REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION) (INTERNATIONAL)

COUNTRY: Bangladesh

NAME OF PROJECT: Livestock and Dairy Development Project

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: IDA6330BD

Assignment Title: Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Selection of Firms for Technical Assistance in Agro-Business Planning, Technologies and Marketing Advice and Implementation Support

Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): 33.01.0000.828.07.004 -183, Date-30/07/2019 (Package no. SD-67)

The Department of Livestock Services (DLS) under Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock through Government of Bangladesh financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Livestock and Dairy Development Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include

- Develop concept notes, inception report, technical assistance strategies and work plans after due consultation with LDDP project team and relevant stakeholders
- Prepare reports and recommendations such as technical assessment report, market analysis, business opportunities analysis, strategies for network of smallholder groups, reports of value chain analysis, business plans, upgrading/modernization plans, technology transfer and marketing strategy will be submitted as necessary
- Assist developing dairy hubs, milk and meat processing and other livestock businesses (goat, sheep and poultry) for sustainable development of the industry
- Capacity building of small holders and producer groups in livestock sector value chains (mainly the dairy, poultry, sheep & goat)
- Capacity building of national institutions on agribusiness development and management (DLS, NGOs, banks, academics, etc)
- Submit reports in English and Bangla both in hard and soft copy quarterly and annual basis

Estimated level of effort (professional staff-months):

Sl no.	Name of Post	Staff-months	Remarks
01	Team Leader and expert	36	
02	International Experts (2)	60	
03	Economists (Macroeconomic and Behavioural Economists)	36	, jt.
04	National Experts (8)	36	7.8

Implementation period: Upto 31 December 2023 or Project period

Expected start date of assignment: Nov'2019

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.dls.gov.bd (In LDDP of Service Box) or Iddp.portal.gov.bd

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can be obtained at the address given below.

The Livestock and Dairy Development Project now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

The firm/company

- 1. must have registration from authorized body or authority and properly constituted managing body with clearly defined rules and responsibilities for office bearers.
- 2. After awarding of Contract, consultants must have local office(s) in Dhaka and management set-up for the service wanted.
- 3. Must have capability of maintaining highest confidentiality and ability to comply with government/ world bank standards.
- 4. Must have ten years overall experience and must have five years specific experience from the date of publication of invitation for REOI.
- 5. The consultants should have relevant experienced of completion of at least Tk. 350 Million in two contract within last five (5) years. Preference will be given for working experience in Public/Semi government/Autonomous organizations.
- 6. Domestic preference is applicable according to PPR.
- 7. JV is acceptable.

The firm/company submitted the following documents (were relevant):

- 1) Company registration certificate;
- 2) Updated income tax return certificate & VAT certificate;
- 3) Bank solvency certificate; 4) Audit report of last fiscal year;
- 5) Experience certificate;
- 6) BASIS membership certificate and 7) Number of team members & their experiences

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

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The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 Revised Nov. 2017 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment.

Consultants 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 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.

A Consultants will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) (The consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the procedure set out The World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, July'2016 Revised Nov.'2017) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 09:00 AM to 05:00 PM.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by 27 August'2019.

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