monitoring and enforcement.

2. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The consultant will carry out the following activities

1. Review national laws and regulation related to waste management identify those relevant for enforcement at local level. Namely but not limited to:
 - a. Waste management Act
 - b. EPA
 - c. URA
 - d. Environment ACT
 - e. Decentralization ACT

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2. Working with local council identify needs for bylaws on waste management. Draft by laws with monitoring and enforcement measures on:
 - a. Waste segregation at source
 - b. Develop local regulations to enforce use of waste disposal facilities
 - c. Plastic reduction
3. Carry out a familiarization session for the City Council, WAMCO, WDC and Police on the draft regulations

The consultant will be facilitated by MACCS and its partners in administrative, coordination, and operational matters to enable the completion of deliverables.

3. DELIVERABLES/OUTPUTS

1. Review report on relevant laws and regulations
2. Bylaws with monitoring and enforcement measures drafted, adopted and gazette

4. LEVEL OF EFFORT

The expected duration of the assignment or level of effort (LOE) by the consultant will be 35 days .

Commencement of work is expected in early February 2024, with the contract set to expire six months from the signing date. All deliverables for this consultancy should be accomplished within this contractual period.

5. WORKING ARRANGEMENT

The Consultant will work remotely on a need basis and closely with the MACCS team based in 'Male' and Kulhudhufushi. The Consultant is expected to travel domestically to the project site during the term of the contractual period.

Travel expenses, if applicable, will be covered by MACCS, subject to funding availability and determined by the needs outlined in this ToR or on the contract agreement.

6. REPORTING

The consultant will report to the Environment and Waste Management Consultant assigned by MACCS on all project related matters .

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7. REMUNERATION

Consultancy fees, as agreed between MACCS and the consultant, will be paid within 10 days of receipt by MACCS of the timesheet approved by the reporting person. Upon approval of the timesheet, a valid invoice must be submitted

8. QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

The local consultant must meet the following qualifications and requirements:

- The consultant should possess a degree in law or a related field.
- Strong experience in reviewing and drafting legal documents, specifically in waste management and environmental regulations.
- Familiarity with national laws related to waste management, including but not limited to the Waste Management Act, EPA, URA, Environment Act, and Decentralization Act.
- Demonstrated experience in drafting and implementing bylaws, with a focus on waste management, waste segregation, and plastic reduction.
- Effective communication skills and the ability to conduct familiarization sessions for various stakeholders.
- Previous experience working on similar projects or tasks, particularly in waste management or environmental initiatives
- Fluency in English and Dhivehi (written and spoken) is mandatory.

9. APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

Interested parties are requested to submit the following documentation responding to the Terms of Reference (ToR):

- CV/ Portfolio / Profile with previous work
- Recommendation / reference letter(s)
- Copy of the National ID Card
- Registration Certificates – including GST registration (for companies/firms)
- Quotation in MVR (must include a quotation number, date, and contact details with the pricing for the deliverables separately, if it is a company/ firm- GST and other applicable taxes should be included)

You may email your application documents to:

Project Manager
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Deadline for submission:

Any/ all inquiries regarding this consultancy should be directed via email to info@maccs.com.mv

All complete applications should be **submitted via email on or before 1600 hrs, of 5th February 2024.**

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