

Japan's PM to order new economic stimulus as early as November

The government last Wednesday said economic activity likely stopped contracting in August.



A black and white photograph of Prime Minister Shinzo Abe of Japan. He is standing behind a podium, speaking into a microphone. He is wearing a dark suit, a white shirt, and a light-colored tie. On the podium, there is a circular seal of the Prime Minister of Japan, which features a paulownia flower and the text "Prime Minister of Japan" and "日本国". The background is dark and out of focus.


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Amazon pitches early holiday shopping with fall 'Prime Day' event

A report by news site Reveal said the week around last year's Prime Day

"The safety of our employees is our top priority," it said in a statement.

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Date: October 12, 2020

Request for Expressions of Interest (Consulting Services - Firms Selection)

Country: Bangladesh
Name of the Project: Sustainable Forests & Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project
Credit No: 6325-BD
Assignment Title: Elephant Conservation & Human Elephant Conflict Resolution
Reference No. Package No: SUFAL/SD-40

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the **Sustainable Forests & Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project** and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include Elephant Conservation & Human Elephant Conflict Resolution. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment and soft copy of Prescribed Format for submission of Expression of Interest can be found at the following website: www.bforest.gov.bd or can be obtained at the address given below:

The Bangladesh Forest Department (BFD) now invites eligible firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information on Prescribed Format issued with this REOI demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- General Experience of the Firm (core business and years in business).
- Specific Experience in similar assignment;
- Experience of working under donor funded projects will be added advantage;
- Firm's relevant organizational capabilities (Managerial, Financial and Logistics) for the assignment.

Key experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

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 November 2017) ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

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. It is preferable to limit the maximum number of joint venture partners in 03 (three) including the lead partner.

Although the lead firm in the joint venture will provide the core expertise, each partner of the JV has to be reasonably qualified to take over the responsibilities and role of any of the partners that may fail to perform or withdraws.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant's Qualification Based Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 9:00 to 5:00 hours (BST). Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **October 28, 2020** up to 3.00pm (BST).

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