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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Local Government Engineering Department Program for Supporting Rural Bridges (SupRB) Agargaon, Sher-E-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka-1207 www.lged.gov.bd

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Date: 11/01/2024

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI)

for

Procurement Specialist

Name of Project: Program for Supporting Rural Bridges (SupRB)

Credit No: 6332-BD, Program ID: P161928

Assignment Title: Procurement Specialist

Package no: SupRB/SD 9-R

The People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost for the **Program for Supporting Rural Bridges (SupRB)**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Responsibilities/ Accountabilities of Procurement Consultant includes, but not limited to, the following:

- Monitoring and updating the procurement plan on a continuous basis.
- Preparing Procurement documents (Request for Expressions of Interest, Request for Proposal/bidding documents etc.) working in collaboration with technical staff, consultants, and Project Director (PD)/Deputy Project Director (DPD) of the project.
- Participating in pre-bid/pre-proposal bid meetings and bid/proposal opening meetings.
- Participating as member of the bid/proposal evaluation committee in evaluation of bids/proposals including following up with Technical Evaluation Committees, compiling and consolidating bid/proposal evaluation reports prepared by the bid evaluation committee before submission to the approving authorities.
- Monitoring the procurement processes to ensure compliance with the approved procurement plan and preparing procurement progress reports on the progress of each procurement package, identifying any bottlenecks and recommending measures for resolution. Submitting monthly, semi-annual, and annual progress reports and other required reports for the Government,
- Guiding and advising the concerned government officials involved with procurement in ensuring that all procurement financed under the SupRB project is carried out according to the applicable World Bank Procurement Regulations.
- Reviewing and anticipating potential issues on procurement or any other issues and bringing to the attention of the PD
 - Monitoring and keeping track of the deliverables during implementation of goods/works/consultant contracts.
- Building capacity and transferring knowledge to GoB and local staff on procurement by providing regular structured/classroom and hands-on/practical training to a specified number of government staff to be designated by LGED, with the objective that the specified staff acquire adequate procurement knowledge and hands-on experience to be able to independently carry out the routine procurement tasks by the end of the consultant's contract.
- Participating in meetings and committees related to the project and delivering opinion and making decisions (where applicable)
 - Any other task assigned by the project management

Deliverables

The key deliverables of the PC will be:

- Complete and regularly updated Procurement Plans.
- Procurement and contract documents (REOI, RFQ, RFP, bidding documents, Contracts etc.)
- Training program and material for procurement training of specified number of government staff designated by LGED, quarterly reports on the trainings provided by the consultant and the learning progress of each staff. Consultant's performance at the end of the contract will include an assessment of the knowledge and capability of the designated government officials for independently carrying out the routine procurement tasks by the end of the consultant's contract.
- Monthly, semi- annual, and annual procurement progress reports based on format to be agreed with LGED in consultation World Bank.
- Quarterly Monitoring reports of deliverables of works, goods and consulting services contracts (progress, quality, completion etc.)
- Procurement documentation and records are systematically maintained so as to be readily available for review and audit.



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The Consultants services will be commenced by March 2024 and duration is about 16 (sixteen) months. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained from <u>www.lged.gov.bd</u> or can be obtained at the address given below.

The Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) now invites eligible Individual Consultant ("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 shortlisting criteria are:

Educational Qualifications:

- At least Bachelors in Engineering, or Masters in procurement/commerce/business management or other relevant fields.
- Professional certifications/degree in Procurement and contract management from any recognized institution will be given preference.

Experience:

- At least total 12 (Twelve) years experience in carrying out public Procurement with primary responsibilities and substantial content of his/her position in practical application of internationally accepted procurement and contracting procedures and documents for works, goods and services
- Of which at least 05 (Five) years experience in managing internationally competitive procurement of large scale and complex civil works under projects funded by multilateral organizations such as ADB/AIIB and particularly World Bank.
- Hands-on experience in managing all steps in the procurement process, including procurement planning, preparation of bidding/contract documents, bid/proposal evaluation, contract award and implementation monitoring, of internationally competitive procurement of goods, works and consultant services.
- understanding of Government's procurement Rule/Act;
- analytical capability in identifying and resolving procurement issues
- Strong coordination and communications skills in presenting, discussing and resolving difficult issues.
- Ability to work efficiently and effectively in a multidisciplinary team.
- Excellent computer skills.
- Excellent English writing and speaking ability
- During the term of the contract the consultant shall not be associated with any other Government agency, consulting firm or private business entities

The Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) now invites eligible Applicants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Applicants are invited to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (complete CV with other details and expected remuneration).

A Consultant will be selected through the 'Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants' method in accordance with World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016, Revised September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations").

The Procurement Regulations can be viewed at the World Bank's external website: <u>https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/1783315330658711950290022020/original/ProcurementRegulations.pdf</u> The attention of interested Consultants is drawn in particular to:

- Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the Procurement Regulations setting forth the World Bank's policy on Conflict of Interest, and
- (ii) Section III, paragraphs, 3.21-3.24 of the Procurement Regulations setting forth the World Bank's policy on Eligibility, including the specific pre-requisite conditions to be met for the eligibility, on exceptional basis, of Government officials and civil servants of the Borrower's country under consulting contracts in the Borrower's country.

Individuals who are currently working as procurement consultants on another World Bank-financed project may also compete in this selection process, but if they are selected they will be required before signing the proposed contract to provide documentary evidence of having satisfactorily complied with their existing contract's requirements with respect to early termination of the contract by the consultant, including advance notice period, to avoid disruption in implementation of that project.

Interested Applicants may obtain the Terms of Reference (TOR) upon request from the address provided below either by e-mail or in person during the office hours. The TOR is also available at the LGED website

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail) by 31st January upto 12:00 PM (Bangladesh Standard Time).

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- 2. Director General, CPTU, IMED, Planning Commission, Agargaon, Sher-E-Bangla Nagar, Dhaka. He is requested to publish the EOI in CPTU website.
- 3. Additional Chief Engineer (Implementation/Planning/Urban Management/IWRM), LGED, Dhaka.
- 4. Superintending Engineer (ICT), LGED. He is requested to publish the EOI in LGED website.
- 6. Mr. / M/S.