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Notice Inviting Expression of Interest

Directorate of Tribal Welfare, Government of Tripura invites Expression of Interest (EOI) through e-Procurement Portal of Government of Tripura (<https://tripuratenders.gov.in>) from reputed Consulting Agency/Firm to prepare a comprehensive and practical Environment and Social Management Framework (ESMF) and related plans/frameworks to be applicable to all components, activities and sub-projects of Tripura Rural Economic Growth and Service Delivery Project (TRESP). Detailed EOI notice can be obtained from <https://tripuratenders.gov.in>. **Last Date of submission of the EOI : 30th July, 2022 at 1500 hours (IST).**


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GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA
TRIBAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Dated 14th July, 2022

Request for Expression of Interest (EoI)
(Consulting Services)

Country	India
Project	Tripura Rural Economic Growth and Service Delivery Project (TRESP)
Assignment title	Consulting services for preparation of Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) for TRESP
Reference no. (as per procurement Plan)	<u>IN-TWD-298773-CS-QCBS</u>

The Government of Tripura has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Tripura Rural Economic Growth and Service Delivery Project (TRESP) with a total budget outlay of approximately 175 million USD and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

TRESP is being developed as a multi-sectoral project that aims at improving economic opportunity, transport connectivity, as well as accessibility to essential social and economic amenities such as markets, schools and other services. In addition, the project will also support institutional development and state capability building for improved planning, service delivery and governance with emphasis on strengthening tribal councils in the state. While the primary focus will be on 12 aspirational blocks, project interventions are likely to cover additional tribal blocks. TRESP will be implemented by Tribal Welfare Department along with the state departments of rural development, agriculture, education and public works.

The proposed financing mechanism of the World Bank (Investment Project Financing) for TRESP requires the application of World Bank safeguard policies for the project. Environment and Social Framework (ESF) will apply to the project, along with the corporate priorities on gender, climate change and citizen's engagement. Given the social and environmental landscape, the Environment and Social Standards (ESS) related to biodiversity conservation, resource efficiency, indigenous peoples (scheduled tribes)/local communities, cultural heritage and stakeholder engagement will be applicable for this project.

In line with the requirements of Central and State governments laws and regulation and that of the World Bank's ESF and especially ESSs, the Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Tripura (GoT) proposes to engage a Consulting Firm to undertake environment and social assessment and prepare a comprehensive and practical Environment and Social Management Framework (ESMF) and related plans/frameworks that would be applicable to all components, activities and sub-projects of TRESP.

The consulting services ("the Services") includes, but not limited to:

1. conduct Environmental and Social assessment;
2. undertake Stakeholder Engagement; and
3. prepare Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) along with specific plans/frameworks that shall provide clear, comprehensive and practical guide to TRESP on

integrating an environmental and social due diligence process into the project implementation and ensure that TRESP interventions are environmentally and socially sound and sustainable.

The above assignment is required to be carried out in accordance with the of World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF) and the Environmental and Social Standards (ESS) applicable to TRESP

The Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Tripura 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 shortlisting criteria shall be

- a) Average Annual turnover (from consulting services) of the last five financial years i.e. from 2016 -2017 to 2020-21 shall be more than Rs. 2.0 crore.
- b) The consultancy firm shall have satisfactorily completed environment and social impact assessments and prepared environmental and social management frameworks/plans and resettlement action plans (RAPs) for atleast 2(two) road projects in different states. Experience in preparing ESA and ESMF in Education and Agriculture sector is desirable.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers for Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services dated July 1, 2016, revised in 2020 setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment under para 3.16-3.19 of the above Regulations.


The Firm will be selected in accordance with the **Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS)** method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of joint venture or a sub consultancy 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 the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

Further information can be obtained at the undersigned address below during office hours i.e. 1000 to 1700 hours Indian Standard Time (IST) on any working day before the last date of submission of EOIs.

Expressions of interest must be submitted Online through Website <https://tripuratenders.gov.in> 24 x 7 by 30th July, 2022 at 1500 hours (IST). The e-procurement website will not allow any consultant to attempt submission of EOI after the scheduled date and time.

Dated: - 14th July, 2022.


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