Q1. Does award of the formative research grant preclude one from applying for any eventual evaluation grant to measure performance of the phase 2 implementation projects?

A1. No. Whether an organisation is awarded the formative research grant will not affect the status of application for phase 2.

Q2. Who was awarded the formative research grants in Kenya?

A2. You can see the awards information on our website: http://www.3ieimpact.org/en/funding/thematic-window/thematic-window-hiv/thematic-window-2-awards-winners/

Q3. What were the budgets for the formative research grants in Kenya?

A3: The Kenya formative research studies were a bit different in scope (although several were able to answer more than one question). The grant amounts ranged from US$74,000 to US$165,000.

Q4. What is the budget range 3ie is anticipating in response to this solicitation?

A4. There is no set budget range. The applications will be judged on a best value basis. We will look at each application to determine

- **Best value**: How does the cost/value compare to other applications?
- **Value for money**: Is the scope of the study worth the total cost? and
- **Cost reasonableness**: Are the inputs appropriate and appropriately priced?

Q5. If we were to be successful in our application and selected to conduct phase 1 formative research on self-testing in Zambia, would that in any way affect our eligibility to apply for a phase 2 grant on pilot programme interventions and evaluations?

A5. See answer to question 1.

Q6. You state that there will be no actual use of self-tests. Are we correct in assuming that you do not want any accuracy studies in this part of the call?

A6. Yes.
Q7. While we understand that the proposals will be assessed on a “best value” basis there must be a range or upper limit of cost that would be considered. Can you share this with us?

A7. See answer to question 4.