

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
National Housing Authority
Pro-poor Slum Integration Project (PPSIP)
Grihayan Bhaban
82, Shegunbagicha, Dhaka-1000

Memo: NHA/PPSIP/2015-16/Procurement (firm)/04

Date: 10/08/2015

**Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) for
“Consulting Services for Community Mobilization, Design and Supervision for Community Housing
Up-gradation”**

Credit No Q8180-BD

1.	Ministry/Division	:	Ministry of Housing and Public Works
2.	Agency	:	National Housing Authority
3.	Procuring Entity Name	:	Project Director (Additional Secretary)
4.	Procuring Entity Code	:	Not used at present
5.	Procuring Entity District	:	Dhaka
6.	Expression of Interest for selection of	:	Consulting Firm
7.	EOI Ref No.	:	Memo: NHA/PPSIP/2015-16/Procurement (firm)/04
8.	Dated	:	10/08/2015
KEY INFORMATION			
9.	Procurement Sub-Method	:	Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS)
FUNDING INFORMATION			
10.	Budget and Source of Funds	:	Development Budget; Aid Grant/Credit
11.	Development Partners (if applicable)	:	World Bank
PARTICULAR INFORMATION			
12.	Project Code (if applicable)	:	Not Applicable
13.	Project Name	:	Pro-poor Slum Integration Project (PPSIP)
14.	EOI Closing Date & Time	:	17 September 2015 at 5.00 PM
INFORMATION FOR APPLICANT			
15.	Brief Description of the Assignment	:	<p>This request for expressions of interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project that appeared in UN Development Business online on 26 July, 2015. The People's Republic of Bangladesh has applied for a credit from the International Development Agency (IDA) in the amount of US\$50 million equivalent towards the cost of the Pro-poor Slum Integration Project (PPSIP) and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payment under the Contracts for “Consulting Services for Community Mobilization, Design and Supervision for Community Housing Up-gradation”.</p> <p>National Housing Authority (NHA) under the Ministry of Housing and Public Works provides affordable housing to the lower and middle income people of Bangladesh. The Government of Bangladesh wants to develop a mode of facilitating secure housing opportunities for residents of slums and informal settlements. To that end, a qualified consulting firm is being sought for community mobilization including design, and supervision of housing and other infrastructures in order to achieve transition to secure housing.</p> <p>The Pro-Poor Slums Integration will pilot a community based approach to housing and upgrading in low income and informal settlements in Bangladesh. The project provide a package of technical assistance, grants and loans to organized poor urban communities in designated municipalities in Bangladesh to secure tenure, upgrade and improve infrastructure, and improve or construct housing. This pilot program will advance a community based and city wide approach to improving low income areas and informal settlements, and assisting in their transition to secure housing. The consultancy services will focus on technical assistance and grants, and facilitate access to housing loans made available under the project.</p>

		<p>The main objective of the assignment is support the National Housing Authority in the implementation phase of the Project. The scope of services will include, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessments at the city level using a “city wide approach”, which includes engaging municipal governments and other stakeholders, reviewing settlement and vacant land maps, city wide information sessions for organized community groups, assessing broad land availability and ownership, screening existing settlements against eligibility criteria and developing eligible long list of communities; • Identification of interested and eligible settlements, developing further assessments of these communities against relevant land tenure, social development and cohesion, infrastructure feasibility, and household affordability metrics to develop shortlist of communities; • Assess underlying land tenure of shortlisted settlements and identify possibilities of securing tenure, • Develop community based plans for upgrading settlements and developing housing, including assessments of any connecting infrastructure to city-level connections, and ensuring full compatibility with urban master plans; • Coordinate closely with designated MFIs to assess affordability aspects of eligible settlements to upgrade , improve or construct housing in line with affordability • Construction supervision of infrastructure investments, working closely on site through community contracting, if required; • Ensuring full compliance with IDA’s Environment and Social Safeguards requirements, including the preparation of environmental and social assessments, of environmental and social impact assessment (EIA and SIA) and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) in line with NHA’s Environmental Management Framework (EMF) and Social Assessment and Social Management Framework (SMF) for the Project. • Establishing a project office at the city level as an Urban Resource Centre (URC) through which the Consultant will provide training and capacity building workshops, financial management planning, construction and building techniques, and information on low cost building standards, certification of local tradesmen, etc.
16.	Experience, Resources & Delivery Capacity Required	<p>: NHA invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing these services. The Consultants will be a reputable firm having similar experience in low cost participatory housing development sector, with an integrated inter-disciplinary team made up of urban development and social development experts, community minded architects & engineers, and with significant international experience to adequately guide the implementation process. Given the inter-disciplinary nature of the assignment, the Consultant should have strong experience in project management, and demonstrate previous experience and knowledge leading large, international and interdisciplinary teams.</p> <p>Interested consulting firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services. EOIs should include brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, summaries of firm’s capability, availability of appropriate skills among key staff with short biographies (one paragraph), availability of resources, and snapshots of relevant transactional experience. The EOIs would be reviewed on the basis of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Registration of firm. • Age of firm. • Availability of key professionals. • Availability of resources. • Experience of the firm in similar task. • Experience of the firm in other works. • Support services of the firm.
17.	Other Details	Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications, but should mention

		:	<p>whether the association is in the form of a “joint venture” or “sub-consultancy”. In the case of an association, all members of such “association” should have real and well defined inputs to the assignment and it is preferable to limit the total number of firms including their associates to maximum of four.</p> <p>The consultant will be selected under QCBS method in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank’s the “Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers” dated January 2011 revised July 2014 (Consultant Guidelines).</p> <p>Interested consultants may obtain additional information from the office at the address below during office hours i.e. 0900 to 1700 hours, Sunday to Thursday. A draft TOR can be downloaded from www.nha.gov.bd or collected from the address below.</p> <p>Expressions of interest (5 Hard copies + 1 soft copy) must be delivered to the address below by 17 September 2015.</p>		
18.	Association with foreign firm is	:	Encourage		
PROCURING ENTITY DETAILS					
19.	Name of Official Inviting EOI	:	Md. Sanwar Ali		
20.	Designation of Official Inviting EOI	:	Project Director (Additional Secretary) & Member (Engineering & Coordination)		
21.	Address of Official Inviting EOI	:	Project Director Pro-poor Slum Integration Project (PPSIP) Grihayan Bhaban 82, Shegunbagicha, Dhaka-1000		
22.	Contact details of Official Inviting EOI	:	Tel. No. (8802) 9569367	Fax No: (8802) 9511132	Email: se.planning_nha@yahoo.com
23.	The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the EOI's proceeding without assigning any reasons.				

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Copy for kind information and necessary action to:

1. Chairman, National Housing Authority, Dhaka.
2. Director General CPTU, IMED, Ministry of Planning, Agargaon, Sher-e-Banglanagar. Is requested to publish the notice in CPTU website within 13/08/2015.
3. The Editor, The Daily Star/ The Daily Ittefaq. Is requested to publish the notice in his daily one day in a minimum space at inner page dated on or within 13/08/2015.

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