

**Questions and Answers for
Lebanon Corrections Professionalization
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Question 1:

Page 1: The award ceiling is listed at \$2,500,000, however, on page 11 under “Section II: Federal Award Information” it states: “The anticipated total federal funding amount is not to exceed \$1,500,000. Could you please explain the difference? Does the award ceiling of \$2,500,000 cover all 5 years (3 base and 2 option years)? Is the \$2,500,000 for 1 year, 3 years or 5 years?

Answer:

This was a typo, this should read \$2,500,000 and it covers the three base years.

Question 2:

Page 6: “Activity 3: Provide an electronic classification system or prison/inmate management system, compatible with Oracle.” – Could you please provide any information on the system currently used? What IT equipment and software are being used? Who will be responsible for providing IT equipment, software, licensing, etc.?

Answer:

The current system is Oracle based but very basic as there are only 6-7k prisoners in the country. Any IT equipment, software, licensing, etc would need to be provided by the implementer.

Question 3:

Page 10: “Number of corrections cadets trained on the new corrections curriculum, over a 5-year period: 1000” – This training is not listed as an activity under the 3 stated LOEs. Is the implementer expected to be involved in this training or is this the responsibility of the trainers trained by the implementer? How is the number 1000 derived?

Answer:

Yes, the implementer would assist in developing the curriculum and conduct the training. The number was provided by the ISF for how many folks they want to train over 5 years.

Question 4:

Page 5: “administer a correctional system that is consistent with international standards” – Are the standards referred to the International Correctional Core Standards or some other set of standards?

Answer:

Yes, this is the set of standards this is referring to.

Question 5:

What support will the US Department of State provide for visas, sponsorship and work permits for Lebanon?

Answer:

The implementer should be responsible for their visas. If the members working in Lebanon are being paid by a U.S. company, they only need residential permits (which we can facilitate their issuance through the ISF) and they don't need work permits. It's the same with the Blue Force contractors/advisors.

Question 6:

What support will the US Department of State provide for life support and/or accommodations in Lebanon?

Answer:

The implementer is responsible for life support and accommodations. The US Department of State can provide suggestions regarding these issues, but is unable to provide support in this area.

Question 7:

Is the implementer expected to be fully self-sufficient as regards to visas, life support, accommodations, security and transportation while in Lebanon?

Answer:

Yes.

Question 8:

Do all or any of the implementing personnel need to be American citizens?

Answer:

No, this is not required.