SURGE

TERMS OF REFERENCE/REQUEST FORM

INTERNAL

1. **ASSIGNMENT DETAILS:**

Surge Modality: what is the modality you are requesting, if you are unclear, write unclear	*Internal, Frontlines/ERT*
Country and duty station	Niger
Position title and grade:	*WASH Specialist P3/P4*
Crises:	Niger
Country and Duty Station:	Niamey Niger
Duration of assignment:	3 months
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What are the plans for this position post surge assignment (e.g. no needs after surge, will be nationalized, TA)	Should the cholera outbreak continue beyond three months, the section will recruit an individual consultant

2. **BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT:** *(please provide a summary of the emergency context and situation which has led to the justification of this role. Emergency Sit Rep's can provide helpful information here)*

Niger is facing multiple crises including displacement of person (IDP and refugee) due to conflicts, floods and risk of cholera outbreak. In fact, the recent flood reached a level not seen for over 10 years, with 710,767 people affected and 73,582 houses collapsed across the country as of September 4. This has led to an increase in gastroenteritis and other diarrhea diseases, with a strong suspicion of cholera outbreak, particularly in the hot spot areas. There is, therefore, a need for additional capacity in the form of a surge support in managing the anticipated cholera outbreak.

3. **TERMS OF REFERENCE (while the following information serves as a guide, please adapt and amend according to your context and needs).**

ROLE PURPOSE:

The main purpose of the surge support is to manage an integrated cholera emergency response with a focus on WASH programming to prevent and control outbreaks in hotspot areas.

Under the supervision and technical guidance of the Chief of WASH, the incumbent will be responsible for managing and coordinating the day-to-day activities of the response in collaboration with the WASH emergency focal point. This includes planning, implementing, and monitoring all WASH cholera response activities.

MAJOR DUTIES AND KEY RESPONSIBILITIES: *(The scope of the activities listed below may vary, depending on the length of the assignment and phase of the crisis. Please adapt the standard TOR if necessary).*

- Implementation of the cholera case-area targeted intervention (CATI) and cluster case targeted
- Provide WASH, including waste management, and Infection Prevention Control (IPC) emergency rapid assessment expertise in priority communities and health care facilities in affected or hight risk areas in the country.
- Evaluate gaps and needs and propose remedial actions to ensure minimum standards are respected in terms of WASH, IPC, and Water Quality.
- Provide on-site technical support/guidance and tools to improve the IPC practices and prevent transmission of infections.
- Support to implementing partners' WASH training needs and orientation to field response teams, including reviewing of monitoring tools for cholera response.
- Conduct site assessments and regular updates on the cholera situation to identify the needs for the response, including updates for the 5W matrix (the matrix plots *Who* is working *Where* on *What* activities; *When* and with *What* resources) and partner coverage maps.
- Safeguard and improve the public health of the affected population by ensuring access to safe drinking water and excreta disposal and promoting safe hygiene practices, ensuring overall efficiency, effectiveness and delivery of results following UNICEF's Core Commitment for Children in Emergencies (CCCs) and national and international humanitarian standards.
- Dissemination of cholera behavior change activities through various media in consultation with the Social and Behavior Change (SBC) section; and the health education unit of the Ministry of Health (MoH).
- Ensure cholera supplies are identified, procured, distributed and used effectively.
- Coordinate the response with local WASH authorities, as well as sub-national and national including attending coordination meetings on cholera response
- Provide periodic updates (including daily / weekly updates), situation reports (Sitreps) and final reports on the cholera response.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS (please adapt according to role/context needs0:

- Advanced university degree or equivalent experience in Environmental Public Health, Civil Engineering, Programme Communication, Mechanical Engineering, Geology, Hydrogeology, or Sanitation Engineering, or other related field.

- Experience: At least five (5) years of relevant experience, at the national and international levels, in the design and implementation of water and sanitation assessment and/or the design and management of related projects in emergency situations
- Solid experience in cholera response programmes is required.
- Background/familiarity with emergency (preparedness and response) is required and familiarity with the IASC cluster approach is an asset.
- Experience or a sound knowledge of UNICEF mandate and goals or in UN organizations/ agencies, WASH-IPC cluster/pilar partners, recognized humanitarian organizations, international institutions, or NGOs. Experience in emergencies whereby UN organizations/agencies operate in protracted emergencies.
- Experience working with government agencies, local authorities, international organizations, NGOs, and communities in the field of water, sanitation and participatory approaches in health and hygiene promotion is required.
- Fluency in French (verbal and written). Good written and spoken skills in the language of the humanitarian operation and knowledge of another UN language an asset.

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