

**Request for Expressions of Interest
(Consulting Services - Firm Selection, International)**

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Country : Bangladesh
Name of the Project : Bangladesh Municipal Water Supply and Sanitation Project (30 Pourashavas)
Loan/ Credit No. : IDA Credit No. 6437-BD and AIIB Loan No. 0068-A
Assignment Title : Feasibility study for the implementation of Water Supply and Sanitation Schemes under proposed Municipal Water Supply and Sanitation Project
Reference No. : BMWSSP/SD - 16

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GOB) has received funds from the World Bank [with co-financing from Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)] towards the Bangladesh Municipal Water Supply and Sanitation Project (30 Pourashavas) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Department of Public Health Engineering (DPHE), under the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Co-operatives, Government of Bangladesh intends to apply a portion of said credit to hire a qualified firm to assist DPHE in conducting a feasibility study, detailed engineering design with a cost estimate, and preparation of bidding document for implementation of water supply and sanitation services in the selected 30 municipalities.

The scope of work of the firm includes but not limited to the following:

(a) Selection Stage

- Prepare report on the Screening process and final recommendation of thirty Pourashavas with detailed justification for selection

(b) Feasibility Stage (Water Supply)

- Existing Situation Analysis
- Population and Water Demand Projection
- Identification of Water Sources
- Selection and Finalization of Infrastructure (components) for Water Supply System
- Detail Hydraulic Design and Preliminary Costing
- Service Delivery Option
- Financial Analysis
- Environmental and Social Safeguards Assessment
- Stakeholder consultation
- Prepare Feasibility Report focusing on technically, environmentally, socially and economically viable of the water supply project.

(c) Detailed Project Report Stage (Water Supply)

- Engineering Surveys
- Detailed Engineering Design
- Network Design
- Detail Engineering Drawing

- Detail Cost Estimate
- Detail Implementation Plan
- Engagement of Private Operator
- Detailed Project Report (DPR)
- Bid documents for thirty schemes

(d) Feasibility of Sanitation Facilities

- Household sanitation improvements

(e) Feasibility Studies on Storm Water Drainage Development Works

- Assess the present drainage situation
- Identify the future requirements
- Suggestion for improvement of the drainage network

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: (www.dphe.gov.bd) or can be obtained at the address given below. The duration of the Consultancy services shall be 25 months or project closing date or credit/loan closing date, whichever comes earlier. The assignment is expected to commence on Jan 2024.

DPHE now invites eligible Consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The short-listing criteria are:

- a) The firm must have proven experiences in planning, designing and preparation of the schemes in any development field.
- b) Experience in similar assignments of compatible size, complexity and technical specialty in the required area which includes WASH related infrastructures/activities, preparation of detailed (hydraulic and structural) design, assessment of the urban sanitation issues, preparation of urban Sanitation Improvement Plan, preparation of drainage master plan etc. International experience and experience in development partner-financed contracts will be considered an advantage.
- c) Firm's financial soundness, in-house staffing resources with relevant expertise (extent of relevant expertise available among the staff who are on the firm's regular payroll). However, CVs of individual staff will not be evaluated in the EOI/shortlisting stage.

Consultants are requested to submit at least the following supporting documents in support of the above-mentioned criteria: (a) **The Firm's Incorporation/Trade/registration documents from the country of the firm** Registration documents from the country of the firm; (b) JV agreement/letter of intent (if applicable); (c) Firm's brochure; (d) Audited financial reports for last 3 years; (e) list of the firm's in-house/regular staff with relevant expertise (f) description of experience of similar assignments (including nature, scope of services, contract amount, name of employer, **period of contract (date of contract signing to date of completion)** funding agency(s), location /country of service etc.)

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (Fourth Edition, November 2020) ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. The qualifications of sub-consultants will not be considered in the EOI evaluation and Shortlisting process. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected, and it is preferable to limit the maximum number of JV partners to 03 (three) including the Lead Firm. In the case of an association (JV or Sub-consultancy), **the Consultants must explain in the EOI submission (a) the rationale for forming the association and (b) the anticipated role and relevant qualifications of each member of the Joint Venture and/or of each sub-consultant for carrying out the assignment, to justify the proposed inclusion of the JV members and/or sub-consultants in the association. Failure to provide the above explanation in the Expression of Interest may risk the association not being shortlisted for the assignment.**

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A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (i.e. 0900 to 1600 hours) local time.

The Expressions of interest (EOI) must be delivered in written form in hard copies (one original and two copies) to the address below in person, or by mail or by email by 15.00 local time (GMT+ 6 hours) on or before 03 August, 2023. In addition to that, softcopy of EOI will require to be submitted in CD/DVD or flash drive or through email.

A handwritten signature in black ink, followed by the date '16/07/2023' written in a similar style.

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