



“শেখ হাসিনার মূলনীতি
গ্রাম শহরের উন্নতি”

Memo No. : 46.02.0000.796.11.16.2022/2108

Date : 26/09/2022.

Subject: Improving Urban Governance and Infrastructure Program (IUGIP)- Request for Expression of Interest (EoI) from Consulting Firms for Independent Verification of Disbursement Link Indicators (IVDLI) Consultancy Services.

(Selection Number : 182154 Package Number : IUGIP/IVDLI/03/2022)

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh will receive a loan towards the cost of the Improving Urban Governance and Infrastructure Program (IUGIP) from Asian Development Bank (ADB) and Agence Francaise De Development (AFD). It is expected that the fund or loan will be received from ADB and AFD for the 50 target Pourashavas (PSs), for enhancing the scope of the Pourashavas. The project is going to launch implementation activities in July 2023 and planned to be implemented over a period of 6 (six) years with ending in June, 2029.

The Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) under the Local Government Division (LGD) of the Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives (MLGRD&C) is going to initiate advance procurement action under approval and guidance of development partners. The LGED intends to apply the loan proceeds for the **Independent Verification of Disbursement Link Indicators (IVDLI)** Consultancy Services to be provided by the consulting firm(s). IVDLI Consultancy Services package will involve 100 person-months of key experts, 40 person-months of non-key experts and 288 person-months of support staffs. Major objectives of IVDLI Consultancy Services are- to act as an Independent Verification Agency (IVA) to conduct verification of compliance of selected DLI's as well as other non-DLI's and related indicators under the IUGIP. The consulting team will be headed by a Team Leader supported by other key, non-key experts and support staffs.

1. The scope of the IVDLI Consultancy Services will include tasks related to management support and tasks related to DLI's under the IUGIP. The DLI's are the basis for disbursing financing. Progress towards the outcome and outputs will be tracked through 16 indicators, comprising 12 DLI's those are linked to disbursements. The consultants from the IVA will verification of selected DLI's and non-DLI. The IVA will agree with LGED/ADB on the methodology (in line with the verification protocols), tools, techniques, resources, and timing of work under the assignment. Depending on the indicator to be verified, the consultants may have to review documents at home office, inspect sites in the field, conduct small surveys, and hold focus group and consultations with relevant stakeholders. The consultant will be responsible for (i) preparing verification reports in accordance with the Verification Protocol; (ii) certifying the achievement of Disbursement Link Indicators (DLI's) during each Assessment Period; and (iii) furnish such verification reports to the Program Management Unit (PMU) and the Development Partners (ADB & AFD). Detail scope of consultancy services are mentioned in the Term of Reference (ToR);
2. LGED now invites eligible consulting firm(s) to submit their Expression of Interest (EoI) for providing the required services;
3. The consulting firm(s) should be nationally reputed and may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications. No firm should form more than one association or joint venture (JV). If a firm submits more than one EoI forming more than one JV/association, all EoIs submitted by forming JV/association with that firm and also EoI submitted by that firm will be rejected;
4. In addition to eligibility requirements, the short listing shall be carried out using the following criteria corresponding to the three major criteria in the ADB's EoI template:
 - a. Management Competence;
 - b. Technical Competence;
 - c. Geographical Competence;
5. Only EoI's submitted electronically through ADB website using ADB template will be evaluated. EoI submitted using other than ADB templates will not be evaluated;
6. Interested consulting firms are requested to submit Expression of Interest (EoI) electronically, using standard EoI template available through ADB website (Consultant Management System) by 11:59 PM (Manila Local Time) and by 09:59 PM (Dhaka Local Time) on or before **31 October, 2022** through the link of www.cms.adb.org [Improving Urban Governance & Infrastructure Program (IUGIP), Package Number: IUGIP/IVDLI/03/2022] of Consultant Management System of ADB. Please note that only on-line submission of EoIs in ADB's CMS is allowed. All offline or manual EoI submission is not permissible and will not be considered;
7. The consulting firm shall be selected and engaged in accordance with the *Guidelines on the Use of Consultants by ADB and its Borrower* (March 2013, as updated from time to time). The Employer shall be using the Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method;
8. Only the short listed firms will be invited to submit Request for Proposal (RFQ) for Technical & Financial Proposals to be submitted later on. However, a shortlisted consulting firm will not be allowed to submit more than one proposal. If it is found that a shortlisted consulting firm submits more than one proposal as single firm or by forming JV/association with other shortlisted firms, all proposals involving that firm and also proposal submitted individually by



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that firm, will be rejected. Moreover, shortlisted firms will not be allowed to form JV/association with firms not shortlisted by Proposal Evaluation Committee (PEC) of LGED;

9. Under no circumstances will ADB or LGED, be responsible for any cost incurred in submission of the EoI. Interested consulting firm(s) is/are requested to submit relevant documentary evidences in support of their EoI submission;
10. Interested consulting firm(s) may obtain further information and Terms of Reference (ToR) from the ADB (Consultant Management System) website at www.cms.adb.org or from the office of the undersigned during office hours (08:00 AM - 03:00 PM) on all working days before deadline of submission. EoI notice will also be available at the following websites www.lged.gov.bd and www.cptu.gov.bd;
11. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EoIs received without assigning any reason thereof.

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1. Chief Engineer, Local Government Engineering Department (LGED), HQ, Dhaka.
2. Additional Chief Engineer (Implementation/Urban Management), LGED.
3. DG, CPTU, IMED. Please circulate the EoI Notice in CPTU website.
4. Superintending Engineer (Urban Planning and Urban Infrastructure Development), LGED.

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9. Section In charge, MIS/PU Unit, LGED HQ. Please upload the EoI notice in the LGED website.
10. Manager (Advertisement), The Daily New Nation / The Daily Amader Shomoy / The Daily Mukta Khabar. You are requested to publish this notice one time in one day in your daily newspaper on or before 29 September, 2022.
11. Notice Board, UGIIP-III, LGED, Agargaon, Dhaka.

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