

Call for proposals: Supporting Pastoralism and Agriculture in Recurrent and Protracted Crises (SPARC) programme: a review

Frequently asked questions

Q1: Are for-profit companies eligible to apply for this?

A1: Yes, but it will be important to state any project the organization has previously worked on with the RCC or with FCDO (as applicable), and any potential conflict of interest related to their contribution to the particular project.

Q2: Do you expect any travel/in-country engagement for this review?

A2: There will be no travel for this review, all interactions and project activities will be undertaken digitally.

Q3: Are there any word limits for any of the sections in the application template?

A3: There are no word limits set for the application template.

Q4: If an organisation supported a SPARC study as a subcontractor for data collection only, would that organisation be ineligible?

A4: The organisation would not be ineligible. All organisations would be given access to the same information for the purpose of this exercise and we anticipate much of this exercise is about a future programme, and as such we do not deem there to be a conflict of interest.

Q5: Are you expecting budgets to include a discount? The budget ceiling is GBP 75K - are you expecting proposals to propose lower budgets?

A5: The key point is to show value for money. The proposed budget should reflect the activities planned, how they meet the objectives of the review and address the research questions.