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Government of India
Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying
Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001 Dated, the 1975 August, 2025

To,

M/s Quality Council of India
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Institution of Engineers Building
2- Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002.

Subject: Appointment of M/s Quality Council of India (QCI) for Third-Party Evaluation of Central Sector Scheme- Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP) implemented by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD)-reg

Sir.

I am directed to convey the approval of the competent authority for the appointment of M/s Quality Council of India as an Agency for Evaluation of Central Sector Scheme- Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP) implemented by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) with the terms and conditions indicated in **Annexure**.

- 2. The approval is based on the terms of reference communicated to QCI and the final cost proposal offered including the dedicated project personnel, man-day assessment for assessment etc.,. Statutory tax/ GST will be applicable as per GST rules. M/s QCI shall provide the names of all project team members for the duration of the project before its start to enable them to obtain an entry pass for DAHD.
- An agreement between DAHD and M/s QCI shall be finalized and signed by DAHD & M/s QCI immediately.
- 4. DAHD shall make the payment of the project fee as per the mechanism stipulated in Para 5 read with Para 6 of Terms and Conditions for Evaluation of the scheme- Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP) implemented by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) (refer **Annexure**).
- This issues with the approval of the competent authority and concurrence of AS&FA vide File No. E-26013 Note#75 dated 19.08.2025.

Yours' faithfully,

Encl: a/a

(V. Jaya Chandra Blancis Reddy)

Jaya Chaecto Bhatt) Reddy Date: 19-08-2025 19:07:59

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- 1. Sr.PPS to Secretary (AHD)
- 2. Sr. PPS to Additional Secretary (LH)
- 3. PSO to AS&FA
- 4. NIC for uploading the work order on Department's website

### Copy for Information to:

- 1. PS to Hon'ble Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying
- 2. PS to Hon'ble MoS of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying

**Annexure** 

Terms and Conditions for Mid-term Evaluation of Central Sector Scheme-Livestock Health & Disease Control Programme (LHDCP) implemented by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD)

# Objectives of the study

- 1.1. To study and evaluate/ appraise the impact of different components of LHDCP Scheme on the targeted beneficiaries/ sectors/ areas in terms of both quantitative and qualitative factors
- 1.2. To do the physical assessment of infrastructure created under the component A and Component B of LHDCP on sample basis
- 1.3. To undertake an output-outcome analysis of LHDCP as per the objectives of LHDCP.
- 1.4. To assess that the utilization of funds released by Gol under LHDCP as per the LHDCP's Operational Guidelines, Financial Management Manual and only for the purposes for which the funds were provided, assess diversion or duplication in project implementation, if any.
- 1.5. To study the gaps in implementation, if any, qualitative aspects of implementation and suggest measures for improvement in the future.
- 1.6. To give suitable recommendations for the continuation/ Addition/ Modification/ Discontinuation of components/ activities of the scheme

# 2. Scope of Study/ work:

- 2.1 Review program documents, guidelines, and reports to gain a comprehensive understanding of the program's objectives, strategies, and implementation modalities.
- 2.2 Conduct field visits to across different regions in India to assess the on-ground implementation of the Program
- 2.3 Collecting and analyzing relevant data and information from various stakeholders, State AH departments, farmers, veterinary professionals,

program managers, and government officials participating under the program, **including:** 

- a) Whether process followed in scheduling the vaccination and other logistics so that the same are available before the commencement of the vaccination campaign; whether accessories, logistics, cold chain continuity of vaccines, training of manpower arranged beforehand; whether vaccination calendar prepared beforehand for all 4 vaccination programmes, which are 100% centrally funded?
- b) Whether vaccination is delivered at farmer's doorstep, where there are no camps or nearby hospitals, and if any fees are charged for vaccination
- c) Whether farmer/ livestock keepers are aware of the importance of ear tagging, vaccination, and when and where vaccination and other veterinary health services can be availed; are they aware of the 1962 call number? What are the means of creating awareness for ear tagging, vaccination among farmers that were followed by States?
- d) Whether facilities at all laboratories engaged in the sero-monitoring/ surveillance work available and whether there is liaison with concerned ICAR laboratories / ICAR-NIVEDI, etc. for sero-monitoring/ surveillance etc.
- e) Are there systems for regulating movement of animals, wherever required?
- f) Whether quality vaccines used under the programme are kept and carried till the last-mile in prescribed cold chain conditions;
- g) Whether remunerations to vaccinators have been distributed as envisaged under the scheme
- h) Time taken by vaccinators in uploading data on Bharat Pashudhan Portal data base. Physical verification of data entered by vaccinators from the field to be done
- i) Physical verification of animals covered under the programme in atleast 5 to 10 villages in selected States;
- j) Constraints, if any, faced by the States in ear-tagging of the animals
- k) How suspected outbreak is investigated and specimens arranged to be sent for laboratory confirmation
- What is the monitoring and supervision plan for MVUs at state level; whether call centers operational in the State and is an App/ CRM system in place??
- m) How much time does it take for the MVU to arrive after call is made and whether on-site basic medicines provided for treatment?
- n) Availability of Medicines and equipment in Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs); How the MVUs operate in State? Call based or Route

basis

- o) Status of vaccination against state-prioritized economically important disease & livestock poultry and zoonotic diseases
- Steps taken for strengthening disease diagnostic laboratories and how many veterinarians/ paravet trained from funding under ASCAD
- q) Whether compensation given to the farmers against culling of animals, if any?
- r) Whether awareness generation have been organized by the States as per sanction orders;
- s) How often state nodal officer carry out a monitoring visit to each district/ block etc.? Senior officials of State Animal Husbandry Department
- t) Is there any integration of the programme with other scheme for rural development/ PRI or convergence with other State/ central Department/ agencies?
- u) Whether financial and other resources from other Departments/ Ministry/ Agency obtained by the States for strengthening of the programme (like RIDF, interest free loans to states for capital expenditure from MoF etc.);
- v) Perception of Stakeholders (Beneficiaries) in terms of their requirements from the project. What benefits do farmers see from Vaccination and ear tagging?
- 2.4 Assessment of the program's impact on key performance indicators, such as vaccination coverage, farmers benefitted and animals treated etc.
- 2.5 Role and performances of Programme Implementing Agencies, Programme Logistics Agency and Programme Management Agency as per the scheme guideline as per the project
- 2.6 Identifying successful practices, innovations, and lessons learned from the implementation of the program to inform future interventions and replication in other regions or countries.
- 2.7 Providing actionable recommendations for enhancing the program's effectiveness, efficiency, and sustainability.
- 3. Methodology: M/s Quality Council of India (QCI) may devise and indicate the methodology they are going to adopt in conducting such a study, and shared with DAHD well in advance for improvement (if any).

Coverage of the study: At present, all the components are implemented pan-India. Hence the evaluation of the LHDCP will be carried out across 20 States and 40 districts preferably where vaccination/ other activities can be seen on-ground. The agency needs to sample across at least 400 villages covering total 4000 farmers/beneficiaries. 3.1. Time frame for completion of the study: 3 months from the date of the Award of Work.

### Sampling:

For the purpose of ensuring balanced regional representation, the country will be divided into six zones, namely *North, Central, South, East, West, & North East* as per the NSSO guidelines and aspirational districts/ blocks will be kept in mind.

To ensure national representation and capture regional diversity, the sampling framework adopts a zone-based, multi-stage stratified sampling approach. The sampling plan is as follows:

No. of States/UTs: 20
No. of Districts: 40
No. of Villages: 400
No. of Farmers: 4000

The following is the distribution of states and districts for field data collection, aligned with the zonal sampling strategy.

Table 1: States & Districts for LHDCP Scheme Evaluation

S. No.	Zone	Proposed State
1	North	Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab, Rajasthan
2	Central	Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh
3	East	Bihar, Odisha, West Bengal
4	West	Goa, Gujarat, Maharashtra
5	South	Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Telangana
6	North East	Assam, Sikkim, Tripura

# Payment Schedule

- 5.1. 20% of the total cost of study/ work, as per work order, interest-free mobilization advance.
- 5.2. 30% of the cost of study/ work, as per work order, on submission of Draft Report (soft copy + hard copies) along with requisite data files.
- 5.3. Balance 50%, or an amount calculated based on the total amount payable as per the work order and agreed terms & conditions, minus the amount already paid, on acceptance of final report/documents by DAHD in full compliance with obligations on the part of the bidder under the work order/agreed terms & conditions.
- 6. General Terms and Conditions for conducting evaluation studies:
- 6.1. This work order of engagement of M/s Quality Council of India (QCI) as Mid-term Evaluation Agency shall be valid for 3 (Three) months from the date of award of this work order. However, its performance as Mid-term Evaluation Agency shall be reviewed initially, after completion of the 1 month from the date of acceptance of this work order by M/s QCI.

- 6.2. For carrying out services as Mid-term Evaluation Agency as per this order DAHD shall pay M/s QCI @ Rs. 1,23,48,060/- (One Crore Twenty Three Lakh Forty Eight Thousand and Sixty only) inclusive of all taxes for Mid-term Evaluation of Central Sector Scheme- Livestock Health & Disease Control programme (LHDCP) implemented by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD).
- 6.3. Payments to M/s Quality Council of India:
  - 6.3.1. The payment schedule has been stipulated in Para 5 above.
  - 6.3.2. For facilitating electronic transfer for funds, the M/s QCI shall be required to indicate the name of the Bank and Branch, account number (i.e. bank names, IFSC Code and Bank Me No.) and also forward a cheque leaf duly cancelled to verify the details furnished to DAHD. These details should also be furnished on the body of bill submitted for payment by M/s Quality Council of India.
  - 6.3.3. Currency: The price is payable to M/s Quality Council of India in local currency i.e. Indian Rupees.
  - 6.3.4. M/s QCI shall submit pre-receipted invoices in triplicate, complete in all respects, on satisfactory completion of work, for necessary settlement to DAHD. Payment would be made by DAHD within 30 days of submission of invoice, subject to successful completion of the required work as per Work Order's Terms and Conditions of Midterm Evaluation of Central Sector Scheme- Livestock Health & Disease Control programme (LHDCP) implemented by the Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD). The invoice should be submitted along with complete details of the work undertaken during the contract, supporting documents and bills (if required) as well as copies of the work/ material produced during the contract, for which the bills are submitted.
- 6.4. No interest will be payable in case of delay in a payment at any stage.
- 6.5. The amount released by DAHD should not be utilized or adjusted for any other purpose by M/s QCI.
- 6.6. The accounts pertaining to the above study shall be subject to check by the internal audit of the office of the Pay and Accounts Officer.
- 6.7. In case of default, the entire amount shall be refunded with interest, at a rate, which may be in force for such defaults at that time.
- 6.8. Work Order shall be issued in duplicate by the DAHD to M/s QCI and M/s QCI shall, within 3 (three) days of the receipt of the Work Order, sign and return the duplicate copy of the Work Order in acknowledgement thereof.
- 6.9. Performance Security (equivalent to 5 (Five) percent of the total cost of the Mid-term Evaluation Study) of Rs. 6,17,403/- (Six Lakh Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred and Three only) shall be deposited by M/s QCI from a Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank, before start of work on assignment to

DAHD.

- 6.10. Performance Security shall be retained by DAHD until the completion of the assignment by the M/s QCI and be released 60 (Sixty) Days after the completion of the assignment.
- 6.11. Performance Security needs to be in the form of a Bank Guarantee substantially in favour of:

PAO (Sectt 1), Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

- 6.12. All technical information and manuals, from time to time shall be drawn up in English language.
- 6.13. The study report has to be submitted within a period of 3 months from the date of awarding the study by the DAHD.
- 6.14. M/s QCI should submit its report within set time frame. Penalty will be imposed in case of delay in submission of report is more than 1 month.
- 6.15. M/s QCI shall report to Additional Secretary (LH) or his nominee for necessary directions and discussions.
- 6.16. State and District-level nodal officers to facilitate access to data and field units for the representatives of M/s QCI evaluation study team. Resistance or non-cooperation by local authorities with M/s QCI representatives will be taken seriously and would be dealt at the highest level.
- 6.17. The sample design, sample size and methodology for conducting the study may be approved by the Department before starting the study.
- 6.18. A comparative study for evaluating differences in impact between Component A and Component B areas should also be included.
- 6.19. M/s QCI is required to collect, evaluate and assess the impact and performance of LHDCP scheme on gender (male/ female/ others), category (SC/ ST/ OBC) etc. M/s QCI would also suggest for modifications for social inclusions.
- 6.20. The expert may write to or contact Additional Secretary (LH) or his nominee(s) for any assistance required from DAHD. However, it may be clarified that the M/s QCI has to use its own resources at its own expense for collecting information/ data from various organizations in Government/public/private sector.
- 6.21. The appellate authority for any dispute arising out of the interpretation of the terms and conditions or any other matter connected with the study shall be the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, whose decision shall be final and binding on all the parties concerned.
- 6.22. The experts shall keep DAHD informed about the progress and course of the study regularly during the course of the study.
- 6.23. A formal interim review at the midpoint of the 3-month period would

be undertaken. This review is to act as a check-in for assessing progress, identifying field challenges, and allowing for approved course corrections and incorporation of modifications/ updates for evaluation study if needed.

6.24. Notwithstanding the above terms and conditions, the provisions of GFR 2017 and orders issued there under from time to time would also be complied with.

### 7. Penalty:

- 7.1. Any delay in completing the study and submitting the Reports (hard copies and soft copy) along with other data files etc., as per the timelines given in the work order (3 months) may entail the imposition of penalties as decided by the competent authority of DAHD.
- 7.2. Delay in Submission of 'The Final Report along with all data files beyond the time limit given in the work order (3 months from the date of the work order) would entail a penalty at the rate of 1% of the total cost of the contract for each month of delay or part thereof for the first 2 months of delay and @ 2% of the total cost of the contract for each month of delay or part thereof beyond first 2 months of delay (excluding the grace period, granted by competent authority, if any). However, the competent authority, may in its discretion, for valid reasons to be recorded, grant a grace period not exceeding one month, for submission of all reports/ documents/ files etc. beyond 3 months from date of work order without imposition of any penalty. In this situation, the penalties clause will start from the end of the grace period so granted.
- **8. Jurisdiction:** The court at New Delhi shall alone have exclusive jurisdiction.
- 9. Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) may increase or decrease the period of the Study, modify/ add any terms and condition as appropriate for study and also terminate the tender at any time without assigning any reason to M/s Quality Council of India (QCI).
- 10. The structure of the Evaluation Report of the Central Sector Scheme-Livestock Health & Disease Control Program (LHDCP) should be in accordance to the template provided by vide OM No. 66(59) PFC-II/2018-Pt dated 22.05.2019 issued by Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, Government of India.

#### 11. Other Conditions:

- 11.1. QCI would maintain highest of ethical standards and would ensure acquiring of consent from respondents while maintain data privacy throughout the course of the evaluation study.
- 11.2. M/s Quality Council of India shall ensure that the information/ details related to the assignment which comes to the knowledge of M/s Quality Council of India or its personnel, during the course of provision of services under the work order, are kept confidential and are not, directly or indirectly, disclosed to any third party. Any deviation or violation would render QCI for appropriate legal/ disciplinary action.
- 11.3. The data obtained, generated, derived etc. would be sole property of DAHD. QCI cannot claim to the ownership of data anywhere, anytime

whatsoever. DAHD will be the sole proprietor to publish or utilize the data as deemed necessary/ suitable by DAHD.

- 11.4. M/s QCI cannot use the data (in any form) from the mid-term evaluation study. If the need arrives so, prior permission from DAHD may be obtained.
- 11.5. If any dispute or difference of any kind of whatsoever arises between DAHD and M/s Quality Council of India in connection with or arising out of relating to or under this order, both parties shall promptly and in good faith negotiate with a view to its amicable resolution and settlement. In the event that no amicable resolution or settlement is reached within a period of (30) days from the date on which the above-mentioned dispute or difference arose, such dispute or difference shall be settled finally by Secretary, DAHD whose decision shall be final and binding.
- 11.6. DAHD shall have the right to terminate the appointment vide this order by giving a notice of 15 (Fifteen) days in writing. In the event of termination of the appointment for reasons not solely attributable to M/s Quality Council of India, DAHD will reimburse all the expenses incurred by M/s Quality Council of India upon submission of appropriate evidence by M/s Quality Council of India. If the appointment is terminated due to reasons attributable solely to M/s Quality Council of India or in case of termination of the appointment by M/s Quality Council of India for reasons not solely attributable to DAHD, the latter will forfeit the performance security, if any, of M/s Quality Council of India.
- 11.7. The Evaluation Team of M/s Quality Council of India shall report to Additional Secretary (Livestock Health) for necessary directions.
- 11.8 All future communications by M/s QCI shall be done with the office of Additional Secretary (LH) (email id jslh-dadf@gov.in and in cc to dir-lh@dahd.nic.in and sujit.nayak@nic.in).

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