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QUESTION and ANSWER

The question (Q) and answer (A) below is responding to the incoming question of the Request For Proposal No. RFP-OPRA-24-013 Consultancy for developing business strategies and community action plans for six plastics collection networks established by USAID Ocean Plastics Reduction Activity together with Ceylon Cold Stores Pvt. Ltd. and Viridis Pvt. Ltd.

1. Q) One of the main key areas of consultant is to develop community action plans for recyclable waste management for each location. This involves participatory workshop with all local stakeholders. These workshops have a cost, and do I have the privilege to reimburse such cost items?
   A) RTI can arrange the logistics of the stakeholder workshops directly.

2. Q) May I know what the functionalist at existing Material Recovery Facilities(MRFs) are? What happens to the collected plastic waste at MRFs? I am very happy to provide you with a circular economy business case for collected plastics at MRFs
   A) MRFs will do segregation, color separation and baling. Right now the Collection Networks/MRFs sell their collected plastics in a loose form to a recycler in Colombo. We very much welcome circular options for higher value addition.