

Criteria and point system for the evaluation of the technical grant proposal:

Points

- (i) Proposed methodology (including technical quality and financial viability), work plan (including activities and results targets), and management structure (including monitoring and evaluation, impact assessment and results based management): **35**
- (ii) Technical capacity, expertise of the applicant and its partners to deliver the work programme; and delivery mechanisms: **25**
- (iii) Experience and qualification of Key Experts and Staff proposed for the Grant: **20**
- (iv) Regional presence of the applicant and its partners, their experience in targeted countries, and programmatic coherence with their medium-term strategies/priorities: **10**
- (v) Co-Financing and resource including with ongoing Government or development partner programmes : **5**

**Total points for the five criteria: 95**

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**The minimum technical score (St) required to pass is: *No less than ten points from the highest score among all applicants***

Request for clarification from IFAD must be responded to within 3 working days or as communicated by IFAD.

Criteria and point system for the evaluation of the financial proposal:

Points

- (i) the coherence of the financial proposal with the technical proposal detail and the detailed activities: **5**

**Total points for financial criteria: 5**

Note: in case of equal final scores, proposals shall be ranked in the order of proposal(s) demonstrating the lowest percentage of management and overhead costs against the project direct costs. In such case, IFAD will select the Applicant with the lowest percentage of management and total overhead costs, that does not exceed a threshold of up to 8% of project direct costs.

For the purpose of the evaluation, IFAD will exclude: (a) all local identifiable indirect taxes such as sales tax, excise tax, VAT, or similar taxes levied on the contract's invoices; and (b) all additional local indirect tax on the remuneration of services rendered by non-resident experts in IFAD's country. If a Grant is awarded, all such taxes will be discussed, finalized (using the itemized list as a guidance but not limiting to it) and added to the grant amount as a separate line, also indicating which taxes shall be paid by the Applicant.