

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
DIRECTORATE OF INLAND WATER TRANSPORT,
ASSAM TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR
CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR
**PREPARATION OF DETAILED PROJECT REPORT (DPR) ALONG WITH FRONT
END ENGINEERING DESIGN, DRAWINGS, TENDER DOCUMENTS AND
MODULARIZATION OF DESIGN ELEMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF FERRY
SERVICES IN ASSAM**
— FIRMS SELECTION

Country: ASSAM, INDIA

Name of Project: ASSAM INLAND WATER TRANSPORT PROJECT [AIWT]

Assignment Title: Selection of Consultant for preparation of detailed project report (DPR) along with front end engineering design drawings, tender document for ferry services under Assam IWT project and customizable design modules for elements of ferry terminals

The Government of Assam through the Government of India has applied financing from the World Bank (WB) towards the cost of the AIWT Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services. The project aims to modernize and upgrade the Inland Water Transport sector in the state and improve the existing ferry terminals and allied infrastructures. Draft TOR can be found at www.iwtdirectorate.assam.gov.in

The draft Terms of Reference includes key tasks as following:

1. Review/Assess the outputs by ISDP Consultant on feasible IWT investments under Assam IWT Project as they are made available. Outputs from ISDP are expected as follows:
 - i. An early feasibility assessment of locations for passenger (including cargo) ferry terminals from a list of 10 pre-selected existing Ghats /terminals as stated.
 - ii. Complete feasibility report on strategic IWT investments under the project
2. Prepare Detailed Project Report (DPR), Front End Engineering Design (FEED) and tender document (as per World Bank guidelines) for each of the validated feasible locations as identified by ISDP in developing modern IWT infrastructure - primarily the passenger (including those with cargo facilities) ferry terminals with all associated

facilities including user access.

3. Prepare on fast track priority basis, the Detailed Project Report and tender documents for development works amounting to approx. US \$ 50 Million within four months from the letter of award.
4. Modularization of design elements for passenger (and cargo) ferry terminals for both high traffic and low traffic locations & development of customizable design models for future interventions, based on the potential traffic and the number of vessels that needs to be berthed at the terminal. Different types of last mile connectivity / accessibility solutions should be included with the design models of terminals depending on the location and river bank terrain, and capturing the best international models as well as innovative solutions available locally. Passenger facilities are the focus, but considerations should be made to accompanying cargo facilities, to accommodate trade flows.
5. Pro-actively plan and share information with the EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) and SIA (Social Impact Assessment) consultants that would help in preparation of the detailed environmental and social safeguards studies.

The Government of Assam, Directorate of Inland Water Transport 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 relevant experience to perform the services. The criteria for short listing of Consultants are:

- i) The Consultant should have sound financial performance with average annual turnover of INR 3 Cr or more for the last 3 years. (2014-15, 2015-16 & 2016 -17). This shall be substantiated by submitting Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement/Annual Report.
- ii) The Consultant must have proven experience of successful completion of at least 4 similar assignments¹, out of which at least 2 shall be with Government departments/agencies/PSU's in the last 7 years to the last date of submission of EOI. Submission of completion certificate for the same is mandatory. The completion certificate shall bear client's name and address, value of the work executed by the consultant, Start and end of the project.
- iii) Consultancy Experience in At least 1 completed or ongoing relevant project (Design / DPR preparation) in Inland Water Transport sector/Design of ferry terminals /

¹ Similar Assignment – Design/DPR and Bid Document preparation for large infrastructure projects

ports/ any other marine terminals. (Work order or Completion certificate shall be enclosed)

- iv) The Consultant must have a multidisciplinary in-house technical team and expert staff available & shall submit the list and detailed CV's of key personal likely to be deployed on the project.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers January 2011 [revised July 2014] (Consultant Guidelines), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of Joint Venture (JV) or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualification.

Nature of association, whether Joint Venture or sub-consultant has to be clearly mentioned in the EOI and shall be substantiated by providing authorization letter in favour of the lead partner. The number of members in the JV shall not be more than 2.

The consultant shall note that:

1. AIWTDS reserves the right to reject any or all EOI's or cancel for the subject package without assigning any reason whatsoever and in such case no bidder / intending bidder shall have any claim arising out of such action.
2. Issuance or downloading of Bidding Documents to any Bidder shall not construe that such Bidder is considered to be qualified.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during Office hours [1100 hrs to 1700hrs]

EOI must be submitted by hand or by post at the address furnished below. Last date of submission is 26th February, 2018 at 3 pm.



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