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Establishment and Registration Criteria

These procedures are prepared in light of the Law on Non-Governmental Organizations and for the purpose of instructing domestic and foreign organizations how to prepare and complete the registration documentation, standardized forms, and statute for internal governance, and for the purpose of guiding the organizations through the establishment and registration process.

(1) The domestic and foreign non-governmental organizations shall submit a formal application for re-registration to the Ministry of Economy.
(2) Organizations shall accurately complete the application form in one or more of the official languages of the country.
(3) Organizations shall have a specific name, symbol, logo and address and use them in their activities.
(4) Organizations shall prepare and submit their organizational structures which include the founders and the board of directors.
(5) Organizations shall prepare and submit their work plan and proposed projects.
(6) Organizations shall specify and explain the privileges extended to their employees, relating to salary, retirement benefits and other privileges contained in their signed contracts.
(7) Organizations shall read and sign the prepared agreement.
(8) Organizations shall submit the list of their key staff (name, father’s name, profession, ID or passport Number) during the registration process.
(9) Organizations shall submit the list of office equipment, project machinery and vehicles in detail (make, model, engine number, and license plate).
(10) Organizations shall submit the receipt proving payment of registration fee from the bank.
(11) The re-registered organizations shall submit the previous year’s activity reports, along with the list of implemented projects
(12) In recruiting experts and advisors, organizations shall give priority to Afghan nationals.
(13) In funding decisions, donors shall consider the qualification of the organization without discrimination between domestic and foreign organizations.
(14) Newly established organizations shall not use the name and logo of other organizations or dissolved organizations or private, international or governmental companies.
(15) Organizations shall not choose more than two work areas.
(16) Organizations shall not use in their professional activities the certificate and diploma of a person not involved in the project.
(17) A person hired by one organization may not simultaneously be employed by another organization.
(18) Organizations shall not recruit government employees during official business hours.
(19) Organizations may not hire their permanent employees without a contract and for less than one year.
(20) Organizations shall not perform their activities in the capital of the provinces without a signed contract, protocol, or agreement.
(21) As implementers of the projects, organizations shall not conclude contracts with other contractors for performing the project activities.
(22) Organizations shall not register the gifts, equipment or vehicles that are donated to the organizations in the name of the officers or employees of the organizations.

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