

## Consultancy: Bangladesh Advocacy Assessment CLARISSA

### Role summary

Are you passionate about advocacy and making a positive impact? Do you want to create change for children affected by the worst forms of child labour?

This exciting opportunity is perfect for an enthusiastic individual who is familiar with the advocacy environment of Bangladesh, social protection and social policy; is experienced in advocacy; and is familiar with the relevant international and Bangladesh policy environments.

**Accountability and support:** This consultancy will be managed by the [Consortium for Street Children](#) (CSC) as the advocacy lead for the [CLARISSA](#) consortium. It will report to the CSC CLARISSA Project Lead, with a 'dotted line' to CLARISSA Social Protection leads at the Institute of Development Studies

**Remuneration:** 2.5 days paid consultancy, depending on rate

**Duration:** Consultants need to be available to attend a face-to-face workshop on Sunday 12 February hosted by TdH Hub, and attend an online (internal) event the 'Advocacy Champions Working Group Meeting' on Monday 13 February.

**Location:** Dhaka, Bangladesh

### About CLARISSA

The CLARISSA Consortium (Child Labour: Action-Research-Innovation in South and South-Eastern Asia) aims to build a strong evidence base and generate innovative solutions to enable children to avoid hazardous, exploitative labour in Bangladesh and Nepal. CLARISSA takes a participatory, adaptive and child centred approach to evidence and innovation generation.

The core international partners are the Institute of Development Studies, Terre des Hommes Foundation, ChildHope and the Consortium for Street Children. Core country partners in Bangladesh are Grambangla Unnayan Committee, and Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM). Core country partners in Nepal are Voice of Children and CWISH.

The CLARISSA programme is funded by the UK's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO). It sits within the Asia Regional Child Labour programme which includes components run by UNICEF Regional Office for South Asia (ROSA), UNICEF Innocenti, and the ILO.

For more information visit: <https://clarissa.global/>

In Bangladesh, advocacy is focusing on worst forms of child labour in the informal sector of the leather industry. Advocacy activities are being co-ordinated by the Advocacy Expert, Azmi Akter, based in Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM). For more information see [Mapping of Children Engaged in the Worst Forms of Child Labour in the Supply Chain of the Leather Industry in Bangladesh - CLARISSA](#)

## **Responsibilities of the consultancy**

As part of this assignment, the consultant will assist Helen Veitch, CLARISSA Advocacy Lead who is visiting Bangladesh from 5-14 February to assess the advocacy environment in Bangladesh. The assessment will focus on the feasibility of participatory (child-led) advocacy activities and traditional advocacy activities on the Worst Forms of Child Labour in the leather industry.

This will include the following tasks:

- Reviewing a policy landscape document on the policy environment in Bangladesh for the leather industry, produced by the Advocacy Lead in Bangladesh and making recommendations for refinement of the document.
- Attending an introductory meeting with Helen Veitch, Advocacy Lead for the CLARISSA project (date and time to be finalised in consultation with consultant).
- Attending a half day workshop on Sunday 12 February that will bring all the operational partners together in Bangladesh to undertake the following activities:
  - o Discuss the WFCL situation and the policy landscape
  - o Explore advocacy messages and stakeholders
  - o Undertake a risk assessment on advocacy on WFCL
- Attend a de-brief meeting with Helen after the workshop on Sunday 12 February
- Attending an online meeting of the Advocacy Champions Working Group Meeting (a CLARISSA internal event) on Monday 13 February (time TBC).
- Developing a document outlining initial thoughts and recommendations on how advocacy activities can be strengthened for the CLARISSA team in Bangladesh.

## **Required qualifications, experience and skills**

The consultant will have demonstrable experience of advocacy, including an understanding of the national child labour landscape, in particular, how it relates to global supply chain mechanisms for the leather and/or garment industries. An understanding of social protection and it's connection to worst forms of child labour.



An understanding of, and commitment to, participatory processes and children's rights, is desirable.

## **How to apply**

To apply for this consultancy, please submit the following to [helen@streetchildren.org](mailto:helen@streetchildren.org) with the subject line "Consultant: CLARISSA Advocacy Assessment Bangladesh" by 3 February.

- Your CV
- Details for two references including their name, role, relationship to you, email address and telephone number.