Introduction

The Citizens Charter is a National Priority Program (NPP) of the National Unity Government (NUG) that was officially launched on September 25, 2016. The Citizens Charter is an inter-ministerial, multi-sartorial NPP, where Ministries have collaborated to provide basic services to rural communities. The key service delivery ministries involved are: Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development (MRRD), Ministry of Education (MoE), Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) and Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock (MAIL), with oversight by Ministry of Finance (MoF). MRRD has a key role and will be responsible for infrastructural development and strengthening CDCs and Cluster CDCs. The Community Development Councils (CDCs) will be linked to sub-national government to improve communication and coordination from the community to the district, provincial and national levels - increasing Government visibility and accountability. The Citizens’ Charter is an important foundation for the Government’s reform agenda, contributing to a number of priority areas including: Ensuring Citizens’ Development Rights; Building Better Governance; Reforming Development Planning & Management and Developing Partnerships.

The Citizens Charter intends to improve service delivery by ensuring minimum service standards, provide greater responsiveness by the Government to the people and increase the level of public satisfaction with services. The Charter commits to deliver the following core services across the country over a 10-year period:

- Basic health services
- Basic education access
- Safe drinking water and sanitation
- Improved farming technologies and the delivery of extension services
- Rural connectivity with tertiary roads
- Rural renewable energy

| Title: | Senior Finance Officer (EQRA) |
| Vacancy Announcement No: | 285/HRMD/CCNPP/MRRD |
| Gender: | Male/ Female |
| No. of Post: | 1 |
| Duty Station: | Kabul |
| Duration: | 1 Year (Extendable) |
| Salary: | As per NTA Salary Scale |
| Announcing Date: | 29-June, 2019 |
| Closing Date: | 8-July, 2019 |
About EQRA Project:

EQRA aims to increase equitable access to primary and secondary education, particularly for girls, in selected lagging provinces, and to improve learning conditions in Afghanistan. The project introduces a shift from monitoring only enrolment of students (which also include permanently absent students) to focusing on bringing children into school and their attendance. EQRA will: (a) focus on the 17 most lagging provinces in terms of girls’ attendance in schools; (b) direct the system toward tracking and rewarding retention of students, especially girls, by tracking attendance of students as opposed to enrolment (the difference between actual attendance and enrolment is estimated between 30 percent and 35 percent); and (c) focus on strengthening the governance of general education to improve the service delivery transparently and strengthen accountability, an area which was not supported systematically under the previous operations.

MRRD, in coordination with MoE and MoF, is responsible for the overall school construction. Implementation takes place through CDC/CCDC, using community procurement. Funds for school construction are transferred from MoF directly to CDC/CCDC accounts as grants, after MRRD assessment and disbursement request. In areas where CCDCs exist, and where the CCDC boundary is relatively aligned to the school catchment areas, implementation will take place through CCDCs. In areas where implementation cannot take place through CCDCs, implementation will follow Joint Projects as per the CCAP manual, implemented by CDCs within the catchment area of the relevant school.

OBJECTIVE:

The senior finance Officer Supports the EQRA School Project on the verifications & disbursements of over the implementation period of five years.

Have clear understanding and knowledge of relevant guidelines and policies as stated in the CCAP Operations Manual (OM) and the World Bank Financial Management Manual (FMM). Implement and apply the financial policies and procedures in overall accounting activities

Main Duties and Responsibilities:

- Examine and verify all EQRA & CCAP related disbursement requests, CDC/CCDC bank account details, and other requirements against approved subproject proposals and OM guidelines.
- Verifying closures forms (SFSR & CFHs) of EQRA and CCAP financed sub-projects in the system based on guidelines of CCAP OM.
- Return those EQRA and CCAP disbursement requests that do not meet the criteria for disbursements and/or need other revisions to the PMUs and advise the PMUs of the corrections needed.
- Prepare disbursement batches for EQRA & CCAP requests.
- Printing & checking the EQRA batches before signing.
- Preparing EQRA& CCAP batch summary and cashbook for signatures.
- Updating Batch & Reversals Register Books on regular basis for EQRA School Projects.
Report any ineligible request and the reason(s) to the Unit Head & PMUs for resolving.

- Assist the grants’ team in preparation of the daily, quarterly disbursement report and reconciliations.
- Maintain proper and date-wise, province-wise filing system of all disbursements, batches, supporting documents, reports, letters and other documentations.
- Assist the Senior Grants in preparing reversal letters for CDCs/CCDCs grants in line to EQRA & CCAP
- Liaison with PMUs and Da Afghanistan Bank on BG related issues.
- Coordinate with MIS in designing of EQRA related features.
- Travel to field offices on need basis.
- Any other official/job related tasks assigned by the Head of Grant Unit.

QUALIFICATIONS & EXPERIENCE:

- Bachelor’s Degree in Economics or BBA or in any other related field.
- 5 years’ experience in the related field.
- Ability to travel to provinces to conduct field visits
- Fluency in English and National Languages
- Ability to work with a multidisciplinary team, proactive with good problem-solving skills, has the ability to interact professionally with a wide range of people
- Good written and verbal communication skills in English, Dari and Pashto essential and as well as having good interpersonal skills

How to Apply:

Please send your up-to-date CV with covering letter telling us why you are applying and how you met the required competencies before closing date, Interested Afghan Nationals should submit their applications in writing (clearly indicating on the subject line the title of the position and Vacancy Announcement Number e.g. Senior Finance Officer (EQRA) 285/HRMD/CCNPP/MRRD to: vacancies@ccnpp.org

Important Note: any/all application without the mentioned subject line will not be considered.

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Women candidates with slightly lower than the stated required educational qualifications will also be considered.

If offered this position, the woman position holder will be allowed an adult male or female relative as a Mahram for official travel, if/when required.

The MRRD and its CCNPP will promote a women-friendly environment with clear anti-harassment policies enforced.

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