

Terms of Reference (ToR) for Volunteer Empowering Local and National Humanitarian Actors Project

Role	Volunteer- ELNHA
Reports to	Senior Influencing Officer
Duration	6 months

Background

Oxfam's vision is a just world without poverty: a world in where people can influence decisions that affect their lives, enjoy their rights, and assume their responsibilities as full citizens of a world in which all human beings are valued and treated equally.

The Empowering Local and National Humanitarian Actors (ELNHA) project aims at shifting the power and resources in the humanitarian sector from international humanitarian actors to local and national ones. The underlying assumption is that having local and national actors (LNHAs) in the driving seat for emergency preparedness and response shall allow vulnerable people in disaster prone areas to benefit from better humanitarian response.

To achieve the envisioned systemic change in the humanitarian sector, the ELNHA project is pursuing three main strategies in parallel. First of all, the capacity of LNHA is strengthened so that they can lead humanitarian action (STRENGTH). Secondly, LNHA will have the voice to create a strong domestic humanitarian agenda in their countries (VOICE). Thirdly, international NGOs and donors are influenced, based on solid evidence, so that they provide more space and means to LNHA to lead humanitarian action (SPACE).

The local humanitarian leadership or the localisation agenda has become the latest hot topic in the humanitarian reform process. Major new investments in how funding will go to local and national humanitarian actors (LNHA) is currently in discussion; international donors, with aid agencies, have committed, through the Grand Bargain (GB), a goal at least 25% of humanitarian funding and international organizations through Charter for Change (C4C), a goal at 20% funding to local and national responders as directly as possible to improve outcomes for affected.

The humanitarian system in Bangladesh has a long history of working with local and national actors and the environment is largely supportive of the agenda. But the conversation needs to move forward, as the overall system remains biased towards international engagement. The Bangladesh humanitarian NGO community, and particularly Oxfam's ELNHA programme, are interested to ensure that the GB and C4C commitment and want to better understand/evidence the funding flows from donors, INGOs and UN agencies to local and national humanitarian actors.

Overall Purpose of this role

A great opportunity for the fresher to learn in depth and get the practical insight of the local and national humanitarian advocacy. The volunteer will support the Oxfam in

Bangladesh humanitarian team through collecting some of the information, data in relation with project under ELNHA

Key responsibilities

- Assist in implementing the ELNHA influencing strategy
- Assist in developing learning documents and evidences;
- Assist in developing and updating knowledge on local humanitarian leadership agenda.
- Support to develop different concepts/terms of references
- Assist in preparing reports, capturing learning and collecting cases from field.
- Need basis field visit
- Support to organize workshops at national level
- Any other tasks as required by the ELNHA team

Timeline: May to October 2019

SKILLS AND COMPETENCE

- Graduate in Agriculture/ Social Science / Economics / BBA or relevant field
- Creative and have thrive to take challenge
- Willing to work in rural areas farmers and marginalized community;
- Excellent communication and writing skill both in English and Bangla
- Mostly travel to field in different rural areas in Bangladesh
- Pro-active in taking new challenge & thrust to learn.

Reporting Line

The **volunteer** will be supervised, guided by and reportable to Senior Influencing Officer, Oxfam, Dhaka.

Allowance

A motivational daily allowance will be paid for covering his/her foods and local conveyance and for the case of field visit (Outside of Dhaka) he/ she will get at actual accommodation cost and travelling cost during the period of engagement but based on actual working days.