Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Ministry of Agriculture

Project Management Unit (PMU)

National Agricultural Technology Program- Phase II Project (NATP-2) AIC Bhaban, BARC Complex Farmgate, Dhaka-1215

Memo No. NATP-2/PMU-10/Individual Consultants/2016/82

Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI) for selection of 08 (eight) Individual Consultants

Date: 28-12-2016

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received credits from the International Development Association (IDA) (Credit No.5665-BD) and International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) (Credit No. 2000000721) towards the cost of National Agricultural Technology Program-Phase II Project (NATP-2) and intends to apply part of the proceeds to cover eligible payments under the contract for the provision of individual consultant services of 08 (eight) consultants for PMU of NATP-2 project

Position, qualification & experience, duration, and scope of work/duties and responsibilities of the positions are given below:

Sl. No.	Name of Position	Qualification & Experience	Scope of services / Duties and Responsibilities
1	ICT Specialist, PMU Position: 01 Duration: 72 man months or upto the project period whichever is earlier Service Package # SD/PMU/IC-07	 Academic: Master Degree in Computer Science/Computer Science and Engineering. Training on ICT/ MIS will be of added advantage b. Experience: Minimum 10 years work experience in ICT & MIS in any government / autonomous bodies/ private organizations; Minimum 5 years practical work experience in computer software and hardware operation and maintenance in any govt./ autonomous/private organization; Minimum 3 years work experience in donor funded/ Development projects in ICT establishment will have preference; High level of proficiency in written and spoken English and report writing Computer literacy skills (MS Word, Excel, and Power Point etc.) is essential. 	 Responsible to PD, PMU; Review the existing ICT facilities in BARC and NARIs, and DAE, DOF and DLS components; Identify the strength and weaknesses of the system and design appropriate program for strengthening ICT/ MIS activities in the project within DPP provision in consultation with the IT experts working in PIUs; Develop/procure appropriate software as perequirement of the project; Develop training program/module and facilitate training for ICT & MIS related personnel in association with T&CS Assist BARC in hiring suitable ICT service providers; Preparation of periodic and Annual report and DPP revision; Any other works as assigned by the PD.
2	Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist, PMU Position: 01 Duration: 72 man months or upto the project period whichever is earlier Service Package # SD/PMU/IC-09	 Minimum Master Degree in agricultural science/ economics/statistics or related fields b. Experience: Minimum 15 years work experience in planning and organizing monitoring & evaluation programs in government/autonomous/ private/international organization Minimum 3 years work experience in M&E and related activities in donor/IDA funded/ development projects Must have experience in preparing log-frame, output and outcomes indicators and monitoring format development and other strategic approach of M&E Should have experience in preparing Terms of Reference for hiring specialist and consultancy services Well experienced in Database Management and strong analytical skill; High level of proficiency in written and spoken English and report writing Computer literacy skills (MS Word, Excel, & Power Point etc.) is essential. 	 - Responsible to PD, PMU; - Develop and refine results frame work of the project activities; - Work closely with M&E Specialist of PIUs, ensure proper monitoring of project activities - Monitor regularly project inputs, output/outcome/impact; - Assists PD in hiring firm(s) for M&E/baseline/ midline/ end line studies/impact assessment; - Monitoring the field activities of hired M&E firm; - Facilitate training and workshop on M&E of PIUs and other stakeholders in association with T&CS - Preparation of Periodic and Annual Report and DPP revision; - Any other works as assigned by the PD

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3	Training & Communication Specialist, PMU Position: 01 Duration: 72 man months or upto the project period whichever is earlier Service Package # SD/PMU/IC-10)	 Academic: -Minimum Master Degree in any discipline of agricultural science or related field b. Experience: - Minimum 15 years work experience in Agricultural Research/Research Management, Extension, Training & Communication - Must have minimum 5 years work experience in planning, organizing & managing training and communication activities, workshop, and public awareness activities in any research/extension/university/private organization; - Minimum 3 years work experience in donor/IDA funded/Development projects; - High level of proficiency in written and spoken English and report writing ability - Computer literacy skills (MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint etc.) is desirable 	Responsible to PD, PMU; Prepare PMU training, workshop, study visit and public awareness plans and arrange their implementation; Organize need based short term specialized training program; Assists BARC in the implementation of international and in-country higher study (PhD) programs; Facilitate knowledge and technology based training, exposure visit, etc. for farmers, traders, entrepreneurs; Help PIUs in preparing training modules and maintain PIU wise database on training, higher studies, staff training and farmers training; Develop and implement public awareness program in cooperation with PIUs; Preparation of Periodic and Annual Report; Arrange dissemination technology information through print and electronic media including ICT; Facilitate, develop and implement public awareness/campaign programs on new technology, ideas, food safety, GAP, etc; Maintain NATP web site and publish program and progress of project activities in the NATP web site; Prepare training manual and technology hand book in cooperation with PIUs; Preparation of Periodic and Annual Report and DPP revision;
			Any other works as assigned by the PD.
4	Assistant Manager (Administration), PMU Position: 01 Duration: 72 man months or upto the project period whichever is earlier Service Package # SD/PMU/IC-11	 -Minimum Master Degree in any disciplines; - Educational qualification can be relaxed up to Bachelor degree in any discipline in case of highly experienced candidate. b. Experience: - Minimum 10 years work experience in administration, personnel management, office management in reputed national/international organizations; - Minimum 3 years work experience in administration in donor/IDA funded/development projects; - High level of proficiency in written and spoken English and report writing; - Computer literacy skills (MS Word, Excel, and Power Point etc.) is desirable. 	- Responsible to Project Director (PD), PMU and Project Management specialist;
5 & 6	Assistant Manager (Accounts), PMU Position: 02 Duration: 72 man months or or upto the project period whichever is earlier whichever is earlier Service Package # SD/PMU/IC-12	 a. Academic: M. Com./MBA in accounting/finance/related field b. Experience: Minimum10 years work experience in financial management in Govt/autonomous/NGO/private sector organization Work experience for 3 years in handling fund of donor/ IDA funded/ development projects Experience in preparing withdrawal application for submission to development partner(s) through client connection Knowledge in accounting software is 	 Responsible to PD, PMU and Manager (FM), PMU; Assists in budget preparation, disbursement of project funds to various agencies, components and PIUs; Prepare consolidated UFMR and submit to the World Bank; Monitoring of fund utilization; Receive SOE from PIUs and prepare withdrawal application for submission to the World Bank; Maintenance of cash, books and bank accounts Cash flow management; Assists in all functions of Manager (Financial Management);

		required - High level of proficiency in written and spoken English and report writing Computer literacy skills (MS Word, Excel, and Power Point etc.) is desirable.	 Assistance to external auditor and ensuring appropriate follow up of audit; Any other works as assigned by the PD.
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advantage;	- Any other works as assigned by the PD.
- Analytical report writing ability;	
- High level of proficiency in written and	
spoken English and report writing	
- Computer literacy skills (MS Word, Excel	,
and Power Point etc.) is desirable.	

Project Director, PMU, NATP-2 now invites eligible applicants to express their Interest (EOI) in providing the services. Applicants are advised to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (complete CV in prescribed format with other details as applicable). The Soft copies of TOR, application form and CV format are available in the websites of MOA: www.moa.gov.bd, BARC: www.barc.gov.bd. Detailed required academic qualification, experience and scope of work are given in TORs. The soft copy of TOR, application forms and CV format may also be obtained from the office mentioned above during office hours on all working days upto 24 January, 2017.

The individual consultants for the above mentioned positions will be selected following the method of Selection of Individual Consultant (SIC) of the World Bank Consultant Guidelines, 2014 and PPR 2008 whichever is applicable as per Project Implementation Manual (PIM) of NATP-2.

Duration of service contract with the successful applicants will be for the period as mentioned in the above table or upto the project period whichever is earlier. The contract will be renewed every year on satisfactory annual performance of the consultant.

Expression of Interest (EOI) one original & 02 (two) hard copies and soft copy must be submitted by the applicants on or before 26 January, 2017 by 1:00 pm in a sealed envelope delivered to PMU office above mentioned address and be clearly marked Expression of Interest for (name of the position). Only short listed candidates will be invited for interview.

Persons who are in service should submit application through proper channel.

The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs without showing any reason whatsoever.

Project Director
PMU, NATP-2 &

Joint Secretary (Research)
Ministry of Agriculture