



Request for Proposals (RFP)_Re-advertisement Early Warning & Community Engagement Consultant

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Raagsan is a female-led social enterprise that specializes in Social Accountability, Governance and Citizen Engagement with focus in the Horn of Africa. Since 2023, Raagsan has been providing community engagement services through its Daadihiye Citizen Engagement platform to provide timely early warning messages and climate risk guidance to flood- and drought-prone communities along the Shabelle River. This involved disseminating messages on weather forecasts and early warning translating hydrological data via radio programs, SMS alerts, and community workshops to increase community awareness. The organization has also worked closely with the national government, local authorities and community leaders to ensure communities have access to timely and reliable early warning information products.

THE INNOVATION

The Beledweyne Voices is one of the initiatives supported by the GSMA Innovation Fund for Humanitarian Challenges. The project is implemented by Raagsan in collaboration with Water in Sight, Radio Hiraanweyne, and Hormuud Telecom, and is funded by the GSMA with contributions from the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO). The project adopts Daadihiye, Raagsan's mobile-based citizen engagement platform, to provide timely early warning messages and climate risk guidance to flood and drought prone communities along the Shabelle River.

Through integration of manual river data, satellite imagery, and real-time analytics, the project delivers localized alerts via SMS, WhatsApp, radio, and a community call centre. The project will also train gauge readers, organize community preparedness workshops, and targets 31,620 residents with advance warnings, enhancing the communities' climate resilience and preparedness capacity. By expanding the use of Daadihiye in Beledweyne, this project builds on proven tools and community trust to ensure early warnings are actionable, accessible, and responsive to the needs of vulnerable populations in one of Somalia's most climate-exposed regions.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Daadihiye is a community-centred initiative designed to strengthen local early warning systems and ensure that climate risk information is accessible, trusted, and acted upon by the people most affected by the crises. It integrates community-generated knowledge with satellite and manual hydrological data, and engages communities through radio, SMS, and participatory

workshops. The project’s main focus is to scale up Raagsan’s existing Daadihiye Citizen Engagement Platform and deliver water and climate risk guidance and warnings through digitized hydrological observations, enhanced risk modelling and tailored messaging. The goal is to empower Beledweyne communities to take timely and informed decisions when faced by drought and flood emergencies.

OBJECTIVES

The objective of this assignment is to strengthen understanding and use of early warning systems among practitioners and community engagement facilitators. The consultant will develop clear and interactive learning materials, produce a community sensitisation guide, facilitate capacity-building workshops, and support the project team to document lessons learned from the roll-out of the Daadihiye Early Warning Dissemination Platform.

SCOPE OF WORK

The consultant will be responsible for the following:

- Develop an interactive Early Warning Guide and Community Sensitisation Toolkit, suitable for practitioners and community engagement facilitators.
- Produce a community sensitisation toolkit to support consistent messaging and engagement at community level.
- Support the development of animated video content to translate the package into an interactive video content. The consultant will work closely with Video Animation and Graphic Design Consultant.
- Facilitate training for practitioners and deliver a Training of Trainers (ToT) for community engagement facilitators through virtual and in-person 5 days session.
- Prepare a brief training report summarising the training outcome.
- Support the project team to document lessons learned from the roll-out of the Daadihiye Early Warning Dissemination Platform and produce a learning brief.

KEY DELIVERABLES

The consultant is expected to deliver the following:

Deliverable	Timeline	Days
Early Warning Guide and a Community Sensitisation Toolkit Package	January – February	25
Support the Video Content Development	February – March	5
Training and Training of Trainers (ToT)	Early April	6
Learning Brief	April – June	15
Total		51

QUALIFICATIONS

Raagsan is seeking a consultant with the following qualifications and experience:

- A university degree in disaster risk management, climate change, or a related field.
- Demonstrated experience working on early warning systems, disaster preparedness, and climate risk-related programmes.
- Proven experience in developing training and learning materials.
- Experience facilitating capacity-building workshops and TOTs.

- Strong writing and analytical skills, with experience producing learning or reflection documents.
- Experience working in fragile and humanitarian contexts is an advantage.
- Proficiency in English; knowledge of Somali context or languages is an asset.

ASSIGNMENT BUDGET & TIMELINES

The assignment will run from **January to May 2026**, with a total available budget of up to **USD 9,180**, inclusive of all costs (i.e. consultant fees, insurances, expenses, and liabilities). Travel cost will be covered by Raagsan.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Technical proposal (max 2 pages with budget quotation included)
- CV of the consultant
- Samples or links to previous relevant work
- Availability and delivery timeline
- Declaration of conflict of interest (if any)

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Technical proposal and methodology – 40%
- Relevant experience – 30%
- Financial competitiveness – 10%
- Timeline and availability – 20%

Proposals must be submitted via email to admin@raagsan.com with the subject line “**RE: Early Warning & Community Engagement Consultant**” by no later than **20 January 2026 at 00:00 EAT** (East Africa Time). Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.