

ADROIT SNAPSOLUTIONS SERVICE PACKAGE

Rapid Needs & Context Assessment (RNCA)

Rapid Needs & Context Assessment (RNCA) delivers fast, reliable, and actionable insights on urgent needs and contexts. It supports evidence-based decisions for emergency response, planning, and funding, offering a clear snapshot of needs across key sectors—grounded in social, economic, and environmental realities.

What You Gain

- Rapid, evidence-based decisions using validated field data
- Accurate targeting of acute needs and vulnerable groups
- Context-sensitive insights into hazards, coping mechanisms, and access
- Actionable reports combining quantitative and qualitative findings
- Evidence packages that accelerate donor confidence and rapid mobilization

Service Category	Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning (MEL)
Delivery Format	Hybrid: Remote + Field (CAPI/CATI/Key Informants/Short FGDs) with geo-enabled evidence
Ideal Use Cases	• Emergency response and initial humanitarian assessments • Inception of new grants or geographic expansions • Program start-up in new or unstable areas • Pre-proposal situational analysis and stakeholder mapping • Validation of secondary data or initial rapid reports • Identification and profiling of vulnerable or hard-to-reach populations • Donor concept notes requiring rapid, defensible context analysis
Scope of Work	• Deploy trained field teams with technical and logistical support • Review and analyze secondary data before fieldwork • Collect primary data using surveys, KIIs, FGDs, and observation • Use KoBo/ODK tools with GPS, media uploads, and real-time sync • Cover key sectors: shelter, WASH, food, health, protection, livelihoods, education, markets • Analyze social dynamics, displacement, hazards, infrastructure, coping strategies • Ensure multi-level quality checks and central audits • Validate and synthesize primary and secondary datasets • Deliver analytical reporting on needs, vulnerabilities, and recommended actions

Tools Used	• KoBoToolbox • ODK • SurveyCTO • Power BI • Excel • QGIS / ArcGIS • NVivo / Atlas.ti • HDX • ReliefWeb • ACLED • IPC datasets • XLSForm • Shared drives • Version control systems
Delivery Process	1. Compile and analyze demographic, socio-economic, and hazard data to frame context 2. Co-design tools with clients, embedding validation rules and indicators 3. Train enumerators on ethics, safeguarding, and sensitivity; pilot test tools 4. Deploy mobile surveys with GPS and media uploads, ensuring real-time oversight 5. Apply daily supervisor checks, audits, and automated quality flags 6. Conduct statistical and thematic analyses for clean datasets and reports
Deliverables	• Clean and validated datasets (SPSS / Excel / STATA) • Analytical report (30–50 pages) detailing needs, context, and recommendations • Summary slides and infographics for stakeholders or donors • Translation (English, Dari, Pashto, etc.) • Optional interactive dashboard and validation briefings
Add-On Services	• Power BI dashboard with live filters (district, sector, severity) • Risk & access analysis matrix with mitigation measures • Translation services (Dari, Pashto, English) • Donor presentation slides • Proposal support (ToC, logframe, indicators, budget notes)
Sample Size	KIIs: 25–120 FGDs: 4–20 HH surveys: 120–600 Markets: 8–30

Duration	5–30 days (Rapid: 5–7 days; Standard: 10–15 days; Expanded: 3–4 weeks)
Staff Time	Field deployment teams mobilized within 72 hours in priority areas
Geographic Coverage	
Pricing Structure (Individual)	Rapid Package: from USD 1,900 (one province, summary report + slides)
Pricing Structure (Organization)	Standard Package: from USD 4,900 (multi-district, full report + datasets + maps)
Pricing Logic	Fixed base (coordination, design, QA) + variable costs (sample size, sectors, geography, dashboards)
Team Composition	• Team Lead – Research & Analysis • Assessment Coordinator(s) – Field logistics and QA • Sector Analysts – FSL, WASH, Health, Protection, Education, Livelihoods • Data Analyst & GIS/IM Officer • Safeguarding & QA Focal Points • Enumerators/Facilitators – Gender-balanced, multilingual local teams
Key Considerations	• Requires full logistical deployment for on-site data collection • Upholds ethical standards – consent, data privacy, protection • Encourages coordination with local authorities for acceptance • Complementary with existing assessments and program planning
Lead Consultant Profile	Led by a Senior Research & Analysis Specialist with 10+ years of experience in conflict and post-disaster settings across Afghanistan and the region. Expert in mixed-methods research, conflict sensitivity, and ethical humanitarian data collection frameworks.

Past Experience

BBC Media Action - Darman Radio Survey	Reviewed and revised survey tools ahead of pilot, improving logic and minimizing skip errors. Delivered annotated files and memo in 3 days. Learn More
MMC's Returnee Reintegration Study	Delivered a full mixed-method research design covering socio-economic, psychosocial, and protection indicators across five provinces. Design used to shape implementation benchmarks across five provinces. Learn More

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