## GoodWeave International Call for Consultant
## Research Advisor

for the project

*Documenting the Links Between Climate Impacts and Child and Forced Labor in Nepal: Assessment and Resiliency Strategies to Protect Vulnerable Communities*

### Purpose:

GoodWeave seeks to hire a Research Advisor specializing in migratory research to provide expertise and guidance in research design and data collection for the project "*Documenting the Links Between Climate Impacts and Child and Forced Labor in Nepal: Assessment and Resiliency Strategies to Protect Vulnerable Communities*" (hereafter "the Project").

### About GoodWeave

GoodWeave – a nonprofit organization founded in 1994 by Nobel laureate Kailash Satyarthi – is the leading global institution with a mission to end child labor, and forced and bonded labor, in global supply chains through a market-based holistic and authentic system. We bring visibility to global supply chains, provide assurance that certified products are free of child labor, and restore childhood to vulnerable children so they can laugh, learn, and play. In 25+ years of harnessing market power through its work with brands and exporters, GoodWeave has restored freedom to over 10,500 children and provided quality education to more than 96,000 children, positively impacting millions more children and workers. GoodWeave has expanded from carpets into the apparel, home textiles, fashion jewellery, bricks and tea sectors, where its reach and impact continue to grow.  GoodWeave is the leading voice influencing best practices in eliminating child labor from global supply chains.

### Project Description

The project aims to investigate potential links between climate impacts and incidence of child and forced labor in the bricks and carpet sectors in Nepal. Research through surveys, key informant interviews, and focus groups will be conducted in at least three districts: Sarlahi, Makawanpur, and the Kathmandu Valley.

Project objectives include:

1. Identify whether there is a link between climate change and a) vulnerability to child labor and/or forced labor and b) cases of child and/or forced labor in the carpet and brick sectors of Nepal.
2. Improve understanding of the nature of the link between climate change and forced and child labor in the carpet and brick sectors of Nepal.

3. Identify child-centered, worker-driven, and gender-sensitive pathways to increase the resiliency of local communities to climate change-induced vulnerability to child and/or forced labor.
4. Identify actions the Nepali government (state and local), local civil society organizations, and the private sector can take to reduce vulnerability of individuals in/from the target districts to child and/or forced labor.
5. Raise awareness of report findings with national and global governments, private sector players, academia, and relevant civil society actors with the goal of increasing protections from child and forced labor for the most vulnerable, climate-impacted communities in Nepal.

## Scope of Work

At the outset of this consultancy, GoodWeave and the consultant will review the scope of work describing the specific deliverables and deadlines and update the scope of work as necessary. Additional tasks may be agreed and added to this initial scope as follows:

1. Assist project team to identify the data needed to answer research questions, and how to gather and analyze that data;
2. Provide guidance on the research scope, target areas, topic covered and research instruments, in partnership with GoodWeave and project partners;
3. Contribute to the research framework as well as data collection tools to conduct an assessment on climate-induced migration, specifically in selected brick and carpet production areas in Nepal, and whether the climate-induced migration has contributed to child and forced labor.
4. Advise on ways to collect data in selected vulnerable communities;
5. Advise on researcher training;
6. Review aggregated data analysis performed by project data and provide advice on key findings, credible claims specific to climate and child or forced labor, and recommendations on resiliency strategies.
7. Provide input and review the final project research report.

**Estimated level of effort:** 10-12 days, over 12 months

## Qualifications

- Advanced degree in Sociology/Development Studies or another relevant field from a recognized university with good academic records.
- Minimum of 15 years of relevant research experience, especially in migration, climate-related migration, climate resiliency, climate-linked impacts, child labor, forced labor (please list projects or tasks that are relevant in your cover letter or clearly highlight them in your CV when applying).
- Strong analysis background including attribution studies, correlation analysis, econometric modeling.
- Experience working in Nepal and with vulnerable communities.
- Excellent knowledge of digital data collection tools and analysis.
- Excellent report writing skills with advanced analysis.
- Expertise in mixed-method, quantitative and qualitative research methodologies and tools.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English.

**Budget**
Competitive compensation based on experience.

**<u>To Apply</u>**

Please submit an expression of interest addressed to the Senior Monitoring, Evaluation, Research and Learning Manager, Personnel@GoodWeave.org by April 20, 2024. The expression should include key qualifications and relevant experience. Submission should include a cover letter, detailed CV or resume outlining relevant background and experience, including at least 2 samples of previous research and a budget proposal.

Consultants should declare all potential conflicts of interest. All information exchanged during the contract will be confidential as per GoodWeave's confidentiality policy.