

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

Country: PAKISTAN

Project Name: Project Readiness Financing (PRF) for Punjab Water Resources Management (PWRM)

Consulting Service: Consulting Service for Detailed Design for Irrigation Canal and Link Canal Projects

Deadline for submission: **February 27, 2020 (by 14:00 hrs local time)**

Implementing Agency: Punjab Irrigation Department (represented by Head/ Project Director, Project Management Office (PMO) for Punjab Barrages, Irrigation Department, Lahore, Pakistan)

The Islamic Republic of Pakistan has applied for financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of Project Readiness Financing (PRF) for Punjab Water Resources Management (PWRM). The project aims at providing high project preparation readiness for the selected four priority canal projects; viz (i) Remodeling and Upgrading of Dera Ghazi Khan Canal System; (ii) Rehabilitation and Upgrading of Upper Jhelum Canal System; (iii) Greater Thal Canal (Phase-III) Project (Dhingana Branch System, Noorpur Branch System and Mahmood Sub-Branch System); and (iv) Remodeling of Rasul-Qadirabad, Qadirabad-Balliki and Balloki-Sulemanki Link Canals Project. This financing will be used for procurement of above consulting services. The overall estimated duration of consulting services will be about thirty-six (36) months.

The general scope of consulting services for the assignment will include but not limited to:

- reviewing and revising the feasibility studies and making up their deficiencies to ensure the efficacy and compliance with funding agency's requirements;
- preparing detailed engineering design of all priority projects; and
- providing other project readiness support including preparation of procurement documents and PC-Is for all priority projects.

The Project Management Office (PMO) for Punjab Barrages, on behalf of Punjab Irrigation Department, Government of the Punjab, invites eligible, experienced consulting firms from the ADB member countries to express their interest in providing the required consulting services. For preparation of EOI, ADB's template must be used, which can be downloaded from <http://www.adb.org/sites/default/files/page/83267/eoi-consulting-firms-20131114.doc>

The Request for EOI along with TOR for consulting services and Summary Evaluation Sheet (SES) containing the evaluation criteria and marking system is available on the PMO for Punjab Barrages website: www.pmo-punjab.gop.pk

Interested consulting firms having sufficient experience and desirous of undertaking the assignment should submit the EOI along with the following information in English language stating background of their organization and professional experts:

- 1) Name, address, telephone and fax numbers and e-mail address of consultants;
- 2) Ownership and organizational structure of the consultants;
- 3) The Consultants (Single firm/ JV/ Association) shall provide maximum ten (10) most relevant/ similar assignments covering preparation/ updating feasibility studies, detailed design and procurement documents; substantially completed during the last 10 years indicating (i) project cost and the cost of consultancy services; (ii) share of assignment in case of JV/ Association; (iii) key staff time input; (iv) description of the nature and scope of services performed; and (v) role of the firm as lead firm/ JV Partner/ Sub-consultant (SC);

(In case of JV/ Association, the lead firm shall provide maximum five (05) and each JV Partner maximum three (03) most relevant/ similar assignments as per detail given in item (3) above;

- 4) List and provide short CVs of Senior key relevant experts permanently employed with the firm;
- 5) National tax number;
- 6) Certificate of incorporation/ constitution of the firm as legal entity;
- 7) Registration of firm with relevant professional body of the respective country of origin;
- 8) Undertaking on a legal format/ affidavit that the firm has not been sanctioned or declared ineligible by ADB or blacklisted by any Government/ Semi Government Organization

Consultants are requested to provide only that material which is specific to the proposed services and avoid submitting generic promotional literature.

The Consultants key expert team is assumed to comprise both international and national experts. The consultant's assignment envisages time input of 183 person-months of key experts (international experts: 15 person-months and national experts: 168 person-months) as per detail given in the TOR.

The deadline for receipt of EOI is **February 27, 2020 (by 14:00 hrs local time)**. This will be an Open Competitive Bidding (OCB). The consultants will be selected internationally in accordance with the procedures set out in the Asian Development Bank's Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time) following Full Technical Proposal (FTP) and Quality and Cost Based Selection – QCBS (90:10) method. The firm securing a minimum of 65% marks shall be eligible for placing on the Shortlist. The shortlisted firm having the highest aggregate score after adding technical and financial scores will be invited to negotiate the contract.

Expression of Interest may also be delivered by electronic mail and by post (off-line) at the address given below by not later than the submission deadline. The interested firms should note that EA / PMO will not accept EOI that is not in the ADB's Standard EOI Format and secondly, EOI submission by on-line through ADB CMS is the main submission method; off-line is an option. The Executing Agency (EA) reserves the right to: (i) reject any or all EOI submissions and cancel this recruitment process at any time and interested firms are responsible for all costs incurred arising out of, or in relation to, this request; and (ii) amend or withdraw the terms of reference, budget, this request for EOI, and all attachments at any time.

The consulting firms may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications. Only firms that have been shortlisted will be subsequently invited to submit technical and financial proposals on the prescribed "Request for Proposal (RFP)". The names and addresses of shortlisted firms will be posted on the ADB's and PMO, Punjab Barrages websites.

Interested firms are advised to address their submissions and enquiries to the following address:

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