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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh **Local Government Engineering Department**

Western Economic Corridor & Regional Enhancement Program (WeCARE) Phase-I: Rural Connectivity, Market and Logistic Infrastructure Improvement Project (RCMLIIP)

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Request for Expressions of Interest

(An Environmental and Social Consultancy Firm to prepare Environment and Social Assessment & Management Plans and Resettlement Actions Plans.)

Consulting Services – firms selection)

Bangladesh

Western Economic Corridor & Regional Enhancement Program (WeCARE) Phase-I

Assignment Title: An Environmental and Social Consultancy Firm to prepare Environment and Social Assessment & Management Plans and Resettlement Actions Plans.

Reference No.: SP-04

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Western Economic Corridor & Regional Enhancement Program (WeCARE) Phase-I and intends to apply part of the proceeds for Implementation Support to Environmental and Social Safeguard Consultancy Services. The broad scope of consulting services ("the Services") includes carrying out the following in the project influence areas of Jashore, Jhenaidah, Magura, Chaudanga, Satkhira, and Meherpur. The Objectives of this Consultancy would be to:

- a) Screen sub-projects; assess the potential E&S risks and impacts associated with the individual sub-project. Identify various categories of vulnerable and disadvantaged people to understand their concerns and incorporate in the designs.
- b) Conduct stakeholders' consultation based on the Stakeholder Engagement Plan prepared by LGED. Based on the site specific risk assessment as per guidance available of GoB and WB. Identify sub-projects with high or substantial risks and develop management plans.
- Propose arrangements for implementation and monitoring of the E&S Management Plan, grievance management systems. Provide support to technical Design or DPR Consultants in preparation and validation of standard bidding documents and provide support requested by the LGED -PIU.

The expected date for commencement of the services is July 2021 and the tentative duration of the entire assignment is about 30 (Thirty) months. A draft TOR can be found at the following website: (www.lged.gov.bd or can be obtained at the address given below).

The Local Government Engineering Department (LGED) under Local Government Division, Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives, Government of Bangladesh now invites eligible Consultancy 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 shortlisting criteria are:

- 1. Experience in the preparation of social and environmental safeguards of rural economic infrastructure i.e. rural roads, markets, logistics facilities
- 2. Experience in social and environmental surveys and studies required for the implementation of the projects.
- 3. Availability of appropriate skills among in-house staff; and
- 4. Experience in development partner's funded similar projects.



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The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to the Section III, Para 3.14,3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's" Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, July 2016 and updated in August 2018," setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultancy Firm may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a Joint Venture and/or a Sub-consultancy, In case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract if selected.

A Consultancy Firm will be selected in accordance with the Consultants' Qualification' Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (9:00 AM to 17:00 PM BST). Expression of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or e-mail) by 17:00 PM (BST), May 20, 2021.

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