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Request for Expression of Interest (Consulting Services – Firms Selection)

Country : India
Name of Project : Bihar Kosi Basin Development Project
Loan No. : Cr. 5696-IN
Assignment : Internal Audit for the financial year 2020-21 & 2021-22

The Government of India has received a credit from the International Development Association (IDA) towards the cost of Bihar Kosi Basin Development Project (BKBDP) (Credit 5696-IN). The Bihar Aapda Punarwas Evam Punarnirman Society (BAPEPS), a Society established by the Government of Bihar (GoB) and registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 acting as a State Project Management Unit (SPMU) is presently Implementing BKBDP in five districts of Bihar viz. Araria, Madhepura, Purnia, Saharsa and Supaul through its implementing agencies namely Bihar Rajya Pul Nirman Nigam Ltd. (BRPNL), Rural Works Department (RWD), Water Resources Department (WRD) and Animal & Fisheries Resources Department. BAPEPS intends to engage the services of a Chartered Accountant firm for Internal Audit of BAPEPS & Project Implementing Agencies for BKBDP for the year FY 2020-21 & 2021-22 extendable up to another one year based on satisfactory performance & mutual consent.

The Chartered Accountant firm as Internal audit firm will look into the Project Internal Audit and provide its professional opinion as independent auditors on the matters of Project fund utilization, eligible expenditure for financing of the projects, IUFs submitted are in agreements with the books of accounts & Procurements done are as per World Bank (WB) norms. It will also insure that the internal financial control under the Project is taken care of as per WB norms as laid down in the approved financial manual for the Project.

The Project Director, BAPEPS, now invites eligible consulting firms i.e. Chartered Accountants ("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 eligibility criteria are: The firm must (a) be empanelled with Comptroller & Auditor General of India (C&AG) for audit of major PSUs; (b) have at least 10 years of existence as a practicing firm including experience in Internal Audit; (c) have at least 5 full time Partners with at least 2 being fellow CAs (as per ICAI's certificate as on 1.1.2019); (d) have the strength of 15 full time Qualified/Audit staffs (e) have a minimum average annual turnover of Rs. 50 Lakh (INR Rupees Fifty Lacs) in the immediately preceding 3 (three) financial years (turnover should be net of GST); (f) have at least 3 (three) years' experience in audit assignments in Social / Rural Externally Aided Projects / Centrally Sponsored Schemes. Preference will be given to those firms who have carried out Internal Audits of Govt./Corporate entities in Civil Construction Sector having a turnover of Rs. 25 crores or more in the immediately preceding 3 (three) financial years.

Expression of Interest shall provide abridged CVs of the proposed team members, their previous experience in similar type of assignment with relevant supporting document and the financial statement of the organization through last 3 years balance sheets.

The Consultants can download the Draft ToR and format for furnishing the above information from www.bapeps.in and can obtain further information at the address given below between 10:00 to 17:00 hrs. on working days.

Interested firms must provide details that meet the criteria above, such as organizational profile, its structure, details of qualifications, experience and number of key staff appropriate for the assignment and documentary proof substantiating the credentials claimed. Short listing will be done strictly on the basis of the information provided.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of The World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers (January 2011 – Revised July 2014) (“Consultant Guidelines”) setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS)** set out in Consultants Guidelines.

Expression of Interest, titled as "Expression of Interest for Internal Audit for the financial year 2020-21 & 2021-22", must be delivered, in written form (in person, or by mail or by e-mail) to the following address up to dated 23-06-2020 till 15:30 hrs.

To,
The Project Director,
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