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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

**DACAAR RFP 05 PRF-1600/1712-31/UDW1.3.4 /10.2018**

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### **GMP/GAP/GLOBAI GAP/ISO//GI Certificate**

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DACAAR invites interested parties (National/International Companies) to submit their sealed proposals for **GMP/GAP/GLOBAI GAP/ISO/** Under UNODC Project with details specified below.

Please submit your sealed proposals to DACAAR Main Office in House No. 273, Street No. 12, Qala-e- Fathullah, Kabul - Afghanistan. The deadline for offer/proposal submission is October 19, 2018 before 04:00 PM “local time”.

The Bid Opening Session will be held on October 21, 2018 at 10:30 AM in DACAAR Main Office in Kabul Province and the winner of the bidding will be notified shortly after the opening session.

### **About DACAAR:**

DACAAR is a non-political, non-governmental, non-profit development organisation that has been working to improve the lives of the Afghan people since 1984. DACAAR works in rural areas and aims at improving rural livelihoods through sustainable activities that engage Afghan communities to be agents of their own development process. DACAAR has a main office in Kabul, with a liaison office in Copenhagen, Denmark.

### **Theme:**

Facilitate Global GAP/ISO/GI/Organic India/Eco-labelling/Certificate for National Saffron Association

### **Descriptions:**

European markets are increasingly demanding that their suppliers be certified against a private food safety standard such as GLOBALGAP, BRC and IFS. In addition, each individual retail company may impose even stronger quality requirements on its suppliers so as to differentiate its products from that of its competitors.

Likewise in the Asian market, some minimum certification on food safety is required by local supermarket chains or local agro-processing businesses and these customers will ask for extra quality requirements to purchase the producer's product. Both in Asia and in the international market, farmers and food producers will be increasingly required to be certified against a food safety standard.

Therefore under UNODC project from 2017-2019, DACAAR wish to initiate certification to its Saffron Producer Association supported under the project.

DACAAR wish to invite the authorized CBs (Certification Bodies) to submit their proposal for the following certification.

1. Global GAP.
2. ISO.
3. GI (Geographical Indication).
4. Organic India.
5. Eco-labelling.

### **Brief about Saffron Production Association:**

Saffron, pronounced “Zaafaran” in Dari, Pashto and Arabic, is a high value spice used in cooking for colour and delicate flavouring. It comes from the red stigmas of a flower, *Crocus sativa*, a perennial plant grows from a bulb (or, more accurately, a corm). Saffron price is from US\$ 1600-1800 per kilogram (post- harvest season 2015) in Herat markets where its production is well suited to conditions of western Afghanistan. Saffron is seen as an excellent potential income source for small- and medium-scale farmers.

In 1998, DACAAR initiated saffron planting trials with four local farmers in semi-arid villages of Pashtoon Zarghon district, Herat province. By 2007, due to good results and high economical returns, more than 300 farmers were growing saffron in the district. As a result of DACAAR’s positive experiences with saffron, the Ministry of Agriculture in 2002 and a couple of other NGOs began to distribute saffron corms to farmers and other saffron growers in Herat, Mazar-e-Sharif, Baghlan, Kabul, Wardak, Bamyan and Logar provinces. Continuing this initiative DACAAR has established Maula-e-kalan Saffron PA which is named as Barnabad Saffron Association due to legal registration processes necessities, at present there are close to 200+ members in this association and producing about 200+ KGs of Saffron in Herat.

### **Costs and other conditions:**

Costs for all the participants will be covered by DACAAR through the selected company (to be incorporated after discussion of plans), however the cost of the certifications, facilitator/contractor/ service provider shall be budgeted adequately in the bid. DACAAR can support all the non financial facilitations. For International bidder DACAAR can support sponsorship for visa.

### **Payment:**

Payment will be made in the following instalments at DACAAR Main Office by Cheques/ bank transfers;

- 20% within 07 days of signing of the contract Or certification fees etc.
- 60% successful completion OR mutually agreed negotiated payment terms.
- 20% on final certifications on the trainings and Technical Clearance.

### **For Clarifications on Tasks/assignment:**

Please email your queries at: [ravi.kharka@dacaar.org](mailto:ravi.kharka@dacaar.org); cc: [azizrahman@dacaar.org](mailto:azizrahman@dacaar.org); Before October 19, 2018. No queries will be entertained after October 19, 2018, 4 PM.

### **How to apply:**

Please submit your sealed proposals to DACAAR Main Office in (Qala-e-Fathullah, Street No. 12, Kabul Province). The final offer submission deadline shall be 19 Oct, 2018 before 02 P.M local Kabul time.

For International Bidder please email at: [jamal@dacaar.org](mailto:jamal@dacaar.org) OR [shaker@dacaar.org](mailto:shaker@dacaar.org)

The offers will be opened on 21 30, 2018 at 03:00 PM in DACAAR Main, (Qala-e-Fathullah, Street No. 12, Kabul Province) and the bid winner will be notified shortly after the opening session.

**Taxes:**

Please note that taxes are deductible for contacts valuing over 1 AFN or (equivalent in USD). This can be 2% for those with a valid business licence or 7% for those without or with invalid business licence as per the Tax laws of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

**Child Labor:**

DACAAR (Logistics Unit) adheres to National and International laws on child labour. DACAAR makes sure all its suppliers and vendor abide by such laws preventing child labour in all DACAAR activities countrywide.

**Humanitarian Organizations:**

The Humanitarian Organizations (HO) may conduct on- site visit in the contractor's premises (or may take similar measures) to ensure compliance.

**Award of the contract:**

Award of contract will be based on the price, capacity & potentiality of the bidders which will be decided after evaluation of the consultancy. DACAAR reserves the right to make the decision of awarding contract.

**Penalty:**

In case of delay without logical reasons in Performance of Contract 0.5% of total cost will be charged as penalty for each official day of delay.

For more details, please visit DACAAR Logistics Unit Main Office Kabul, Sunday through Thursday, from 8:00AM to 03:00PM. Or contact on below Email Addresses:  
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Sincerely Yours,  
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