

**Expression of Interest from Research Agency to Conduct Assessment Of Impact Of Mobile Creches'
Intervention on Children in Vulnerable Setting Directly And Through Partnership with Other NGOs And
Government Under Its Scaling Up Project**

Mobile Creches is working for Early Child Care and development since 1969. Mobile Creches, is a rights based organization and works to promote early child care as every child's right. Mobile Creches has three pronged approach for the same- by direct delivery of day care for children in vulnerable settings, capacity building of government functionaries and other partners, and policy advocacy. Currently, Mobile Creches is in the process of scaling up the implementation of its Day Care centers through its partners in construction sector as well as in multiple vulnerable settings. In this context MC has planned a research study.

Scope of work

Scope of work for Research would be to generate evidence about scalability of MC model through partnerships with other NGOs and Government with respect to impact broadly on following indicators.

- a. Quality of crèches led by partners through monitoring and quality assurance tools
- b. Limited evaluation of quality standards at government and indirectly-run crèches
- c. Evaluation of development, health and nutritional status, and cognitive, social and emotional development to validate results found in earlier research with sample size of 600 - 800 children who stayed under our intervention for 4 to 6 months with evaluations being conducted on standardized tools in Delhi NCR and 4-5 other cities.
- d. Impact of interventions on strengthening of family level changes for better childcare knowledge, attitude and practices and community level understanding about the critical needs of young children disaggregated by gender
- e. Role of gender in sharing early child care responsibility in household

- f. Impact of our capacity building interventions on NGOs ability to scale up and become ECCD resource and advocate
- g. The research and reports shall be in alignment with the Result Based Framework Matrix (RMAF) - developed under the project.

Criteria for Empanelment

A. Essential Criteria (for Private Sector Research Agencies/Organizations only):

- Should have minimum five years of experience in conducting research studies/ surveys/ evaluations in social sector preferably Early Child Care and Development programs / programmes and schemes for Governments and /or multilateral or bilateral aid agencies.

B. Selection Criteria:

- Should have trained and adequate field manpower
- Should have qualified professionals for analysis of quantitative and qualitative data, report writing, working on standard statistical computer packages like SPSS/STATA/SAS.
- Should have demonstrated experience of working with qualitative as well as quantitative analysis packages.
- Preference would be given to agency with sound understanding of issues related to migrant labour population and population at other vulnerable settings like brick kiln and tea plantations.

C. Process of Application Submission

Interested Private Sector Research agencies/organizations, Universities, Govt. Research

Institutes should send their application with the following details:

- Name of the organization
- Brief profile of the organization
- Contact details of the organization (including address, phone no., fax. no and email)
- Name and designation of Chief Functionary
- Year of inception of the organization (Research Agency Registration Certificate)
- Copy of PAN card to be attached.
- Number of full time and part time staff members of various categories
- CVs of full time of key staff (specify full time / part time).
- Details of assignments conducted to demonstrate that the agency fulfills the criteria of selection listed above.
- Agencies may also attach copies of work-outputs in support of their credentials.

D. Evaluation of Applications

The applications for empanelment would be evaluated on the following criteria and agencies securing minimum 60 marks would only be considered for empanelment.

Criteria for Selection of Research Agency

Criteria	Max. Marks
Experience of the agency	
Research studies/ surveys/ evaluations conducted in social sector	20
Experience in ECCD	15
Experience of working with governments and multiple partners/ and large scale projects	15
Total	50
Profile of the Agency	
Staff Adequacy	20
Qualification and experience of full time personnel*	30
Total	50

* At least one member of research team is expected to have a doctoral degree

Agency must submit the information against each criteria following the sequence of the indicators as mentioned in the above table.

