### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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**Political Economy Analysis Study – Consultant**  
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**How to apply**

Submit application together with (1) cover letter explaining why you would be a good fit for this role, (2) CV detailing relevant experience and qualifications, (3) Propose budget estimate amount (4) recent photos and contact details for two relevant references to procurement@nagmyanmar.org, recruitment@nagmyanmar.org or address – “Recruitment Unit, Network Activities Group (NAG) No.51, Shukhinthar Street, Rose Garden, Ward-27, North Dagon Township, Yangon, Myanmar. Phone: 09 450694361~5.”

**Note**

Only short-listed candidates will be invited for interview. Telephone inquiries will not be responded. We are not obliged to return all received application. (Please do not send original documents as they will not be returned)

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1. **Background of the Project**

The Improving Inland and Marine Fishery Governance (IIMFG) (Jan 2020 – Dec 2023) Project is funded by LIFT. It aims to improve Fisheries Governance, Policy Research & Education in Rakhine State & Ayeyarwaddy, Yangon, and Thanintharyi Regions. It is the extended program of the 1st Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA-1) between LIFT and NAG, which ran from 1st April 2017 to 31st December 2019, focused on improving co-management of Ayeyarwaddy’s Wetland Resources.

There are two goals of the project: goal 1 is: Capable, sustainable and influential national CSOs working at scale on all facets of small-scale fisher livelihoods and decent work in Myanmar’s fishery sector; goal 2 is an informed LIFT Board and management engaging proactively with civil society for strengthened resilience and sustainable livelihoods in fisher and riparian communities.

The second LIFT/NAG strategic partnership will be implemented with six objectives:

- Improved Community Fisheries Co-management
- SSF Livelihood, Value chains and SMEs
- Effective Fisheries Partnerships and Networks
- Improved Legal Frameworks
- Improved Collaboration with DoF
2. Purpose of Consultancy

PEA consultant is responsible for overall analysis of the changes of stakeholder intervention and institutional reform mechanisms in fisheries governance within the project areas of IIMFG.

General Objective of the PEA Study:
This study provides an overview of what these changes might have meant for ongoing fisheries governance reforms in Ayeyarwaddy region and contribute to the regular analysis of navigating effective pathway for reform and mitigating the risks of potential pitfalls. The PEA is an action oriented tool that will be interactively used with the project team and agencies to provide in-depth practical analysis in order to learn and adapt the nature of intervention as a strategically guide for reform process.

3. Methodology

Both qualitative and quantitative methods will be applied as following:

- KI (Stakeholders)
- FGD
  a. Private Sector
  b. CSOs/NGOs
  c. Individual interview

4. Scope of Work

Under the above-mentioned study, the consultant will engage in the following activities:

- Participation in a series of meetings organized by the NAG Team and Project Team for this study
- Identifying target townships and villages in Ayeyarwaddy Region in order to cover both within and out of the project areas
- Develop the research methodology and design together with NAG Research Team
- Develop a Final Field Guide together with Data Collection Formats
  - Clarifying who can provide the more efficient information and trying to meet those persons
- Lead in work planning, data collection, data cleaning, analysis and reporting

5. Outputs

The study expects to produce the following outcomes:

- An improved understanding of the impact that policies are having on communities and recommendations for further legal/policy reform to consolidate the gains achieved.
- An improved understanding of how stakeholder relationships have changed, (including the ways that individuals and small influential groups are able to subvert the pro-poor policies process to their own advantage), and suggestions on how the bylaws and working practices can be strengthened to prevent elite capture.
- An understanding of the impact that the selective allocation for communities’ policy is having on regional revenue collection and suggestions on how this can be improved.
- An understanding on whether the new law and policies are alleviating or accelerating natural resource degradation
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- The role of the government institutions in natural resource governance and how this might be made more efficient in future.

6. Deliverables
The following are the expected deliverables:

- Field Guide
- Research Methodology Training
- Data collection Pre-test
- Data collection, analysis and report

7. Requirements
This contract is open to International and National consultant with the following requirements:

- Extensive local knowledge and work experience in Myanmar
- Proven expertise in carrying out similar policies and natural resources governance studies in Myanmar or the region.
- Excellent oral and written skills in English (knowledge of Burmese would be an advantage).
- Experience in quantitative and qualitative data collection methods and analysis.
- Strong network and existing contacts amongst local CSOs and Stakeholders in the Region

8. Expected Timeframe
The assignment is expected to deliver during 20th June to 31st July 2021.

9. Background of Network Activities Group
Network Activities Group (NAG) is a national registered non-profit organization in Myanmar. In fostering our vision “Emergence of a peaceful, prosperous and dignified society that values equity and diversity”, NAG focuses on the Governance Approach, intending to necessary changes of various stakeholders and existing practices towards good governance which is essential and core for the sustainable development and win-win solutions for all stakeholders. Accordingly, NAG has engaged stakeholders of all levels and different areas including local, regional and national government departments, trying to promote interaction, good relations, and eventually coordination and collaboration among them. Given that nature of facilitating and coordinating activities, and creating networks of development efforts with partners, and promoting governance among relevant stakeholders, NAG implements livelihood, natural resources management and rural development programs and projects in Central Dry Zone, Coastal and Delta, Hilly Region and South Eastern Part of Myanmar.