1. Background Information:

After years of a relative absence of armed conflict since the 2014 hostilities, there has been a sharp deterioration in the humanitarian, human rights, security and political situation in the Gaza Strip in 2018. Since late March 2018, thousands of Palestinians have participated in the weekly Great March of Return (GMR) demonstrations in the vicinity of Israel’s perimeter fence between the Gaza Strip and Israel, calling for the Palestinian right of return and the ending of the Israeli blockade.

The health system, on the verge of collapse following years of blockade and de-development, is now overburdened with massive casualties from the ongoing “Great March of Return” demonstrations. Between 30th of March 2019 till end of October 2019, 228 Palestinians, including 43 children have been killed by Israeli forces in the GMR demonstrations and other circumstances. Over 24,000 have been wounded, more than double the toll of the 2014 hostilities, including 2,274 children and over 5,800 Palestinians injured by live ammunition.

The population of Gaza reached to 1.94M due to registered Palestine refugees which represents the 970 percent of this population. This enormous rise in population and casualties is overwhelming Gaza’s health sector, already buffeted by the longstanding restrictions on the movement of people and goods, the deepening intra-Palestinian political divide, an energy crisis, inconsistent payment of medical personnel, and shortages in medicines and disposables.

A three yearlong Palestine Gaza Humanitarian Assistance Program (2018 – 2021) aims to create an environment in which more vulnerable, at-risk and under-served populations can access quality health services, support and strengthen technical management and capacities of service providers, through the engagement of the local NGOs /CSOs community.

2. Purpose:

The main purpose of the baseline survey is to collect a set of basic data and information relating specifically to the program outcomes;

I. Ensured secure access to medical and health service
II. Improved the quality of medical and health services
III. Strengthened self-preparedness to cope with crises and threats
IV. Strengthened networks of communities and resilience in the medical and health sectors.

The baseline survey also aims to provide JPF partners a clear understanding of the health sector situation in the targeted areas in Gaza in order to implement an effective and targeted health focus projects.

3. Scope of Services:

The baseline report is to be used for monitoring and evaluation benchmark of the JPF funded projects. Details of JPF funded projects can be found at Annex 3 and Annex 4 Project Summary Documents as part of the Tender Dossier. Prior to the start of data collection for baseline, the contractor will closely collaborate with JPF to develop tools, field visit protocols, data presentation and reporting formats. JPF will provide the contractor with relevant documentation including JPF funded, approved project documents.

The selected service provider is expected to be competent on conducting baseline survey and should agree on the baseline survey framework and tasks. The service provider is expected;
• To conduct a review of project documentation and other relevant documentation to understand and clarify the baseline survey objectives.
• To conduct a comprehensive research on the targeted health sector by reviewing already published reports and identifying key actors
• To develop a baseline survey design and methodology based on the reviewed project documentation and research on the health sector which includes indicators and sample size
• To develop a work-time plan
• To develop tools for data collection
• To have technical, experienced, trained and well-organized team to design baseline questionnaire, collect and analyze the data
• To conduct a training for surveyors
• To have permission and documentation to access to the target locations to conduct household surveys and FGDs
• To submit a baseline survey report according to the findings and agreed standards
• To provide debriefing presentation on the findings and recommendations of the baseline report to JPF and partner NGOs

4. Expected Outputs and Deliverables:

Please see TPM Tender Dossier clause 4 for details of expected outputs and deliverables.

5. Required Information and Documents for The Proposal:

It is expected from the bidder to provide minimum, below mentioned information and documents at the Baseline Survey Proposal;

• Proposed Baseline Survey Design and Methodology
• Proposed work-time plan
• Sampling methodology and proposed sampling size
• Proposed number of Key Informant Interview and methodology
• Proposed number of Focus Group Discussions and methodology including target groups