



Questions and Answers

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Annexes	Annex A, Budget Template

- Question:** Our question relates to the expectation to translate and back translate the household survey questionnaire from English to Krio and vice versa. Is translation and back translation a must? Based on our experience, a core part of the training we offer to enumerators is dedicated to intense practice sessions in order to equip enumerators to interview in the local language using a questionnaire developed in English. We place emphasis on their ability for 'on the spot translation' because the majority of us (including myself and enumerators) are not able to read or write in the local languages. In our view, enumerators are more likely to make mistakes or struggle to formulate/convey a question developed in Krio for example. Perhaps the translation and back translation processes worked well for the baseline. It will be useful to share some lessons with us.

SI Response: Translation and backtranslation for the household survey are required as a quality assurance measure by both SI and MCC. This step ensures common agreement of the terminology that will be used in the field. During survey administration, enumerators will have the option to work from the English or Krio version of the questionnaire, per their comfort level, as long as they consistently refer to the Krio words identified during the translation and training process.

2. **Question:** As outlined in Section IV Personnel and Staffing Plan – “The Consultants should provide CVs for key personnel positions following the CV Form included in Section IVA of the RFP.” Can you kindly share the CV Form template?

SI Response: The text has been revised to: “The Consultants should provide CVs for key personnel positions.” There is no specified template for CV formatting as long as the CV length is within the page limit specified under the Submission Instructions.

3. **Question:** Should we submit both Technical and Financial proposal in a single mail or are we expected to send them in two separate mails?

SI Response: Both the Technical and Financial proposals should be submitted no later than 7th September 2022 by 5PM EDT. They should be submitted in a single email as separate documents. The Technical proposal should not include any Financial information. The subject line of the submission should be: “MCC Sierra Leone Threshold Program – RFP endline data collection proposal submission”.