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Request for Expression of Interest for providing Consultancy Services for Financial Management Support Consultant under Bihar Kosi Basin Development Project

Country : India
Name of Project : Bihar Kosi Basin Development Project
Loan No. : Cr. 5696-IN
Assignment : Providing Consultancy Services for Financial Management Support Consultant (FMSC)

The Government of India has received a credit of US \$ 250 Million from the International Development Association (IDA) towards the cost of the 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), Department of Agriculture and Animal and Fisheries Resources Department. BAPEPS intends to engage the services of a Financial Management Support Consultancy firm for BAPEPS that includes to provide the necessary operation and technical support to the project financial staff to ensure that the financial management aspects of BKBDP could be achieved (detailed scope of work is provided in Terms of Reference available on the website). The time period for the said assignment will be for two years i.e. for FY 2019-20 and 2020-21 extendable up to another one year based on satisfactory performance & mutual consent.

The Project Director, BAPEPS, now invites eligible consulting firms i.e. Chartered Accountants ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services.

The short-listing eligibility criteria are: The firm must (a) be empanelled with Comptroller & Auditor General of India (C&AG); (b) have at least 10 years of existence as a practicing firm and have at least 3 (three) years' experience in Procurement/Financial Management Support Consultancy; (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 Accounting/Audit staffs (e) have a minimum average annual turnover of Rs. 1 Crore (INR One Crore) in the immediately preceding 3 (three) financial years (turnover should be net of GST); (f) have at least 2 (two) years' experience in Procurement/Financial Management Support Consultancy work in Government & Public sector entity. Preference will be given to those firms who have additional experience of providing Procurement/Financial Management Support Consultancy in externally aided projects funded by World Bank/ADB etc.

Interested consultants should provide the following information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services:

- a) Name, address, facsimile number, e-mail ID and website address.
- b) Year-wise annual turnover of the firm for the last three years (along with documentary evidence)
- c) Organizational Profile and Organizational Structure
- d) Details of qualifications, experience and number of key staff appropriate for the assignment and documentary proof substantiating the credentials claimed (short CVs of proposed key staff).
- e) Details of similar assignments undertaken for Public Sector/Government organizations.
- f) Details of experience of working with externally funded projects e.g. World Bank, ADB etc of similar nature.

The main objective of the services is to assist the BAPEPS in discharging its financial management functions satisfactorily as per agreed procedures and provisions of the Project Legal Agreements, the Financial, Procurement & Operation Manual as approved by the World Bank and to ensure that financial management activities in the project are carried out in accordance with agreed provisions between the Government of Bihar and IDA.

The Consultants can download the Draft ToR 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.

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 & Cost Based Selection Method (QCBS)** set out in Consultants Guidelines.

Expression of Interest, titled as "Expression of Interest for providing Consultancy Services for Financial Management Support Consultant under Bihar Kosi Basin Development Project for the financial year 2019-20 & 2020-21", must be delivered, in written form (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) to the following address up to dated 25-02-2019 till 15:30 hrs.

To,
The Project Director,
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