

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

INDIA

Assam Secondary Road Network Improvement Project (ASRIP)

Loan No.: To be assigned

No.: CE/ASRIP/4/2020/A-CS-4/7

Dated: February 26, 2021

Construction Supervision Consultancy services for road improvement and upgradation of roads under ASRIP

This request for expressions of interest follows the General Procurement Notice that appeared in UN Development Business and national Newspapers on February 5, 2021 for this project.

The Government of India on behalf of Government of Assam has applied for financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) toward the cost of Assam Secondary Road Network Improvement Project (ASRIP) for improvement and upgradation of State Highways (SH) and Major District Roads (MDR). It intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Services would be towards construction supervision to ensure effective delivery of the road and bridge works according to the prescribed designs and construction specifications, ensuring sound design and construction quality standards, avoiding time and cost overruns, carefully avoiding disputes and underperformance, and provide professional advice and support to the employer to manage contract management issues. The assignment would be of 42 months, expected to commence from the second half of 2021. It is estimated that an input of about 331 person-months of key-professional staff would be required for the assignment.

The Chief Engineer (EAP), Public Works Roads Department, Government of Assam 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 experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are: (1) qualifications and similar experience of the firm, such as core business and years in business, specific experience, technical and managerial capability of the firm. The firm shall have experience of successfully completing at least three contracts for Construction Supervision Consultancy or Authority’s Engineer services for two lanes or above roads of national highways/state highways classification having contract value of minimum INR 300 million each in the last five years; (2) availability of key professionals within the firm having expertise to deliver the Services. It shall include highway engineers, bridge engineers, environmental and social experts, etc with experience in construction supervision of highway works; (3) financial soundness of the firm in terms of annual turnover and net worth. The firm should have an annual turnover of INR 100 crore in any one year in the last five years and positive net worth in each of the last five years.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section II, paragraph 4.4, and paragraph 4.9 of the AIIB’s “Procurement Instructions for Recipients” June 2, 2016, setting forth the AIIB’s policy on conflict of interest and eligibility.

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. The total number of firms in the association shall be restricted to two firms. 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 Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Instructions for Recipients. Further information and the Terms of Reference can be

downloaded from Tenders section in the website <https://pwdroads.assam.gov.in> or obtained at the address below during office hours 1000 to 1700 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by postal mail, by March 25, 2021).

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