



REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH UGANDA

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Terms of Reference (TOR) for assessment of TV programs aired on the rationale for Sexuality Education in Uganda.

a) Background to RHU

Reproductive Health Uganda (RHU) has contributed significantly towards sexual and reproductive health and rights in Uganda. RHU is an indigenous not-for-profit, volunteer-based grass root level organization that is affiliated to the International Planned Parenthood Federation. The organization is aligned to, and tries to respond to national priorities and the international development agenda articulated in the overarching National Development Plan and the sustainable Development Goals. It specifically tries to address the burden of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights. To ensure its relevance and sustainability, it proactively responds to changes in the policy landscape for sexual and reproductive Health especially relating to the fulfillment of key Human rights enshrined into core health related commitments of government including but not limited to increased and consistent access to information and services, funding for the SRHR information and service chain among others.

RHU promotes strategic partnerships and the integration of information and services. RHU strives to be a leading local and National level actor in championing advocacy initiatives for

the delivery of SRHR information and Services for all with a major focus on Young people (15-30years).

RHU is part of civil Society actors working towards an improved environment for the provision of SRHR information to Young people in and out of school.

b) Brief background on Sexuality Education in Uganda

Sexuality Education in Uganda still faces a challenge of being fully accepted due to divergent views from various actors such religious leaders, government officials and general SRH oppositions in Uganda.

On the 17th of August 2016, the parliament of Republic of Uganda passed a resolution suspending Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) in schools. The resolution demanded that unless there is a policy the MoES should halt activities as well as dissemination of CSE materials in schools until the policy is in place and CDC (Curriculum Development Center) in consultation with stakeholders 'develops a culturally sensitive CSE program/ strategy for Uganda. On 28th October 2016, Ministry of Gender, Labor and Social Development issued a ministerial statement banning CSE in Uganda. In this statement CSE was portrayed as an avenue through which indecent behavior and practices inconsistent with national ethical values were being promoted.

c) The Role of RHU and other Civil Society Organisations (CSOs);

RHU being a key promoter and protector of Sexual and Reproductive Rights including the right to information for all people in Uganda, we have worked with other CSOs, UN bodies to make a contribution to the Ministry of Education and Sports to give life to the National Sexuality Education Framework.

As part of raising the flag for SE, RHU has worked with the vision group; Bukedde TV1, Urban TV and TV West to seek public opinion on the need for Sexuality Education in

Uganda, through directly reaching the Ugandan Population in the Central, Eastern and Western parts of Uganda to express their thoughts on the different components of SE.

Feedback has been sought from Young people, community leaders, parents and other groups of people on their perception towards the different issues discussed in SE including; Menstruation, puberty, adolescent growth and development, family planning, Sexually transmitted Infections including HIV, abortion and post abortion care, drugs and substance abuse, and relationships among others. This was done through daily live shows of 10 minutes on urban in English, 30 minutes pre recorded shows once a week in Luganda on Bukedde and 1hour every once a week for 10 weeks for Runyakitara. TV presenters visited communities or invited their guests to their studios randomly or purposively.

d) The assignment

RHU is therefore seeking for the service of an experienced individual with a programmes and communications background who understands the three languages and shall be able to watch the clips and consolidate public views and opinions of; young people, parents, health workers and others to form a single report reflecting the public opinions towards the implementation of Sexuality Education in Uganda.

Videos will be shared on an external hard drive for the consultant to review as they identify all the key issues from the clips shared. Public views, information gaps and needs, contentious issues, key policy actions for compiling the first draft report for review by RHU project and communications teams.

e). Outputs of the assignment

A final report highlighting;

- Key advocacy issues and messages for further follow up
- Key policy actions for the further consideration.

- Information needs/gaps for the public
- Contentious issues that need to be noted by material developers and reviewers
- Appropriate forums to disseminate key SE messages to the public outside schools.
- Key recommendations of the population for inclusion in materials, approach towards SE, and other key information as may be noted.

f) Qualifications of Consultant

The consultant needs to possess the following qualifications and skills:

- ✓ Broad understanding of SRHR programming and communications background.
- ✓ Ability to translate video clips into narrative report.
- ✓ Strong analytical skills demonstrated through research and analysis.
- ✓ In-depth understanding of and experience in advocacy and the sensitive issues of Sexuality Education (SE)
- ✓ Experience in policy analysis and Advocacy on SRHR issues especially SE.
- ✓ Understanding of and work experience in meaningful youth participation
- ✓ Strong writing and transcribing skills with ability to present findings in a style that is accessible to readers

g) Duration of the review exercise and Consideration for services rendered to RHU

The review of the videos and capturing key different SRHR needs is targeted to last for 20 working days.

RHU will pay a consolidated fee for the said assignment upon delivery at a rate agreed between RHU and the consultant.

h) Timing of the assignment

The assignment is expected to commence on 1st November 2018 with a meeting with RHU project staff and end not later than 30th November, 2018.

i) Application process

Interested persons should submit full CV detailing their abilities and referenced similar actions, at least 2 referees, and full cost estimate to James Tumusiime, Gender and Youth Coordinator Email: jtumusiime@rhu.or.ug and copy to rhu@rhu.or.ug; by close of business on Wednesday 24th October, 2018.