

Mainstreaming Young Persons with Disabilities

Response to Queries

1. What geographical area will these work focus?

The scope of the research is national and an appropriate sampling technique should be adopted to ensure national representation.

2. Is there a target age group?

The focus of the research is on 'young' persons with disabilities. Given the context and priority areas of this research, the target age group should be determined and justified by the appointed supplier. Literature must be consulted to assess if age is an important variable.

3. Does this include all disabilities e.g Learning disabilities, mental health, physical disabilities?

Yes, the researcher should identify the range and types of disabilities that will be catered to in the research. This should be justified on basis of literature and the research scope.

4. Is the focus on young people with disabilities obtaining education through the Directorate General of Special Education? Is this all over the country?

The focus of the research will be the overall country (private and public/government), not just the Directorate General of Special Education.

5. Would the research extend to young people with disabilities not in education?

Yes, this will require a clear definition of 'education' from the successful supplier. The importance of education as a variable should be assessed with regard to employability skills for Young Persons with Disabilities (YPWDs).

It might be the case in Pakistan that YPWDs are directly enrolled in vocational training institutions without prior education.

6. Collecting data from young people with disabilities would imply having a whole research structure to reach them. This would include the need for specialist staff e.g. sign language interpreters, learning disabilities etc. and ways of translating back into English - Is this something that the British Council would support to facilitate or sole responsibility of the contractor?

We expect this to be a sole responsibility of the contractor/ supplier. However, British Council will provide support as needed.

7. Is there any specific time frame/duration for the project?

We expect the project to be completed within the duration of six months.

8. Is it possible if the research team is constituted of One International Development organization (INGO), One local organization (DPO) and an individual consultant?

Yes. Contractual obligations and protocols will be discussed with the successful supplier only.

9. Are there any specific stakeholders or we can identify ourselves?

Stakeholder engagement and analysis is the sole responsibility of the supplier. British Council will only assist as needed.

10. What is the deadline for submission?

5 PM GMT on Sunday, 20th November 2016.