

Center for Independent Living of Persons with Disabilities (CIL-KATHMANDU)

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Expression of Interest (EOI) Development of a Policy Brief on Persons with Independent Living

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Background

CIL-Kathmandu is a non-governmental organization committed to promoting the rights, inclusion, and empowerment of persons with disabilities in Nepal. As part of our ongoing efforts to advocate for policy reforms, we are seeking a qualified consultant or firm to develop a comprehensive policy brief on "Persons with Independent Living."

The policy brief will serve as a critical tool for advocacy, awareness-raising, and influencing policy decisions to ensure that persons with disabilities can live independently and participate fully in society.

Objective

The primary objective of this assignment is to develop a well-researched, evidence-based, and actionable policy brief that:

- 1. Highlights the existing policies that align with independent living of persons with disabilities.
- 2. Highlights the current challenges faced by persons with disabilities in achieving independent living in Nepal.
- 3. Provides recommendations for policy and legal reforms to promote independent living.
- 4. Offers practical strategies for implementation and monitoring of these reforms.

Scope of Work

The selected consultant or firm will be responsible for the following tasks:

1. Conduct a comprehensive review of existing policies, laws, and frameworks related to independent living for persons with disabilities in Nepal and internationally.

- 2. Engage with key stakeholders, including persons with disabilities, disability rights organizations, government agencies, and other relevant entities to gather insights and input.
- 3. Draft a concise, accessible, and inclusive policy brief that includes:
 - An overview of the current situation of persons with disabilities in Nepal in the lens of independent living concept.
 - Key principles of independent living.
 - Evidence-based recommendations for policy and legal reforms.
 - Strategies for implementation and monitoring.
- 4. **Finalization**: Incorporate feedback from CIL-Kathmandu and stakeholders to finalize the policy briefly.

Deliverables

The consultant or firm will be expected to deliver the following:

- 1. An inception report outlining the methodology, work plan, and timeline.
- 2. A draft policy brief for review and feedback.
- 3. A final policy brief, incorporating feedback and recommendations.
- 4. A presentation or briefing to CIL-Kathmandu and stakeholders, if required.

Qualifications and Expertise

CIL-Kathmandu is seeking expressions of interest from individuals or firms with the following qualifications:

- 1. Proven experience in policy research, analysis, and development, particularly in the areas of disability rights, social inclusion, or independent living.
- 2. Strong understanding of the Nepalese legal and policy framework related to disability rights.
- 3. Experience in conducting stakeholder consultations and engaging with persons with disabilities.
- 4. Excellent writing and communication skills in English and Nepali.
- 5. Familiarity with universal design principles and accessibility standards.

Submission Requirements

Interested consultants or firms are invited to submit the following documents:

- 1. A cover letter expressing interest in the assignment.
- 2. A detailed proposal outlining the proposed methodology, work plan, and timeline.
- 3. A financial proposal with a detailed budget breakdown.

- 4. CV(s) of the consultant(s) or team members, highlighting relevant experience and qualifications.
- 5. Samples of previous work, such as policy briefs, research reports, or similar documents.

Submission Details

All submissions must be sent electronically to info@cil.org.np with the subject line "EOI: Policy Brief on Persons with Independent Living" by 28 February 2025.

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Note

CIL-Kathmandu reserves the right to accept or reject any or all submissions without providing reasons. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for further discussions.

We look forward to receiving your Expression of Interest and working together to advance the rights and inclusion of persons with disabilities in Nepal.

Kind Regards,

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