

Terms of Reference for Air Quality Expert under Building City Leadership on Clean Air Action in Delhi National Capital Region (NCR)

Title	Technical support for ICLEI SA's on-going project- Building City Leadership on Clean Air Action in Delhi National Capital Region (NCR)
Location	Delhi NCR
Time duration	50 days spread over 1.5 years beginning from Jan 2022
Project Cities	Specific support to the project cities of Gurugram, Meerut, East Delhi Municipal Corporation and South Delhi Municipal Corporation
Project Background	<p>The project aims at supporting 4 Municipal Corporations in Delhi NCR to achieve NCAP targets of reduction in PM concentration by strengthening the implementation process at ground level.</p> <p>Owing to the increased pollution levels in India, the Government launched the National Clean Air Program as a long-term strategy to tackle the air pollution problem across the country. Under this program, major responsibility for clean air action implementation lies with the local governing bodies. The progress, however, has been slow which can be attributed to multiplicity of organisations responsible to implement on-ground actions; limited coordination among various agencies involved in air quality improvement, lack of awareness and limited capacity within the municipal corporations, ultimately resulting in further deterioration of air quality. There is, therefore, a need to strengthen the local governments to move faster towards achieving the clean air targets.</p> <p>Through this project, ICLEI SA with support from Clean Air Fund aims to support 4 Municipal corporations of the cities within Delhi NCR to take ownership of their actions related to air quality improvement by creating awareness and facilitating coordination within various implementing agencies to develop replicable, tried, and tested approaches through pilot interventions.</p> <p>The primary objective to involve the air quality expert is to assist the project team in developing an action plan for project cities, guiding the project team throughout the project.</p>
Scope of work for Air Quality Expert	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help develop city action plans for air quality improvements • Guide the city team on case studies, good practices on air quality in India & abroad. • Attend city level & state level meetings and support during capacity building trainings/ activities of city staff and interact with various stakeholders working on air quality issues in Delhi NCR, ex- Government bodies, NGOs, research/ educational institutions etc. • Visit the project cities and conduct meetings with project stakeholders specially officials from Municipal Corporations. • Recommending effective strategies to project cities based on

	<p>air quality analysis studies conducted by the project team.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide suitable suggestions to the project documents/ reports developed by the city team. • Review documentation to assess successful achievement of project objectives and expected results
Qualification & experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master's degree in Environment Sciences/ Environment Engineering or equivalent • 15 years plus of experience on air quality projects/ research, air pollution assessment etc. • Experience of implementing pilot projects aiming at reducing pollution • Experience of working in NCR region would be an additional advantage
Proposal Submission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Terms of Reference (ToR) can be downloaded from the ICLEI South Asia website (ICLEI South Asia – Local Governments For Sustainability). • The financial & technical proposals should be submitted as separate documents. • The Proposal with a detailed approach for carrying out the above activities and the detailed CV of the expert should be submitted with title “Application for Air Quality Expert under Building City Leadership on Clean Air Action in Delhi National Capital Region” • The Proposal can be submitted by applicant through email to ashish.rao-ghorpade@iclei.org with cc to avantika.arjuna@iclei.org on or before 6th December 2021
Terms & Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In case of any doubt/query regarding any portions of ToR, the applicant should send it by mail to contact person mentioned in ToR. • ICLEI South Asia reserves the right to reject any Proposal, and to terminate the selection process and reject all proposals at any time, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected applicant or any obligation to inform the affected applicants of the grounds for such decision. The decision of ICLEI South Asia will be final. • The proposals received will be scrutinized & evaluated by ICLEI South Asia in consultation with representatives from Clean Air Fund. The decision shall be informed to the winning applicant. • Detailed Work Order will be issued to winning applicant within 7 days of announcing the results. • The selected applicant is to forward the signed and sealed work order to ICLEI at the earliest or not more than 7 (seven) days of issue of work order. • ICLEI – South Asia will retain a full-time project staff in all the projects cities and will help facilitate meetings and interactions.