

## **CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)**

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Title:** Provincial Legal Advice and Right to Information (RTI) Hubs

**Application Closing Date:** Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**Start and End Date:** Three (3) months, estimated April 15, 2025, to June 15, 2025 (Tentative)

### **BACKGROUND**

Transparency International (TI) is the global civil society organization leading the fight against corruption. Through more than 100 chapters worldwide and an international secretariat in Berlin, Germany, TI raises awareness of the damaging effects of corruption and works with partners in government, business, and civil society to develop and implement effective measures to tackle it.

Transparency International Pakistan is one of the accredited National Chapter of Transparency International, based in Karachi. By working across Pakistan, we give voice to the victims and witnesses of corruption and work with the government and citizens to stop abuse of power and strive for a corruption-free Pakistan.

### **Strengthening Civic Voices for Good Governance and Accountability (SCVGGA)**

Transparency International Pakistan is implementing its Strengthening Civic Voices for Good Governance and Accountability (SCVGGA). The overall objective of this program is to contribute to good governance, rule of law and transparency by empowering a strong and independent civil society voice and network to mobilize action in support of increased accountability. The project focuses on capacity building of state institutions, improved service delivery, and promoting public participation in decision-making.

### **Strategic goals of SCVGGA:**

1. To work in partnership with communities and civil society to ensure participative policy-making processes and the highest standards of transparency.
2. To ensure national and provincial level accountability measures are linked and safeguards are in place and appropriately enforced.
3. To support local communities, civil society actors, and independent accountability agencies to play an oversight role.

## OBJECTIVES

The current EOI is only open to organizations which have worked with TI Pakistan under different activities. Selected partner organizations are expected to specifically perform and help with the following tasks and objectives as outlined below:

- Offer free legal guidance to individuals on drafting and submitting RTI applications including assisting in identifying the type of information that can be requested from public bodies, ensuring that citizens have a clear understanding of their rights, and the methods to file an RTI request.
- Provide free legal support to the communities, victims, and witnesses of corruption on how to seek redressal and register complaints including on issues pertaining to environment, climate change, climate governance and climate finance.
- Providing technical and logistic support to citizens for submitting and pursuing at least 25 to 30 RTI requests at the district and provincial levels.
- Keeping all data and records of RTI requests in a standard format for best practices in the future.

### Target Group

- At least 25% of legal advice clients must be women
- At least 20% of RTI requests by women
- At least 5% of legal advice provided to and RTI requests filed by persons with disabilities

## SELECTION CRITERIA

Selection will be made based on the following:

Area	Maximum Points
Experience of work around citizen engagement and good governance	10
Experience of work around social accountability, including RTI	10
Capacity and experience in providing legal advice	10
Number of Projects Implemented on community engagement and mobilization in the last 2 years	10
Any other relevant experience pertaining to TI Pakistan work under “Strengthening Citizens Voices for Good Governance and Accountability” in Pakistan	10
<b>Maximum Score</b>	<b>50</b>

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Interested organizations are invited to submit their Expression of Interest containing the following:

- Concept paper (not more than one page) highlighting the organization's work on Right to information and Legal Advice
- Registration Certificate
- Audit Reports (Last two years)
- Proof of having an active bank account
- Women-led organizations are encouraged to apply
- Organizations working on issues of people with disabilities are also encouraged to apply

Applications should be submitted in English on the email address [Alacpakistan1@transparency.org.pk](mailto:Alacpakistan1@transparency.org.pk) by Friday, April 07, 2025