

SELECTION OF CONSULTANTS BY THE BANK'S BORROWERS REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Pakistan

Sindh Agricultural Growth Project

Individual Consultant for the position of Procurement Specialist

- 1. This Request for Expressions of Interest follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in Development Business, issue no.WB5221-09/13 of September, 2013.
- 2. The Government of Sindh has applied for a credit from the International Development Association and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments under the contract for Sindh Agricultural Growth Project to perform the services of Procurement Specialist as Individual Consultant.
- 3. The consultant services of Procurement Specialist would include:
 - Overall procurement activities of Sindh Agricultural Growth Project (Agriculture Component) including Project Management Unit (PMU) and Project Implementation Units (PIUs).
 - Provide comprehensive procurement support including procurement planning and monitoring, preparation and release of bidding documents, EOIs, TORs, RFPs, etc. evaluation of bids, and preparation of contracts and overall guidance to all implementing agencies in complying with agreed procurement procedures.
 - Responsible for overall coordination of procurement activities and for the follow up of contract execution.
 - To work in close liaison with relevant department/regulatory authorities involved in various components of the project and ensure compliance with the World Bank Guidelines/Rules.
 - Communicate regularly with the management for the status of various procurements; obtain executive guidance and approval as and when required.
 - Ensure quality assurance of procurement deliverables as per Implementing Agencies requirements.
 - Develop appropriate procedures, controls, checks, rules, etc. preventing frauds, pilferage etc. in the procurement process.
- 4. The Government of Sindh, Agriculture Department now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the Services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).
- 5. Eligible candidates will have the following qualification and skills:-
- Advance degree or higher professional qualifications, preferably in Engineering, Supplies Management/ Procurement, Finance, Business or Commerce

- At least 05 years experience in procurement planning and management in the State/ Private Sector / International Organization (implementing or overseeing actual procurement processes in accordance with good public procurement practices, use of internationally accepted contract documents for works, goods and services).
- Thorough knowledge of administrative system and procedure of the Government of Pakistan and World Bank procurement guidelines
- Excellent written and oral communication skills in English Language Strong computer skills, especially in the use of MS Word, Power Point and Excel.
 - Having age limit from 25 to 40 years.
- 6. A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out the World Bank's <u>Guidelines:</u> <u>Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers</u> (Jan 2011).
- 7. Interested consultants may send their CVs at the address given below.
- 8. Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by no later than October 22, 2013.

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