REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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INDIA World Bank & Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank Assisted 'West Bengal Major Irrigation and Flood Management Project (WBMIFMP)'

Assignment Title: Selection of Consultancy firm for “Project Management Consultant (PMC) for West Bengal Major Irrigation and Flood Management Project (WBMIFMP)” in the State of West Bengal in India.

This Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared in UNDB on line on 03.12.2018.

The Government of West Bengal (GOWB) has requested a loan from the World Bank and from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) towards the cost of the 'West Bengal Major Irrigation and Flood Management Project (WBMIFMP)', and intends to apply a part of the proceeds of this loan to pay for Consultancy Services.

The objective of this consultancy is to efficiently manage the project through assistance to SPMU, DPMUs and DPIUs as well of the Client (IWD) and to the Client such that envisaged activities of the project are completed within agreed timelines, within budgeted costs and in full compliance with the Financing Agreement of the Project with the World Bank and in adherence to all applicable safeguard policies, including the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP), Acts, Rules and Regulations. The objective is also to achieve agreed-upon project monitoring indicators within the stipulated time frame.

The scope of the services to be undertaken shall include engagement of a group of expert and other personnel as per the list shown in below:

A. Key Experts.
   1. Team Leader – 1 No.
   2. Deputy Team Leader and QA/QC Engineer Civil – 1 No.
4. Senior Social Development & Gender Specialist – 1 No.
5. Procurement Specialist – 2 Nos.
6. Pressurized Irrigation Specialist – 1 No.
7. Senior MIS Specialist / Developer – 1 No.
8. Institutional Development Co-Ordinator & Training Manager – 1 No.
9. Construction Manager (Civil) – 8 Nos.
10. Monitoring and evaluation (M&E) specialist – 1 No.

B : Other Non-Key Experts / Personnel
1. QA/QC Expert Mechanical & Electrical – 1 No.
3. MIS Specialist – 1 No.
4. Senior MIS Manager – 2 Nos.
5. MIS Manager – 4 Nos.
6. SCADA Specialist – 1 No.
8. RS-GIS Expert – 1 No.
9. Legal Aid & Conflict Resolution Specialist – 1 No.
10. Construction Manager (Mechanical & Electrical) – 1 No.
11. Site Engineer (Civil) – 16 Nos.
12. Site Engineer (Mechanical & Electrical) – 2 Nos.
15. Auto CAD Expert – 1 No.
16. MIS Assistant – 7 Nos.

The Terms of Reference (ToR) for Consultancy Services for Project Management Consultant (PMC) for West Bengal Major Irrigation and Flood Management Project (WBMIFMP) is available in the website www.wbiwd.gov.in in the link “WBMIFMP”.

The Chief Engineer & Project Director, State Project Management Unit (WBFIMP) of Irrigation & Waterways Directorate in the Government of West Bengal now invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consulting firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services.

The short-listing criteria’s are:

i. The Firm should have at least ten years’ experience in the business of providing Consultancy services Project Management Consultancy or similar, at the national or state level in India and abroad in World Bank assisted Projects or other State / Central / Multilateral Financial Institutions funded projects. It is desirable to have at least one of the assignments during last ten years in World Bank funded Projects. Experience in projects related to infrastructure development will be considered in general, but preference would be given to experience as Project Management Consultancy or similar undertaken for major irrigation / water resources / flood management projects. (The Consultant should provide a brief description of the organization including ownership details date and place of incorporation of the Firm,
objectives of the Firm, and details of relevant/similar assignments undertaken during the last ten years).

Total point under this criterion is 35; the firm with experience in maximum number of projects will get full marks, while marks to other firms will be assigned on pro-rata basis.

ii. The Firm should have completed at least three such assignment including Project Management Consultancy or similar Supervision and monitoring of Works, General Project Management, Environmental Management, Resettlement Plans (RP), Grievance Redressal Mechanism (GRM), etc, with at least one project supported by the World Bank during last ten years, preferably relating to major irrigation / water resources / flood management, in India for Central /State Government. (The Consultant should provide a copy of the letter of Award of Contract from the Client, brief scope of assignment and documentary evidence of its completion in last ten years).

(Total point for this criterion is 30; the firm completed in maximum number of projects will get full marks, while marks to other firms will be assigned on pro-rata basis.)

iii. The preferred experience for Team Leader is at least 15 years’ experience in management of projects, preferably in water resource sector in a wide variety of countries. One of his /her assignment should be in World Bank funded project in the capacity of a Team Leader/Deputy Team Leader. Familiarity with computer application and software would be preferred. The Firm is also required to engage other experts required for the assignment. (A list of personnel including the Team Leader with other relevant experts, and their specific experience with qualification in brief of all may be given. Bio-data / CV need not be provided at this stage). (Total point for this criterion is 20).

iv. The Firm must have achieved a minimum annual turnover of INR170 million or (approximately US$ 2394367) in any one of the last three completed financial years.(The Consultant should provide copies of the Audited Financial Reports of last three completed financial years).

(Total point for this criterion is 15, and the firm with highest turnover will get the full marks, while marks to other firms will be assigned on pro-rata basis).

Short listing of Consultants will be done, based on their relative ranking determined after evaluation of the experience and qualifications claimed by them, on the basis of the documents furnished with the Expression of Interest, following the ‘Selection Procedures for Consulting Firms’, specified in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016 Revised November 2017 and August 2018).

The attention of interested Firms is drawn to paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of section III of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016 Revised November 2017 and August 2018), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a “Joint Venture” or “Sub-Consultancy” to enhance their qualification. The kind of association shall be explicitly stated.
A Consultant will finally be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” (July 2016 Revised November 2017 and August 2018).

Further information can be obtained at the address below from 10:30 hours up to 17:30 hours (IST) except on the State Government’s declared holidays.

Expression of Interest (EOI) with the accompanying information must be delivered in the written form (with seven hard copies) in a sealed envelope addressed to the Chief Engineer & Project Director, State Project Management Unit (WBMIFMP) of Irrigation & Waterways Directorate by 16.00 hours (IST) of 06.02.2019, at the address below:

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Important Note: No Proposals (Technical or Financial) are required now. On the basis of information provided by interested consulting firms, the Authority will prepare a shortlist of firms who will be invited to submit detailed proposals in the RFP.

Chief Engineer & Project Director State Project
Management Unit (WBMIFMP)
Irrigation & Waterways Directorate