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Improvement of Sylhet-Tamabil Road to a 4-Lane Highway  
with Separate SMVT Lane Project  
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Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI)  
Construction Supervision Consultants—Selection of Firms

Country: Bangladesh  
Client: Ministry of Road Transport and Bridges: Roads and Highways Department (RHD)  
Project: Sylhet to Tamabil Road Upgrade Project  
Loan No.: L00153A

Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) of Construction Supervision Consultants for Improvement of Sylhet-Tamabil Road to 4-Lane Highway with Separate SMVT Lane Project.

BACKGROUND:
The Government of the Peoples’ Republic of Bangladesh (GoB) received a loan funding from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) for the improvement of Sylhet-Tamabil Road to a 4 lane Highway. A loan Agreement was signed between GoB and AIIB on 26 October 2020 to co-finance the project. The Roads and Highways Department (RHD) under the Ministry of Road Transport and Bridges will implement the Project. A team of Construction Supervision Consultants will be engaged to assist Roads and Highways Department (RHD) to implement the Project. A part of the loan will be utilized as eligible payments for the Construction Supervision Consultant Contract for which this EOI is issued.

OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE:
The primary objective of the consultancy services is to ensure (i) high standard of works through establishing a quality assurance plan in executing all project works and complete the project within the stipulated time frame; (ii) comprehensive supervision of all project works to be carried out by the contractors to ensure complete compliance with the project drawings, designs, technical specifications and other stipulations set out in the contract documents; (iii) provide all consultancy services (as detailed in the ToR) with regard to establishing a modified asphalt plant and a emulsified asphalt plant; (iv) provide all consultancy services (as detailed in the ToR) with regard to construction of a axle load control station; (v) provide all consultancy services (as detailed in the ToR) with regard to construction of a traffic control maneuver with the Tamabil Port’s internal roads to ease off traffic movements; (vi) In addition, provide other supports as may be necessary during the course of execution of the project.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) can be obtained by applying to the Project Director preferably by e-mail at pdstrip@phd@gmail.com

The Consultants will be selected under Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) Method in accordance with the procedures set out in AIIB’s “Interim Operational Directives on Procurement Instructions for Recipients” dated June 02, 2016 (Procurement Instructions).

RHD will prepare a short-list of the interested firms for selection for the project construction supervision services.

QUALIFICATION:
Assignment specific qualifications and experience includes—
a) Technical Competence: details of work experience in similar projects;
b) Geographic Experience: details of work experience in similar geographic areas;
c) Management Competence: registration and legal entitlements; company profile, and information on financial capability of the firm;

d) Qualification and experience of the permanent professional staff, number of highway and bridge engineers, average working experiences of the highway and bridge engineers who belong to the firm for more than a year, experience in detailed design and design review of highway and bridge projects, experience in developing business models and operational plan for road research, training and road operation unit.

RHD now invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultant should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualification and relevant experience to perform the services. The short listing criteria are: (i) background of the firm-past and present status with achievements; (ii) legal entitlements of the firm-trade and professional registration, tax and other legal obligations; (iii) general experience-10 years overall experiences in the consultation service; (iv) similar (road construction supervision) experience of 5.00 Million US$ in at least one contract in the last 5 years; (v) average annual turnover of 2.30 Million US$ in the last 5 years and (vi) qualification and experience of the permanent professional staff. Mention ably, the key experts will not be evaluated at the short listing stage. Hence, qualification and experience of the key experts shall be considered later.

The attention of interested consultants is drawn to Section II, Paragraph 4.4, 4.4.2 and 13.4 of AIDB’s “Interim Operational Directives on Procurement Instructions for Recipients” dated June 02, 2016 (“Procurement Instructions”), setting forth the Bank’s policy on conflict of interest. Consultant 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.

Interested applicants may obtain further information by applying to the undersigned preferable by e-mail during normal office hours. The Client will not be responsible for any costs/expenses incurred in connection with preparation/delivery of the EOs.

The EOI, with all supporting documents, must be submitted (in person or by postal mail) in sealed envelopes marked “Improvement of Sylhet-Tamabil Road to a 4-Lane Highway with separate SMVT Lane Project” to the address below on and before 30 March 2021 at 14:00 Bangladesh Standard Time (BST).

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