

### *Call for Expression of Interest*

# **Strengthen the commitment and capacity of Government and partners for improving and sustaining WASH services in communities and institutions, including promoting menstrual hygiene practices**

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## **1 Timeline**

Posted	Aug 22, 2024
Clarification Request Deadline	Aug 28, 2024
Application Deadline	Sep 2, 2024
Notification of Results	Sep 5, 2024
Start Date	Sep 20, 2024
End Date	Feb 28, 2025

## **2 Locations**

- A Indonesia
  - a Java

## **3 Sector(s) and area(s) of specialization**

- A WASH and Environment
  - a Basic sanitation
  - b Hygiene
  - c Natural resources, environmental pollution and climate action

## **4 Issuing Agency**

UNICEF

## **5 Project Background**

Menstruation can be a significant source of stress and anxiety for girls and young women. Many girls in the region struggle to manage their periods and are unprepared for menarche. Taboos, myths, and secrecy perpetuated at home prevent girls from getting the support and knowledge they need to manage their periods with confidence and dignity. A study commissioned by UNICEF reported very poor menstrual hygiene management (83% of girls) and high absenteeism during the last menstruation (15% of girls) in selected schools in NTT (Davis et al, 2018). UNICEF, with the support of the DFAT C-Surge program, is committed to empowering young women to effectively manage their menstrual health and make informed decisions regarding their reproductive well-being. As part of this endeavour,

UNICEF is actively promoting the Oky App, with the goal of reaching 500,000 users by 2024. Presently, the app has been successfully utilized by 450,000 users, with an impressive 93% of them confirming that Oky has significantly enhanced their comprehension of menstrual health and hygiene. Furthermore, poor sanitation and open defecation severely hinder MHH. Women and girls often lack private spaces, leading to embarrassment, stress, and difficulty maintaining proper hygiene. UNICEF has been promoting the creation of a comprehensive WASH program to support gender-responsive and disability-inclusive WASH interventions across two provinces (Papua and NTT). These initiatives are integrated with efforts to enhance climate resilience for sanitation facilities at households and institutions. In line with the national development agenda, within the UNICEF Country Program Action Plan 2021-2025, UNICEF will continue supporting the Government of Indonesia at national and subnational levels to accelerate and sustain ODF, mainstream WASH in institutions, and improve menstrual health and hygiene education that impacts children's and adolescents' health and well-being. This partnership with the selected NGO will help achieve the Country Programme 2021-2025 goal of eliminating open defecation (Output 2.2 and 2.4).

## 6 **Expected Results**

The partnership aims to continue the support of the Government of Indonesia to enhance the quality of life of adolescents in accelerating and sustaining the goal of being open defecation-free, which is one of the key targets in the Mid-Term Plan (RPJMN) 2020-2024. This includes strengthening WASH in institutions, scaling up the promotion of hand hygiene for all, providing menstrual health and hygiene education, and leveraging the use of the Oky Indonesia app across Indonesia. This partnership will contribute to UNICEF's Country Programme 2021-2025, particularly focusing on output 2.2, which is ending open defecation. The expected results of this partnership are described below.

Output 1: The national governments have enhanced capacity and commitment to engage multi stakeholders to expand menstrual health and hygiene education by accelerating the adoption and impact of the Oky Indonesia Apps. Key activities to achieve the output: 1.1. Support promotional events to increase Oky adoption in schools, madrasahs, Islamic boarding schools (pesantren), and communities in selected provinces. 1.2. Support the implementation of competition events at the national level to maintain engagement with Oky users. 1.3. Conduct a review meeting with the national government and other Oky ecosystem stakeholders to discuss the scalability and sustainability of Oky deployment. 1.4. Support the revision of the peer-to-peer toolkit to accommodate the needs of girls in Islamic Boarding Schools (Pesantren). Note: All activities listed above must be fully implemented before 31 December 2024.

Output 2: The government has strengthened commitment and strategy to incorporate climate resilience, gender equality, and social inclusion (GEDSI) into the national STBM and WinS programs. Key activities to achieve the output: 2.1. Support the development of national technical guidelines for STBM 5 pillars that integrate climate resilience and GEDSI consideration. 2.2. Support the government in conducting high-level advocacy for ODF acceleration in selected provinces in accordance with the national technical guidelines. 2.3. Support the development of a roadmap for resilient and inclusive WASH in madrasahs based on WASH data analysis from the Education Management and Information System (EMIS). Note: The implementation of the activities listed under this output depends on the funds' availability. In implementing the program activities, the selected partner is required to work and collaborate closely with key government partners such as the Ministry of Health (MoH), the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research and Technology (MoECRT), the Ministry of Religious Affairs (MoRA), Ministry of Home Affairs (MoHA) and local governments, as well as local CSOs such as PKBI, Jejaring AMPL, and various NGOs, FBOs, and CBOs. The Result Framework matrix below provides a comprehensive overview of outputs, geographical coverage, the indicators used to measure output achievement, including baseline data and targets for each indicator, and the means of verification.

## 7 **Indicative Budget**

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## 8 **Other Information**

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## 9 **Selection Criteria**

Name	Description	Weight
Clarity of activities and expected results		20

Relevance of proposal to achieving expected results		20
Contribution of resource		10
Local experience and presence		10
Sector expertise and experience		20
Project management		10
Sustainability of intervention		10

## 10 **Attachments**

Description	URL
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## 11 **Concept Note Template**

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