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Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for selection of Consulting Firm (National)

During the current financial year (2015-2016) Implementation Monitoring and Evaluation Division (IMED) has received fund from the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GOB) and intends to apply this fund for carrying out impact evaluation studies of some completed projects mentioned below by engaging Consulting Firms (National).

Name of the Project with details	Objectives of current assignment
<p>Serial No. 1. "Muhuri-Kahua Flood Control, Drainage and Irrigation Project (Revised)" Implementation Period: 2004-2012 Cost: TK. 13929.39 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Ministry of Water Resources, Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB). Project Location: Feni</p>	<p>a) To observe and comment on the present functional status of major items of work in the areas (Embankment & water control structures, rubber dam, development of irrigation canals, irrigation inlets etc.) to be selected for survey. b) To assess the socio-economic and environmental impacts associated with irrigation schemes and identify major problems and constraints of irrigation development.</p>
<p>Serial No- 2. "Support to ICT Task Force Programme (SICT)" Implementation Period: 2002-2012 Cost: Tk. 10158.00 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Planning Division, Ministry of Planning. Project Location: Dhaka, Jamalpur, Sherpur, Comilla.</p>	<p>a) To observe and comment on the present functional status of major items of work in the areas (Information and Communication Technology Related) to be selected for survey. b) To assess the present condition of implementing of different sub projects/pilot projects as per decision of ICT Task Force, quality of the Training Manual, Teaching Manual and Class Notes. c) To assess the present condition of implemented ICT related integrated programs</p>
<p>Serial No- 3. "Road Network Improvement and Maintenance Project-II (RNIMP-II)" Implementation Period: 2004-2013 Cost: TK. 98034.00 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Road Transport and Highways Division, Ministry of Road Transport and Bridges, Roads and Highways Department. Project Location: Mymensingh, Kishoregonj, Dinajpur, Panchagarh, Nilphamari and Chittagong.</p>	<p>a) To observe and comment on the present functional status of major items of work in the areas (Road Improvement, Routine and Periodic Maintenance, Road Safety Works etc.) to be selected for survey. b) To assess impact of development of various road infrastructure on road safety, employment creation, agriculture production (irrigation, drainage, flood control) and related commercial activities and overall socioeconomic benefits and poverty reduction of the community of the project areas.</p>
<p>Serial No- 4. "Local Governance Support Project (LGSP)" Implementation Period: 2008-2013 Cost: TK. 1500.00 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Local Government Division. Project Location: All Union Parishads (UPs) of Bangladesh.</p>	<p>a) To assess the impacts of training and community participation. b) To assess the poverty reduction by institutionalizing and capacity building through fiscal transfer. c) To assess the mode of local revenue mobilization, and improvement of accountability and monitoring. d) To assess impact governance support service system on improving the socio-economic condition of project area.</p>
<p>Serial No- 5. "Electrification of 165 Nos. BOP of Border Guard Bangladesh By Solar Power System." Implementation Period: 2011-2012 Cost: TK. 2922.62 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Ministry of Home Affairs /Border Guard Bangladesh. Project Location: List 165 of BOP/Camps of Border Guard Bangladesh.</p>	<p>a) To review the present functional status of major outputs in the sampled areas and reason for any deviation and bottlenecks. b) To review whether procurement and installation of all types of machineries, equipments and materials are done as per specification in the sampled Solar Power Systems to a total 165 Nos. of BOP. c) To review whether connection of solar power system to the targeted rooms were done as per plan and scheduled time. d) To assess impact of solar panel system connection on improving the socio-economic condition country in general. e) To assess smooth functioning of electronic and tele-communication equipments in the BOP/ Camps. f) To enhance the capacity of BGB people because counterparts are getting better facilities or advantages from electrical resources.</p>
<p>Serial No- 6. "Establishment of 10 Textile Vocational Institutes." Implementation Period: 2006-2014 Cost: TK. 7306.00 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Ministry of Textile & Jute / Directorate of Textiles Project Location: Manikgonj, Tangail, Kishoregonj, Faridpur, Noakhali, Cox's Bazar, Sirajgonj, Naogaon, Chapainababgonj Gaibanda.</p>	<p>a) To review the present functional status of major outputs in the project areas and reason for any deviation and bottlenecks. b) To review whether procurement and installation of all types of machineries, equipments and materials are done as per specification in the sampled equipments. c) To assess impact of Establishment of Textile Vocational institutes on improving the socio-economic condition of the country. d) To assess impact of solar panel system connection on improving the socio-economic condition country in general.</p>
<p>Serial No- 7. "Bangladesh Agribusiness Development Project (BADP) (1st Revised)" Implementation Period: 2006-2011 Cost: TK. 409,43.80 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Ministry of Finance for credit part. and Ministry of Agriculture for non-credit part. / Department of Agricultural Marketing (DAM) Project Location: All over Bangladesh.</p>	<p>a) To assess impact of various project activities increasing employment, women entrepreneurship, market facilities, women's empowerment, household income and assets and overall reduction of poverty of rural and semi-urban areas under the project. Selection of credit facilities sustainability entrepreneur b) Bank of NGO role in Agri-business & agri-Marketing. Impact. c) To find out the credit selection pointer by banking deviation of Ministry of Finance. d) To provide recommendations towards making agribusiness enterprises more sustainable and more contributory towards improving local and national economy of the country as a whole.</p>
<p>Serial No- 8. "Artificial Insemination Activities Extension and Embryo Transfer Technology Implementation Project (Phase-II)" Implementation Period: 2009-2014 Cost: TK. 5413.14 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Ministry of Fisheries & Livestock / Department of Livestock Services Project Location: All over Bangladesh</p>	<p>a) To assess on the present status of major components and corresponding outputs in the areas sampled for survey. b) To assess impact on the development of livestock sector through production of quality frozen semen and increased livestock population by using the frozen semen. c) To assess impact on self employment by training of AI Volunteers on Artificial Insemination and farmers training on dairy farm management. d) To assess the overall impact of this project mentioned in the project completion report (PCR). e) To assess the impact of livestock management activities in terms of increasing the volume of production, productivity, profitability, income generation, employment opportunities especially of rural people and standard.</p>
<p>Serial No- 9. "Rural Employment Opportunities for Public Assets Project" Implementation Period: 2006-2011 Cost: TK. 28522.33 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Ministry of LGRD & Co-operative/Local Government Division (LGD) / Local Government Division Project Location: Sirajgonj, Satkhira, Barguna, Narshini, Feni & Habigonj</p>	<p>a) To assess on the present functional status of major components and corresponding outputs in the areas sampled for survey. b) To assess the impact of the project in creating employment opportunities and on the overall socio-economic development of rural areas in the long-term. c) To assess impact on poverty reduction and women empowerment especially of the poor rural communities through pro-poor investment.</p>

Serial No- 10.
"Compensation Package for Rehabilitating the Affected People of Barapukuria Coal Mine(Central Part)"
 Implementation Period: 2010-2011
 Cost: Tk.19,053.20
 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency/ Implementing Agency: Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources/Energy and Mineral Resources Division/Banladesh Oil, Gas and Mineral Corporation (Petrobangla)/ Bangladesh Coal Mine Company Limited (BCMCL)
Project Location: Parbatipur Upazila of Dinajpur district under Rangpur division of Bangladesh.

Serial No- 11.
"BMR of Faridpur Sugar Mills (2nd Revised)."
 Implementation Period: 2009-2013
 Cost: Tk. 2583.74
 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Ministry of Industries/ Bangladesh Sugar & Food Industries Corporation.
Project Location: Upazila-Madhukhali, District-Faridpur.

Serial No- 12.
"Second Rural Infrastructure Improvement Project (RIIP-II)"
 Implementation Period: 2006-2013
 Cost: Tk. 153,688.26
 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Local Government Division, Ministry of LGRD&C / Local Government Engineering Department.
Project Location: Panchagarh, Thakurgaon, Dinajpur, Nilphamari, Rangpur, Lalmonirhat, Rangpur, Gaibandha, Sherpur, Jamalpur, Mymensingh, Kishoreganj, Netrokona, Manikganj, Gazipur, Narshingdi, Narayanganj, Munshiganj, Brahmanbaria, Comilla and Chandpur

Serial No- 13.
"Upgrading and Expanding Distribution System in Gulshan Circle"
 Implementation Period: 2006-2013
 Cost: Tk. 59490.01
 Sponsoring Ministry/Executing Agency: Power Division, Ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources/Dhaka Electric Supply Company Ltd. (DESCO)
Project Location: Gulshan and Uttara of Dhaka and Tongi of Gazipur District in are under DESCO.

Serial No- 14.
"Secondary Towns Integrated Flood Protection(Phase-2)" Project -BWDB part
 Implementation Period: 2004-2013
 Cost: Tk. 51973.111
 Sponsoring Ministry/ Executing Agency: Ministry of water Resources/ Bangladesh Water Development Board.
Project Location: Rajshahi, Gaibandha, Kushtia Jamalpur, Mymensingh, Manikganj Munshigonj, Sunamganj and Brahmanbari

a) To assess the impact of open coal mining on the ecology of the mining area, crops, fisheries, animal and forests.
 b) To assess transformative effects on the socio-economic conditions of the marginal land owners who were compensated through the project.
 c) To evaluate the effectiveness of resettlement grants to the landless poor and vulnerable farmers.
 d) To assess the extent of participation of local communities in planning, implementation of the project.

a) To observe and comment on the present functional status of major items of work in the areas (BMR of Faridpur Sugar Mills Ltd) to be selected for survey.
 b) To assess the Balancing, Modernization and Replacement through the some of old machinery of the sugar mill.
 c) To assess improving operational performance of the factory and to sustain production of 2673 M. Tons sugar per annum.
 d) Whether introduction of modern technology helped to reduce the incidence amongst the labor and other activities.

a) To observe and comment on the present functional status of major items of work in the areas to be selected for survey.
 b) To assess the impact of rural economy developed due to construction/maintenance of roads, bridges/culverts, development of Ghats, markets etc.
 c) To assess the creation of short and long term employment opportunity (agricultural and Non-agricultural) for poor women and other rural destitute helped in improving their livelihoods and economic benefits.
 c) To assess the extent of rural poor community participation in planning, implementation, social and gender development, women component, maintenance and management of rural infrastructures.
 d) To examine the stakeholders' level of the awareness about child right, women's right and social development issues in the community.
 e) To assess the accessibility of the women and girls to markets, credit, environment, gender and development, legal aid, social security, health and other facilities through the development of rural roads infrastructure.

a) To observe and comment on the present functional status of major items of work in the areas to be selected for survey.
 b) To examine the present condition, performance of the sub-stations and other equipments.
 c) To assess the impact of distribution of electricity, load-shedding, low voltage problem of the system, replacement of the breakers and switchgear-spare parts, minimization of technical losses of the system, and facilitation of new connection to the customers.

a) To observe and comment on the present functional status of major items of work in the areas to be selected for survey.
 b) To assess the flood protection works, urban drainage system and urban environmental improvement activities.
 c) To assess the poverty reduction, rehabilitation, construction and remodeling drains, and culverts.
 d) To assess the extent of participation of local communities in planning, implementation, maintenance and management of the infrastructures.

2. In Addition to some common objectives such as- a) To review the target and actual progress of item of work implemented under the project and identify reasons for any deviation; b) To examine whether the procurement process (Invitation of tenders, evaluation of tenders, approval procedure, contract awards etc.) of the packages (goods, works and services) under the project was done existing procurement rules; c) To apply SWOT analysis by considering project documents and presentation of the project areas; d) To recommend measures for more effective and sustainable management of the project activities and replication of past practices in future projects should be considered as the current assignment of the mentioned 14 (fourteen) projects;

Furthermore, consulting firms will have to do the followings: a) Prepare study design; b) Prepare data collection instruments; c) Collect data from the project area; d) Arrange regional level workshop in any of the project area; e) Analyzing data; f) Report writing; g) Presentation of the study findings in the Technical & Steering Committee, Workshop, and h) Finalize and print the report.

3. Short-listing of the firm will be done separately for each study. One firm can apply for maximum 2 (two) projects.

4. IMED invites eligible applicants (Consulting firms) to indicate their interest in providing the services mentioned above. Interested firms are requested to provide necessary information in their Expressions of Interest (EOI) indicating that they have adequate capacity to conduct Impact Evaluation studies of the aforesaid projects. Consulting firms are required to provide description of similar assignment done earlier (Impact Evaluation/Any type of evaluation/study conducted but not feasibility or any type of survey). Also information about experience in similar operating conditions; adequacy and qualifications of professionals and office staffs, logistics support, up-to- date income tax certificate (2014-15), trade license (2014-15), yearly turn-over, institution profile etc. also should be furnished.

5. Consulting firms will be selected under a fixed budget selection (FBS) method in accordance with the PPR-2008.

6. Expression of Interest (EOI) shall be submitted in sealed envelope separately for each of the project. Name of the project and name of the Applicant firm should clearly be written on the sealed envelope. Applicant firm will be shortlisted on the basis of their submitted EOI's. Only shortlisted firms will be given the Request for Proposal (RFP) form with Terms of Reference (TOR).

7. Expression of Interest (EOI) shall be submitted in sealed envelope separately for each of the projects by 26.10.2015 during 10.00 AM to Director General Addressed below. Late EOI's will not be considered. Pre-bid meeting will be held on 11.00 AM, 21.10.2015.

8. The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all (EOI's).

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