



## Terms of Reference

### Rehabilitation of 95 boreholes in Butaleja (35) and Kaabong (60) Districts

#### General Description of the Country Programme

GOAL is an Irish international humanitarian organization currently working in 13 countries in emergency and development contexts across the world. First operational in Uganda in the late 70's, GOAL Uganda's country programme is focused on long term development in health and livelihoods with a strategic focus on the north and east, where socio economic growth lags significantly behind the rest of the country. We have a coherent and innovative country programme that uses a resilience and systems approach throughout to increase incomes, employment, food security and diversity, increase social capital and improve health. GOAL works on a district focused approach and uses a mixture of direct implementation and partnerships with local civil society organizations, private sector partners and District Local Government to give effect to our mission.

#### Overview of GOAL Uganda WASH Programme

GOAL has been implementing WASH programs in Uganda since 2003 transitioning from an emergency approach, through crisis recovery to a development WASH program, with an increasing focus on achieving sustainable impact using a systems approach. Geographically, GOAL Uganda's WASH program has been implemented in Northern Uganda (Agago), Karamoja (Abim and Kaabong, and now expanding to Karenga through a partnership on water point rehabilitation), and Eastern Uganda (Bugiri and Namayingo and now expanding to Butaleja). GOAL works directly with communities and through partnerships and collaboration with civil society organizations, UWASNET, the private sector and in close coordination with district local governments (Bugiri, Namayingo, Kaabong and Butaleja Districts), regional government structures (Technical Support Units and Umbrella Organizations) and the Central government of Uganda. The WASH Programme directly contributes to **Goal 2: People have Resilient Health** of our current three-year country strategy, aligned with the GOAL Global Strategy. GOAL Uganda's WASH programmatic approach among other thematic areas includes safe water supply through rehabilitation and construction of water points and piped water schemes. We continue to explore other contextualized WASH technological options suitable to reach even those living in hard-to-reach areas.

#### The Context Analysis

In the recently concluded 444 grant cycle (ended in Aug 2024), GOAL Uganda (GU) successfully rehabilitated at least 40 boreholes in Butaleja and 62 in Kaabong districts under the sustainable WASH programme funded by Charity: Water. This intervention significantly increased access to safe water for rural communities in these districts. However, a comprehensive district-wide assessment revealed additional rehabilitation needs that were not addressed in the previous grant. Consequently, new funding has been secured under the 3431 grant cycle to continue borehole rehabilitation efforts.

In preparation for the next phase of implementation, community leaders and water point users have been mobilized in both districts, ensuring their participation in line with the Demand Responsive Approach (DRA) requirements. The DRA, as adopted by GU and in accordance with the Government of Uganda's guidelines, is crucial for identifying and prioritizing communities to benefit from this initiative. Under the new grant, at least 35 boreholes in Butaleja and 60 in Kaabong will be rehabilitated, further addressing the water access gaps in these districts.

#### **Main objective**

To increase access to sustainable safe water to the communities of Butaleja and Kaabong districts. This intervention is expected to serve an average of 300 persons from 50 households per rehabilitated water point.

#### **Key deliverables**

The contractor shall undertake the following activities:

- Water quality sampling and testing at a government laboratory. GOAL will conduct this function, but should any water points be included before their water testing has been done, this item shall be involved and required from the contractor before rehabilitation.
- Uninstall and disinfect the borehole column as per the technical specifications for borehole disinfection.
- Conduct well development of the wells until a clear discharge is obtained as shall be approved by the client's representative.
- Reconstruct the apron by casting or repair as per the detailed BoQ.
- Replacing the super structure installation and pump installation detail as per the assessment (pedestal, water tank, pump head, riser columns, cylinder).
- Clear the site of any construction debris.
- Submit progress reports and compile a detailed completion report at the end of the contract.

#### **GOAL's Obligation**

GOAL will provide the following:

- Sample and deliver to a reputable laboratory, water sample for physiochemical analysis of parameters indicated in the contract. For any wells where the sample may not have been handled by the time of contracting, the contractor shall be given a written instruction to conduct sampling and testing as applicable. The contractor shall provide a "rate only" in the BoQ, which cost shall be applied to compute the final sum due to the contractor.
- Sample and carryout inhouse bacteriological analysis as an indicative test on microbial safety of the water. Should the results turn out positive, the contractor will be required to re-disinfect the source at their own cost.
- Field support by the GOAL team as required.
- Monitoring of progress and conducting performance review meeting with all stakeholders.
- Pay for the project works at a sum in the contract or that approved by the supervising team/contracts manager.

**Time frame**

The rehabilitation works will be implemented in two phases. The first phase involves the rehabilitation of at least 75 boreholes, with implementation scheduled for the first quarter, concluding in Feb 2025. The selected contractors are expected to commence work immediately upon signing the contract and complete the assignment within a three-month period, from Dec 2024 to Feb 2025. The second phase will follow immediately after the completion of the first, continuing into the second quarter. This phased approach has been adopted to align with the completed assessments that must be addressed within the first quarter.

**Remuneration**

GOAL Uganda will provide a lump sum payment as agreed upon by both parties in the contract, contingent upon the successful completion of the assignment and submission of the relevant invoices. Any variations arising during the execution of the assignment must receive prior approval from the client, after which the revised payable amount will be determined accordingly.