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Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for Senior Social Specialist (SSS) under PMU

Bangladesh

Coastal Embankment Improvement Project, Phase-1(CEIP-1)

Disaster Risk and Climate Change Unit

Sustainable Development Department

Senior Social Specialist (SSS) under PMU

(Contract Package No. CEIP-1/D1/S11)

Credit No-5280- BD

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The Government of Bangladesh (GOB) is expected to receive financing from International Development Association (IDA) to meet part of the cost of the CEIP-1. The Project would be implemented by the Ministry of Water Resources (MOWR), through the Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB). BWDB will set up a Project Management Unit (PMU) to oversee the development and execution of the project. The PMU will be led by a Project Director and will be located in BWDB's headquarters in Dhaka. The PMU will be assisted by a Construction Supervision Consultants; an M&E Consultants and experienced NGOs to implement the social afforestation, social action plan and resettlement action plan. The PMU will also appoint an Independent Panel of Expert (IPOE) to oversee the technical implementation of the project.

As part of the PMU, the BWDB plans to hire a highly qualified **Senior Social Specialist** with sound knowledge and expertise of (i) land acquisition in Bangladesh; (ii) management of social safeguards compliance issues in infrastructure projects under the World Bank Social Safeguards Operational Policies (OP 4.12 on Involuntary Resettlement and OP 4.10 on Indigenous Peoples); and (iii) social mobilization and participation in water management.

2. Key Functions of the Senior Social Specialist (SRS):

The overall responsibility of the Senior Social Specialist will be to assist the PMU in land acquisition process for selected polders, compensate affected persons, resettle rehabilitate them through preparation and implementation of Resettlement Action Plans, and supervise and monitor the social mobilization and participatory water management activities. The specific responsibilities of the specialist will be (a) Land Acquisition activities; (b) Social Impact Assessment and Resettlement Planning; (c) Implementation of RAPs and (d) Supervision of Social Mobilization and Participatory Water Management Activities.

Details of assignments are furnished in the Terms of Reference (TOR). Interested Applicant(s) may obtain TOR and further information from the office of the Project Coordinator as well as in the BWDB's official website:

www.bwdb.gov.bd.

3. **Qualifications and Experiences:**

The Senior Social Specialist should have Post-graduate qualification with about 10 years of work experience of which at least 5 years should be directly related to the relevant tasks of land acquisition and resettlement. The specialist must have demonstrated sound technical expertise in international good practices on social safeguards and have proven track record of providing social safeguard oversight functions. Knowledge of World Bank/ Asian Development Bank or similar development partners' processes and guidelines on social safeguards will be necessary. S/he must have excellent communication and writing skills with higher-level computer skills in Windows operating system (Word, Excel, Access, etc.) and other applications.

4. **Duration of the Assignment:**

Duration of the consultancy services would be for **36 months** (three years). However the performance for first year will determine the continuity of the contract for the remaining years. The Contract may be extended for subsequent 3 (three) years; based on project needs and subject to satisfactory performance of the assignment during the first three years.

5. **Selection Procedures:**

BWDB now seeks the application from eligible applicants to express their interest in providing services (complete CV with detail information about employment history with duties and responsibilities, current remuneration, academic details, major publication(if any), contract address including telephone number and e-mail). The consultants will be selected in accordance with World Bank Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by the World Bank Borrowers, [January 2011]. Applicants currently in government service in the client's country may apply only if they satisfy Paragraph 1.13 (d) of the Consultant Guidelines.

6. **Remuneration** : Negotiable

7. Expression of interest (hard copy) must be delivered to the address below by **May 15, 2014** in three sets (1 original + 2 copies) and clearly marked "**Expression of Interest**" for the "**Consultancy Services for Senior Social Specialist (SSS)**" under PMU, CEIP-I, (Contract Package No.CEIP-1/D1/S11). The applicant should also submit soft copy (PDF or other format) as well.

8. Interested Consultants may obtain further information at the address of the undersigned during normal office hours.

9. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the EOIs, or annul the process at any stage without assigning any reason(s) whatsoever and without incurring any liability to the affected applicant(s)

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