

Consultancy Announcement:

Regional Technical and Policy Consultant(s)

Post Title: Regional Technical and Policy Consultant(s)

Project Title: Reducing uses and releases of chemicals of concern, including POPs, in the textiles sector (GEF ID 10523)

Executing Agency: Basel and Stockholm Conventions Regional Centre for Southeast Asia (BSCRC-SEA) and Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)

Estimated Duration: May 2026-July 2027

Location:

Introduction

The objective of this consultancy announcement is to inform the opening of a post of Lead Policy Consultant(s) to undertake and conduct the project as aforementioned above.

The project is funded by the Global Environment Facility (GEF) with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) as the GEF Implementing Agency and Basel and Stockholm Conventions Regional Centre for Southeast Asia (BSCRC-SEA) and the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) as the Executing Agencies. The project is implemented in Bangladesh, Indonesia, Pakistan, and Viet Nam.

The objective of this project is significant and documented reductions in use, releases, and exposure to chemicals of concern (CoCs) including POPs in the textiles sector in selected countries (Bangladesh, Indonesia, Pakistan, and Viet Nam).

The project consists of the four following components:

Component 1: Information sharing and chemical management pilots on priority CoCs including POPs in textiles facilities

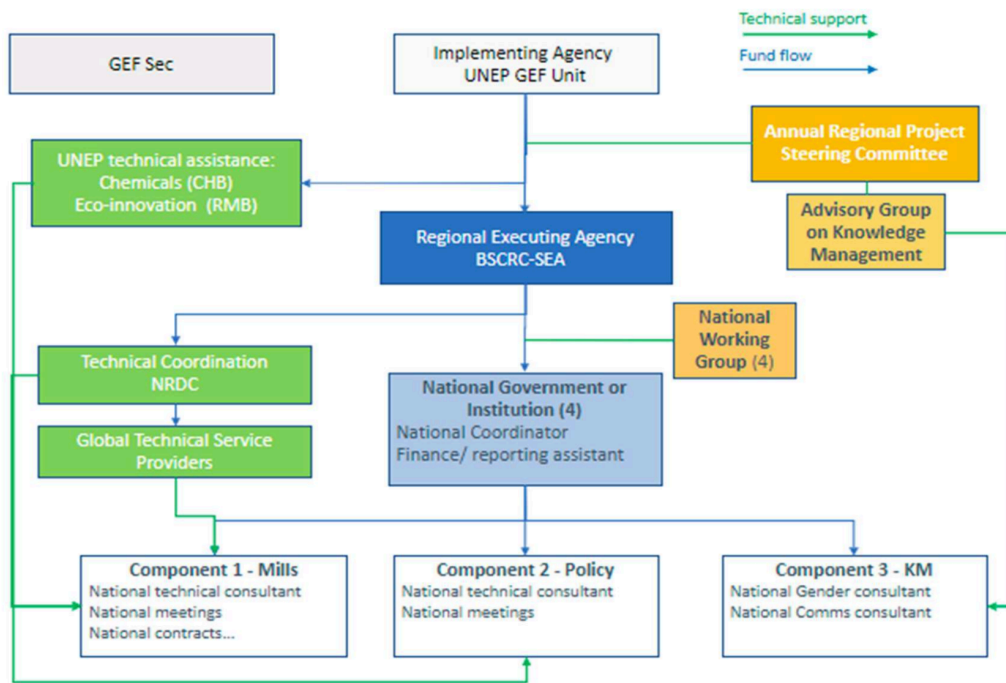
Component 2: Eco-innovative strategies towards a non-toxic and circular textiles' economy

Component 3: Knowledge management for scaling up

Component 4: Monitoring and Evaluation

Below is the organogram of the whole project showing all involved in the development of this project. The Lead Legal or Technical Consultant(s) will be supervised by the National Government or Institution (National Focal Point), the National Project Coordinator and the Regional Executing Agency (EA). The Lead Legal or Technical Consultant(s) will also be supervised by the project technical coordinator and will be supported by other National Experts and technical experts.

Project Organogram



Scope of Work

Task 1. Lead in developing regional Best Available Technology (BAT) Guidance

- Facilitate data collection trainings for technology assessment and document development for developing BAT guidance; and present BAT Guidance for PFAS-free finishes
- Facilitate training on BRS compliance requirements, BAT development under Stockholm convention, and chemical management in the textile sector; present on BAT Regional Guidance progresses

- Lead regional guidance on developing BAT guideline for chemical management in wet-processing mills, with focus on POPs and PFAS use
- Provide technical support in developing Vietnam's best practices and technical guideline for SMEs (wet-processing mills) to implement COCs/POPs control in global supply chain, including evaluation and assessment against international experiences included in the regional BAT guidance

Task 2. Support in connecting project learning and experiences with global stakeholders

- Convert program resources—including research results, achievements, case studies and learnings, as well as other outcome—into awareness raising and capacity building materials
- Publish and share the materials with policy makers and industry stakeholders globally via internet and global events (including international meetings like Global Framework on Chemicals (GFC) and other industry events)
- Share external resources with project stakeholders (including methodologies, impacts, and experiences achieved by other initiatives and coalitions)

Task 3. Provide technical supports to policy development

- Support review of roadmap development for Project Priority Countries including Bangladesh, Indonesia, Pakistan and Vietnam
- Facilitate/contribute to policy calls per project needs
- Support in developing/enhancing country regulations, policies, and/or implementation strategies to transition the textile sector from the use of POPs and CoC
- Develop training materials on enforcement strategy training for government officials; develop materials for government reporting system training for private sector
- Facilitate and contribute to project meetings (including to technical, policy and annual project steering committee meetings)

Deliverables

| Item No. | Deliverables | Timeline |
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| 1 | Best Available Technologies guideline on chemical management and PFAS phaseout in textile wet-processing mills. | By December 31, 2026 |

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| 2 | Comments and technical support to national policy development/modification in project priority countries | Follow national project timelines |
| 3 | Monthly meeting reports | Within 1 week post meetings with national teams |
| 4 | Represent the project and present in various global and regional meetings and events | Various (both virtual and in-person meetings) |
| 5 | Participate and contribute to project meetings | Various (both virtual and in-person meetings) |

Qualification

- Advanced University Degree in one of the following: Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Environmental Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Textile Studies/Engineering, Public Policy or related fields.
- Minimum 10 years of experience in the fields of chemical management in products and productions.
- Experience in the textile sector is an advantage.
- Previous experience of working on project funded by international organizations.
- Strong communication skills, and ability to liaise with various stakeholders, including government officials.
- Full English language proficiency (ability to read, write and communicate verbally at a professional level)

Please submit your Financial Proposals, CVs, and applications to:
info@popsfreetextiles.org on or before 27th of April, 2026.