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PROJECT: ASSAM INLAND WATER TRANSPORT PROJECT

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### SELECTION OF CONSULTANTS

# Request for Proposals Consulting Services

### **Procurement of:**

RFP No: IN-IWT-221779-CS-QCBS

**Consulting Services for:** Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) along with Engineering Design, Drawings, Tender Documents for Construction of

Modular Terminal at Ferry Services of NW-2 and NW-16 in Assam.

Client: ASSAM INLAND WATER TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT

SOCIETY

Country: India

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### **PART I**

**Section 1. Request for Proposal Letter** 

### **Request for Proposal Letter**

### **Consulting Services**

Name of Assignment: Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) along with Engineering

Design, Drawings, Tender Documents for Construction of Modular Terminal at Ferry

Services of NW-2 and NW-16 in Assam.

RFP Reference No.: IN-IWT-221779-CS-QCBS Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: IBRD-P4830

Country: India

**Date:** 29th- May- 2021

#### Dear Mr. /Ms.:

- 1. The Government of Assam (hereinafter called "Borrower") has received financing from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) (the "Bank") in the form of a "loan" (hereinafter called "loan" toward the cost of Assam Inland Water Transport Project. The Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society (AIWTDS), an implementing agency of the Client, intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to eligible payments under the contract for which this Request for Proposals is issued. Payments by the Bank will be made only at the request of the Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society (AIWTDS), and upon approval by the Bank, and will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the loan agreement. The loan agreement prohibits a withdrawal from the loan account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of the Bank, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than the Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society (AIWTDS), shall derive any rights from the loan agreement or have any claims to the proceeds of the loan.
- 2. The Client now invites proposals to provide the following consulting services (hereinafter called "Services"): Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) along with Engineering Design, Drawings, Tender Documents for Construction of Modular Terminal at Ferry Services of NW-2 and NW-16 in Assam. More details on the Services are provided in the Terms of Reference (Section 7).

3. This Request for Proposals (RFP) has been addressed to the following shortlisted Consultants:

SL. NO.	Name of the shortlisted bidders
1.	Haskoning DHV Consulting Private Limited Platinum Techno Park, 502-505, 5th Floor, Plot No. 17 & 18, Sector 30 A, Vashi, Navi Mumbai - 400 703, India
2.	Antea Nederland B.V. In Joint Venture with Antea India Private Limited and Antea Polska S.A Tower-1, Unit No. 219-221, 2nd Floor, Golf Course Extension Road, Sector-58, Gurugram-122011 (Haryana), India.
3.	WAPCOS Limited 76-C, Sector-18,Institutional Area, Gurugram - 122015 (Haryana)
4.	AECOM India Pvt Ltd 3rd Floor, Building No.8A, DLF Cyber City, DLF Phase-II, Gurgaon-122002 Haryana, India
5.	Egis India Consulting Engineers Pvt. Ltd Plot no. 66, Sector-32, Gurgaon, Haryana-122001, India.
6.	L&T Infrastructure Engineering Ltd., India, in Joint Venture with LEA Associates South Asia Pvt. Ltd. (LASA), TC2 Building, 3rd floor, Mount Poonamalle Road, Manapakkam, P.B.No.979, Chennai-600 089
7.	SPECTRUM Techno Consultants Private Limited in JV with Cullen Grummitt & Roe (India) Private Limited B-201, BSEL Tech Park, Sector 30A, Opp. Vashi Railway, Station, Vashi, Navi Mumbai – 400703.
8.	Voyants Solutions Pvt. Ltd. 403, 4th Floor, Park Centra, Sector-30, NH-8, Gurugram, Haryana – 122001, India

- 4. It is not permissible to transfer this RFP to any other firm.
- 5. The RFB documents shall be available online on https://assamtenders.gov.in from 29th May'2021 to 20th June'2021 upto 1400 hours. Bidders will be required to register on the website, which is free of cost. The bidder would be responsible for ensuring that any addenda available on the website is also downloaded and incorporated.
- 6. The submission of proposal document shall be only through the online medium. The RFP document shall also be available at the https://assamtenders.gov.in . For online submission procedure, please refer to Annexure -I for more information.

- 7. For submission of the proposal, the bidder is required to have Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the Certifying Authorities authorised by Government of India for issuing DSC. Aspiring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-procurement in this Project, may obtain the same from the website: https://assamtenders.gov.in '.
- 8. Bids must be submitted online on https://assamtenders.gov.in on or before 1400 hours on 20th June 2021 and will be opened online on the same day at 1600 hours. Any bid or modifications to bid (including discount) received outside e-procurement system will not be considered. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working day at the same time and venue. The electronic bidding system would not allow any late submission of bids.
- 9. A Virtual Pre bid meeting will be held through video conferencing, on 8 <sup>th</sup>June,2021 at 11:00 AM. The person attending the pre bid conference should express their interest through an email request to dir.iwtds-as@gov.in latest by 4:00 PM on or before 05.06.2021 indicating the Name and e-mail id of representative(s) who wish to participate in the meeting. A link will be sent to those email ids to participate in the meeting.
- 10. A firm will be selected under Quality Cum Cost Based Selection (QCBS) procedures and in a Full Technical Proposal (FTP) format as described in this RFP, in accordance with the Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" 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 and August 2018 ("Procurement Regulations"), which can be found at the following website: www.worldbank.org

The RFP includes the following documents:

Section 1 – Request for Proposals Letter

Section 2 - Instructions to Consultants and Data Sheet

Section 3 - Technical Proposal (FTP) - Standard Forms

Section 4 - Financial Proposal - Standard Forms

Section 5 – Eligible Countries

Section 6 – Fraud and Corruption

Section 7 - Terms of Reference

Section 8 - Standard Forms of Contract (Lump-Sum)

- 11. Please inform us by 5th- June- 2021, in writing at State Project Director, Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society, Ulubari, Guwahati-07 or by email to dir.iwtdsas@gov.in`:
  - (a) that you have received this Request for Proposals; and
  - (b) whether you intend to submit a proposal alone or intend to enhance your experience by requesting permission to associate with other firm(s) (if permissible under Section 2, Instructions to Consultants (ITC), Data Sheet 14.1.1).
- 12. Details on the proposal's submission date, time and address are provided in ITC 17.7 and ITC 17.9.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(Mr. Adil Khan, IAS) **State Project Director** Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society Ulubari, Guwahati-7

E-mail: dir.iwtds-as@gov.in

### Section 2. Instructions to Consultants and Data Sheet

#### **Instructions to Consultants**

#### A. General Provisions

#### 1. Definitions

- (a) "Affiliate(s)" means an individual or an entity that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the Consultant.
- (b) "Applicable Law" means the laws and any other instruments having the force of law in the Client's country, or in such other country as may be specified in the **Data Sheet**, as they may be issued and in force from time to time.
- (c) "Bank" means the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) or the International Development Association (IDA).
- (d) "Borrower" means the Government, Government agency or other entity that signs the *loan* agreement with the Bank.
- (e) "Client" means the implementing agency that signs the Contract for the Services with the selected Consultant.
- (f)"Consultant" means a legally-established professional consulting firm or an entity that may provide or provides the Services to the Client under the Contract.
- (g) "Contract" means a legally binding written agreement signed between the Client and the Consultant and includes all the attached documents listed in its Clause 1 (the General Conditions of Contract (GCC), the Special Conditions of Contract (SCC), and the Appendices).
- (h) "Data Sheet" means an integral part of the Instructions to Consultants (ITC) Section 2 that is used to reflect specific country and assignment conditions to supplement, but not to over-write, the provisions of the ITC.
- (i) "Day" means a calendar day, unless otherwise

- specified as "Business Day". A Business Day is any day that is an official working day of the Borrower. It excludes the Borrower's official public holidays.
- (j) "Experts" means, collectively, Key Experts, Non-Key Experts, or any other personnel of the Consultant, Sub-consultant or Joint Venture member(s).
- (k) "Government" means the government of the Client's country.
- (l) "in writing" means communicated in written form (e.g. by mail, e-mail, fax, including, if specified in the Data Sheet, distributed or received through the electronic-procurement system used by the Client) with proof of receipt;
- (m) "Joint Venture (JV)" means an association with or without a legal personality distinct from that of its members, of more than one Consultant where one member has the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the members of the JV, and where the members of the JV are jointly and severally liable to the Client for the performance of the Contract.
- (n) "Key Expert(s)" means an individual professional whose skills, qualifications, knowledge and experience are critical to the performance of the Services under the Contract and whose CV is taken into account in the technical evaluation of the Consultant's proposal.
- (o) "ITC" (this Section 2 of the RFP) means the Instructions to Consultants that provides the shortlisted Consultants with all information needed to prepare their Proposals.
- (p) "Non-Key Expert(s)" means an individual professional provided by the Consultant or its Subconsultant and who is assigned to perform the Services or any part thereof under the Contract and whose CVs are not evaluated individually.
- (q) "Proposal" means the Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal of the Consultant.
- (r) "RFP" means the Request for Proposals to be prepared by the Client for the selection of Consultants, based on

the SPD - RFP.

- (s) "SPD RFP" means the Standard Procurement Document Request for Proposals, which must be used by the Client as the basis for the preparation of the RFP.
- (t) "Services" means the work to be performed by the Consultant pursuant to the Contract.
- (u) "Sub-consultant" means an entity to whom the Consultant intends to subcontract any part of the Services while the Consultant remains responsible to the Client during the whole performance of the Contract.
- (v) "Terms of Reference (TORs)" (this Section 7 of the RFP) means the Terms of Reference that explains the objectives, scope of work, activities, and tasks to be performed, respective responsibilities of the Client and the Consultant, and expected results and deliverables of the assignment.
- (w) "ESHS" means environmental, social (including sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) and gender-based violence (GBV)), health and safety.

### 2. Introduction

- 2.1 The Client named in the **Data Sheet** intends to select a Consultant from those listed in the Request for Proposals (RFP), in accordance with the method of selection specified in the **Data Sheet**.
- 2.2 The shortlisted Consultants are invited to submit a Technical Proposal and a Financial Proposal, or a Technical Proposal only, as specified in the **Data Sheet**, for consulting services required for the assignment named in the **Data Sheet**. The Proposal will be the basis for negotiating and ultimately signing the Contract with the selected Consultant.
- 2.3 The Consultants should familiarize themselves with the local conditions and take them into account in preparing their Proposals, including attending a pre-proposal conference if one is specified in the **Data Sheet**. Attending any such pre-proposal conference is optional and is at the Consultants' expense.
- 2.4 The Client will timely provide, at no cost to the Consultants, the inputs, relevant project data, and reports

required for the preparation of the Consultant's Proposal as specified in the **Data Sheet**.

### 3. Conflict of Interest

- 3.1 The Consultant is required to provide professional, objective, and impartial advice, at all times holding the Client's interests paramount, strictly avoiding conflicts with other assignments or its own corporate interests, and acting without any consideration for future work.
- 3.2 The Consultant has an obligation to disclose to the Client any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts its capacity to serve the best interest of its Client. Failure to disclose such situations may lead to the disqualification of the Consultant or the termination of its Contract and/or sanctions by the Bank.
  - 3.2.1 Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, the Consultant shall not be hired under the circumstances set forth below:

### a. Conflicting Activities

between consulting activities and (i) Conflict procurement of goods, works or non-consulting services: a firm that has been engaged by the Client to provide goods, works, or non-consulting services for a project, or any of its Affiliates, shall be disqualified from providing consulting services resulting from or directly related to those goods, works, or non-consulting services. Conversely, a firm hired to provide consulting services for the preparation or implementation of a project, or any of its Affiliates, shall be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or works or non-consulting services resulting from or directly related to the consulting services for such preparation or implementation.

### b. Conflicting Assignments

(ii) Conflict among consulting assignments: a Consultant (including its Experts and Sub-consultants) or any of its Affiliates shall not be hired for any assignment that, by its nature, may be in conflict with another assignment of the Consultant for the same or for another Client.

### c. Conflicting Relationships

(iii) Relationship with the Client's staff: a Consultant (including its Experts and Sub-consultants) that has a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Borrower (or of the Client, or of implementing agency, or of a recipient of a part of the Bank's financing) who are directly or

indirectly involved in any part of (i) the preparation of the Terms of Reference for the assignment, (ii) the selection process for the Contract, or (iii) the supervision of the Contract, may not be awarded a Contract, unless the conflict stemming from this relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Bank throughout the selection process and the execution of the Contract.

### 4. Unfair Competitive Advantage

4.1 Fairness and transparency in the selection process require that the Consultants or their Affiliates competing for a specific assignment do not derive a competitive advantage from having provided consulting services related to the assignment in question. To that end, the Client shall indicate in the **Data Sheet** and make available to all shortlisted Consultants together with this RFP all information that would in that respect give such Consultant any unfair competitive advantage over competing Consultants.

# 5. Fraud and Corruption

- 5.1 The Bank requires compliance with the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and its prevailing sanctions policies and procedures as set forth in the WBG's Sanctions Framework, as set forth in Section 6.
- 5.2 In further pursuance of this policy, Consultants shall permit and shall cause their agents (where declared or not), subcontractors, subconsultants, service providers, suppliers, and their personnel, to permit the Bank to inspect all accounts, records and other documents relating to any shortlisting process, Proposal submission, and contract performance (in the case of award), and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

### 6. Eligibility

- 6.1 The Bank permits consultants (individuals and firms, including Joint Ventures and their individual members) from all countries to offer consulting services for Bankfinanced projects.
- 6.2 Furthermore, it is the Consultant's responsibility to ensure that its Experts, joint venture members, Sub-consultants, agents (declared or not), sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/or their employees meet the eligibility requirements as established by the Bank in the applicable Procurement Regulations.
- 6.3 As an exception to the foregoing ITC 6.1 and ITC 6.2

above:

#### a. Sanctions

6.3.1 A Consultant that has been sanctioned by the Bank, pursuant to the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and in accordance with its prevailing sanctions policies and procedures as set forth in the WBG's Sanctions Framework as described in Section VI, Fraud and Corruption, paragraph 2.2 d., shall be ineligible to be shortlisted for, submit proposals for, or be awarded a Bank-financed contract or benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or otherwise, during such period of time as the Bank shall have determined. The list of debarred firms and individuals is available at the electronic address specified in the PDS.

#### b. Prohibitions

- 6.3.2 Firms and individuals of a country or goods manufactured in a country may be ineligible if so indicated in Section 5 (Eligible Countries) and:
  - (a) as a matter of law or official regulations, the Borrower's country prohibits commercial relations with that country, provided that the Bank is satisfied that such exclusion does not preclude effective competition for the provision of Services required; or
  - (b) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, the Borrower's Country prohibits any import of goods from that country or any payments to any country, person, or entity in that country.

### c. Restrictions for State-Owned Enterprises

6.3.3 State-owned enterprises or institutions in the Borrower's country may be eligible to compete and be awarded a contract only if they can establish, in a manner acceptable to the Bank, that they: (i) are legally and financially autonomous, (ii) operate under commercial law, and (iii) are not under supervision of the Client.

### d. Restrictions for Public Employees

- 6.3.4 Government officials and civil servants of the Borrower's country are not eligible to be included as Experts, individuals, or members of a team of Experts in the Consultant's Proposal unless:
  - (i) the services of the government official or

- civil servant are of a unique and exceptional nature, or their participation is critical to project implementation; and
- (ii) their hiring would not create a conflict of interest, including any conflict with employment or other laws, regulations, or policies of the Borrower.

### e. Borrower Debarment

6.3.5 A firm that is under a sanction of debarment by the Borrower from being awarded a contract is eligible to participate in this procurement, unless the Bank, at the Borrower's request, is satisfied that the debarment; (a) relates to fraud or corruption, and (b) followed a judicial or administrative proceeding that afforded the firm adequate due process.

### **B.** Preparation of Proposals

- 7. General Considerations
- 7.1 In preparing the Proposal, the Consultant is expected to examine the RFP in detail. Material deficiencies in providing the information requested in the RFP may result in rejection of the Proposal.
- 8. Cost of Preparation of Proposal
- 8.1 The Consultant shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Proposal, and the Client shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the selection process. The Client is not bound to accept any proposal and reserves the right to annul the selection process at any time prior to Contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the Consultant.
- 9. Language
- 9.1 The Proposal, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Proposal exchanged between the Consultant and the Client, shall be written in the language(s) specified in the **Data Sheet**.
- 10. Documents
  Comprising the
  Proposal
- 10.1 The Proposal shall comprise the documents and forms listed in the **Data Sheet**.
- 10.2 If specified in the **Data Sheet**, the Consultant shall include a statement of an undertaking of the Consultant to observe, in competing for and executing a contract, the Client country's laws against fraud and corruption (including bribery).
- 10.3 The Consultant shall furnish information on

commissions, gratuities, and fees, if any, paid or to be paid to agents or any other party relating to this Proposal and, if awarded, Contract execution, as requested in the Financial Proposal submission form (Section 4).

### 11. Only One Proposal

11.1 The Consultant (including the individual members of any Joint Venture) shall submit only one Proposal, either in its own name or as part of a Joint Venture in another Proposal. If a Consultant, including any Joint Venture member, submits or participates in more than one proposal, all such proposals shall be disqualified and rejected. This does not, however, preclude a Subconsultant, or the Consultant's staff from participating as Key Experts and Non-Key Experts in more than one Proposal when circumstances justify and if stated in the **Data Sheet**.

#### 12. Proposal Validity

- 12.1 **The Data Sheet** indicates the period during which the Consultant's Proposal must remain valid after the Proposal submission deadline.
- 12.2 During this period, the Consultant shall maintain its original Proposal without any change, including the availability of the Key Experts, the proposed rates and the total price.
- 12.3 If it is established that any Key Expert nominated in the Consultant's Proposal was not available at the time of Proposal submission or was included in the Proposal without his/her confirmation, such Proposal shall be disqualified and rejected for further evaluation, and may be subject to sanctions in accordance with ITC 5.

## a. Extension of Validity Period

- 12.4 The Client will make its best effort to complete the negotiations and award the contract within the proposal's validity period. However, should the need arise, the Client may request, in writing, all Consultants who submitted Proposals prior to the submission deadline to extend the Proposals' validity.
- 12.5 If the Consultant agrees to extend the validity of its Proposal, it shall be done without any change in the original Proposal and with the confirmation of the availability of the Key Experts, except as provided in ITC 12.7.
- 12.6 The Consultant has the right to refuse to extend the validity of its Proposal in which case such Proposal will

not be further evaluated.

### b. Substitution of Key Experts at Validity Extension

- 12.7 If any of the Key Experts become unavailable for the extended validity period, the Consultant shall seek to substitute another Key Expert. The Consultant shall provide a written adequate justification and evidence satisfactory to the Client together with the substitution request. In such case, a substitute Key Expert shall have equal or better qualifications and experience than those of the originally proposed Key Expert. The technical evaluation score, however, will remain to be based on the evaluation of the CV of the original Key Expert.
- 12.8 If the Consultant fails to provide a substitute Key Expert with equal or better qualifications, or if the provided reasons for the replacement or justification are unacceptable to the Client, such Proposal will be rejected with the prior Bank's no objection.

### c. Sub-Contracting

12.9 The Consultant shall not subcontract the whole of the Services.

# 13. Clarification and Amendment of RFP

- 13.1 The Consultant may request a clarification of any part of the RFP during the period indicated in the **Data Sheet** before the Proposals' submission deadline. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing, or by standard electronic means, to the Client's address indicated in the **Data Sheet**. The Client will respond in writing, or by standard electronic means, and will send written copies of the response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying its source) to all shortlisted Consultants. Should the Client deem it necessary to amend the RFP as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure described below:
  - 13.1.1 At any time before the proposal submission deadline, the Client may amend the RFP by issuing an amendment in writing or by standard electronic means. The amendment shall be sent to all shortlisted Consultants and will be binding on them. The shortlisted Consultants shall acknowledge receipt of all amendments in writing.
  - 13.1.2 If the amendment is substantial, the Client may extend the proposal submission deadline to give the shortlisted Consultants reasonable time to take an amendment into account in their Proposals.

- 13.2 The Consultant may submit a modified Proposal or a modification to any part of it at any time prior to the proposal submission deadline. No modifications to the Technical or Financial Proposal shall be accepted after the deadline.
- 14. Preparation of Proposals Specific Considerations
- 14.1 While preparing the Proposal, the Consultant must give particular attention to the following:
  - 14.1.1 If a shortlisted Consultant considers that it may enhance its expertise for the assignment by associating with other consultants in the form of a Joint Venture or as Sub-consultants, it may do so with either (a) non-shortlisted Consultant(s), or (b) shortlisted Consultants if permitted in the **Data Sheet**. In all such cases a shortlisted Consultant must obtain the written approval of the Client prior to the submission of the Proposal. When associating with non-shortlisted firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy, the shortlisted Consultant shall be a lead member. If shortlisted Consultants associate with each other, any of them can be a lead member.
  - 14.1.2 The Client may indicate in the **Data Sheet** the estimated Key Experts' time input (expressed in person-month) or the Client's estimated total cost of the assignment, but not both. This estimate is indicative and the Proposal shall be based on the Consultant's own estimates for the same.
  - 14.1.3 If stated in the **Data Sheet**, the Consultant shall include in its Proposal at least the same time input (in the same unit as indicated in the **Data Sheet**) of Key Experts, failing which the Financial Proposal will be adjusted for the purpose of comparison of proposals and decision for award in accordance with the procedure in the **Data Sheet**.
  - 14.1.4 For assignments under the Fixed-Budget selection method, the estimated Key Experts' time input is not disclosed. Total available budget, with an indication whether it is inclusive or exclusive of taxes, is given in the **Data Sheet**, and the Financial Proposal shall not exceed this budget.
- 15.1 The Technical Proposal shall be prepared using the

### **Proposal Format** and Content

Standard Forms provided in Section 3 of the RFP and shall comprise the documents listed in the **Data Sheet.** The Technical Proposal shall not include any financial information. A Technical Proposal containing material financial information shall be declared non-responsive.

- 15.1.1 Consultant shall not propose alternative Key Experts. Only one CV shall be submitted for each Key Expert position. Failure to comply with this requirement will make the Proposal non-responsive.
- 15.2 Depending on the nature of the assignment, the Consultant is required to submit a Full Technical Proposal (FTP), or a Simplified Technical Proposal (STP) as indicated in the **Data Sheet** and using the Standard Forms provided in Section 3 of the RFP.

# 16. Financial Proposal

16.1 The Financial Proposal shall be prepared using the Standard Forms provided in Section 4 of the RFP. It shall list all costs associated with the assignment, including (a) remuneration for Key Experts and Non-Key Experts, (b) reimbursable expenses indicated in the **Data Sheet**.

### a. Price Adjustment

16.2 For assignments with a duration exceeding 18 months, a price adjustment provision for foreign and/or local inflation for remuneration rates applies if so stated in the **Data Sheet**.

#### b. Taxes

16.3 The Consultant and its Sub-consultants and Experts are responsible for meeting all tax liabilities arising out of the Contract unless stated otherwise in the **Data Sheet**. Information on taxes in the Client's country is provided in the **Data Sheet**.

# c. Currency of Proposal

16.4 The Consultant may express the price for its Services in the currency or currencies as stated in the **Data Sheet**. If indicated in the **Data Sheet**, the portion of the price representing local cost shall be stated in the national currency.

# d. Currency of Payment

16.5 Payment under the Contract shall be made in the currency or currencies in which the payment is requested in the Proposal.

### C. Submission, Opening and Evaluation

#### 17. Submission,

17.1 The Consultant shall submit a signed and complete

### Sealing, and Marking of Proposals

- Proposal comprising the documents and forms in accordance with ITC 10 (Documents Comprising Proposal). Consultants shall mark as "CONFIDENTIAL" information in their Proposals which is confidential to their business. This may include proprietary information, trade secrets or commercial or financially sensitive information. The submission can be done by mail or by hand. If specified in the **Data Sheet**, the Consultant has the option of submitting its Proposals electronically.
- 17.2 An authorized representative of the Consultant shall sign the original submission letters in the required format for both the Technical Proposal and, if applicable, the Financial Proposal and shall initial all pages of both. The authorization shall be in the form of a written power of attorney attached to the Technical Proposal.
  - 17.2.1 A Proposal submitted by a Joint Venture shall be signed by all members so as to be legally binding on all members, or by an authorized representative who has a written power of attorney signed by each member's authorized representative.
- 17.3 Any modifications, revisions, interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialed by the person signing the Proposal.
- 17.4 The signed Proposal shall be marked "ORIGINAL", and its copies marked "COPY" as appropriate. The number of copies is indicated in the **Data Sheet**. All copies shall be made from the signed original. If there are discrepancies between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
- 17.5 The original and all the copies of the Technical Proposal shall be placed inside a sealed envelope clearly marked "Technical Proposal", "[Name of the Assignment]", [reference number], [name and address of the Consultant], and with a warning "Do Not Open until [Insert the date and the time of the Technical Proposal submission deadline]."
- 17.6 Similarly, the original Financial Proposal (if required for the applicable selection method) and its copies shall be placed inside of a separate sealed envelope clearly marked "FINANCIAL PROPOSAL" "[Name of the Assignment]", [reference number], [name and address of the Consultant],

### and with a warning "DO NOT OPEN WITH THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL."

- 17.7 The sealed envelopes containing the Technical and Financial Proposals shall be placed into one outer envelope and sealed. This outer envelope shall be addressed to the Client and bear the submission address, RFP reference number, the name of the assignment, the Consultant's name and the address, and shall be clearly marked "Do Not Open Before [insert the time and date of the submission deadline indicated in the **Data Sheet**]".
- 17.8 If the envelopes and packages with the Proposal are not sealed and marked as required, the Client will assume no responsibility for the misplacement, loss, or premature opening of the Proposal.
- 17.9 The Proposal or its modifications must be sent to the address indicated in the **Data Sheet** and received by the Client no later than the deadline indicated in the **Data Sheet**, or any extension to this deadline. Any Proposal or its modification received by the Client after the deadline shall be declared late and rejected, and promptly returned unopened.

#### 18. Confidentiality

- 18.1 From the time the Proposals are opened to the time the Contract is awarded, the Consultant should not contact the Client on any matter related to its Technical and/or Financial Proposal. Information relating to the evaluation of Proposals and award recommendations shall not be disclosed to the Consultants who submitted the Proposals or to any other party not officially concerned with the process, until the Notification of Intention to Award the Contract. Exceptions to this ITC are where the Client notifies Consultants of the results of the evaluation of the Technical Proposals.
- 18.2 Any attempt by shortlisted Consultants or anyone on behalf of the Consultant to influence improperly the Client in the evaluation of the Proposals or Contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its Proposal, and may be subject to the application of prevailing Bank's sanctions procedures.
- 18.3 Notwithstanding the above provisions, from the time of the Proposals' opening to the time of Contract award publication, if a Consultant wishes to contact the Client or the Bank on any matter related to the selection process, it

shall do so only in writing.

# 19. Opening of Technical Proposals

- 19.1 The Client's evaluation committee shall conduct the opening of the Technical Proposals in the presence of the shortlisted Consultants' authorized representatives who choose to attend (in person, or online if this option is offered in the **Data Sheet**). The opening date, time and the address are stated in the **Data Sheet**. The envelopes with the Financial Proposal shall remain sealed and shall be securely stored with a reputable public auditor or independent authority until they are opened in accordance with ITC 23.
- 19.2 At the opening of the Technical Proposals the following shall be read out: (i) the name and the country of the Consultant or, in case of a Joint Venture, the name of the Joint Venture, the name of the lead member and the names and the countries of all members; (ii) the presence or absence of a duly sealed envelope with the Financial Proposal; (iii) any modifications to the Proposal submitted prior to proposal submission deadline; and (iv) any other information deemed appropriate or as indicated in the **Data Sheet**.

### 20. Proposals Evaluation

- 20.1 Subject to provision of ITC 15.1, the evaluators of the Technical Proposals shall have no access to the Financial Proposals until the technical evaluation is concluded and the Bank issues its "no objection", if applicable.
- 20.2 The Consultant is not permitted to alter or modify its Proposal in any way after the proposal submission deadline except as permitted under ITC 12.7. While evaluating the Proposals, the Client will conduct the evaluation solely on the basis of the submitted Technical and Financial Proposals.

### 21. Evaluation of Technical Proposals

21.1 The Client's evaluation committee shall evaluate the Technical Proposals on the basis of their responsiveness to the Terms of Reference and the RFP, applying the evaluation criteria, sub-criteria, and point system specified in the **Data Sheet**. Each responsive Proposal will be given a technical score. A Proposal shall be rejected at this stage if it does not respond to important aspects of the RFP or if it fails to achieve the minimum technical score indicated in the **Data Sheet**.

## 22. Financial Proposals for

22.1 Following the ranking of the Technical Proposals, when the selection is based on quality only (QBS), the top-ranked

**QBS** 

Consultant is invited to negotiate the Contract.

- 22.2 If Financial Proposals were invited together with the Technical Proposals, only the Financial Proposal of the technically top-ranked Consultant is opened by the Client's evaluation committee. All other Financial Proposals are returned unopened after the Contract negotiations are successfully concluded and the Contract is signed.
- 23. Public Opening of Financial Proposals (for QCBS, FBS, and LCS methods)
- 23.1 After the technical evaluation is completed and the Bank has issued its no objection (if applicable), the Client shall notify those Consultants whose Proposals were considered non-responsive to the RFP and TOR or did not meet the minimum qualifying technical score, advising them the following:
  - (i) their Proposal was not responsive to the RFP and TOR or did not meet the minimum qualifying technical score;
  - (ii) provide information relating to the Consultant's overall technical score, as well as scores obtained for each criterion and sub-criterion:
  - (iii) their Financial Proposals will be returned unopened after completing the selection process and Contract signing; and
  - (iv) notify them of the date, time and location of the public opening of the Financial Proposals and invite them to attend.
- 23.2 The Client shall simultaneously notify in writing those Consultants whose Proposals were considered responsive to the RFP and TOR, and that have achieved the minimum qualifying technical score, advising them the following:
  - (i) their Proposal was responsive to the RFP and TOR and met the minimum qualifying technical score:
  - (ii) provide information relating to the Consultant's overall technical score, as well as scores obtained for each criterion and sub-criterion:
  - (iii) their Financial Proposal will be opened at the public opening of Financial Proposals; and

- (iv) notify them of the date, time and location of the public opening and invite them for the opening of the Financial Proposals.
- 23.3 The opening date should allow the Consultants sufficient time to make arrangements for attending the opening and shall be no less than seven (7) Business Days from the date of notification of the results of the technical evaluation, described in ITC 23.1 and 23.2.
- 23.4 The Consultant's attendance at the opening of the Financial Proposals (in person, or online if such option is indicated in the **Data Sheet**) is optional and is at the Consultant's choice.
- 23.5 The Financial Proposals shall be opened publicly by the Client's evaluation committee in the presence of the representatives of the Consultants and anyone else who chooses to attend. Any interested party who wishes to attend this public opening should contact the client as indicated in the Data Sheet. Alternatively, a notice of the public opening of Financial Proposals may be published on the Client's website, if available. At the opening, the names of the Consultants, and the overall technical scores, including the break-down by criterion, shall be read aloud. The Financial Proposals will then be inspected to confirm that they have remained sealed and unopened. These Financial Proposals shall be then opened, and the total prices read aloud and recorded. Copies of the record shall be sent to all Consultants who submitted Proposals and to the Bank.

### 24. Correction of Errors

24.1 Activities and items described in the Technical Proposal but not priced in the Financial Proposal, shall be assumed to be included in the prices of other activities or items, and no corrections are made to the Financial Proposal.

#### a. Time-Based Contracts

24.1.1 If a Time-Based contract form is included in the RFP, the Client's evaluation committee will (a) correct any computational or arithmetical errors, and (b) adjust the prices if they fail to reflect all inputs included for the respective activities or items included in the Technical Proposal. In case of discrepancy between (i) a partial amount (subtotal) and the total amount, or (ii) between the amount derived by multiplication of unit price with quantity and the total price, or (iii) between words and figures, the former will prevail. In case

of discrepancy between the Technical and Financial Proposals in indicating quantities of input, the Technical Proposal prevails and the Client's evaluation committee shall correct the quantification indicated in the Financial Proposal so as to make it consistent with that indicated in the Technical Proposal, apply the relevant unit price included in the Financial Proposal to the corrected quantity, and correct the total Proposal cost.

### **b. Lump-Sum Contracts**

24.1.2 If a Lump-Sum contract form is included in the RFP, the Consultant is deemed to have included all prices in the Financial Proposal, so neither arithmetical corrections nor price adjustments shall be made. The total price, net of taxes understood as per ITC 25, specified in the Financial Proposal (Form FIN-1) shall be considered as the offered price. Where there is a discrepancy between the amount in words and the amount figures, the amount in words shall prevail.

#### 25. Taxes

- 25.1 The Client's evaluation of the Consultant's Financial Proposal shall exclude taxes and duties in the Client's country in accordance with the instructions in the **Data Sheet**.
- 26. Conversion to Single Currency
- 26.1 For the evaluation purposes, prices shall be converted to a single currency using the selling rates of exchange, source and date indicated in the **Data Sheet**.

# 27. Combined Quality and Cost Evaluation

- a. Quality and Cost-BasedSelection (QCBS)
- 27.1 In the case of QCBS, the total score is calculated by weighting the technical and financial scores and adding them as per the formula and instructions in the **Data Sheet**. The Consultant with the Most Advantageous Proposal, which is the Proposal that achieves the highest combined technical and financial scores, will be invited for negotiations.

### b. Fixed-Budget Selection (FBS)

- 27.2 In the case of FBS, those Proposals that exceed the budget indicated in ITC 14.1.4 of the **Data Sheet** shall be rejected.
- 27.3 The Client will select the Consultant with the Most

Advantageous Proposal, which is the highest-ranked Technical Proposal that does not exceed the budget indicated in the RFP, and invite such Consultant to negotiate the Contract.

#### c. Least-Cost Selection

27.4 In the case of Least-Cost Selection (LCS), the Client will select the Consultant with the Most Advantageous Proposal, which is the Proposal with the lowest evaluated total price among those Proposals that achieved the minimum qualifying technical score, and invite such a Consultant to negotiate the Contract.

### D. Negotiations and Award

#### 28. Negotiations

- 28.1 The negotiations will be held at the date and address indicated in the Data Sheet with the Consultant's representative(s) who must have written power of attorney to negotiate and sign a Contract on behalf of the Consultant.
- 28.2 The Client shall prepare minutes of negotiations that are signed by the Client and the Consultant's authorized representative.

### a. Availability of Key Experts

- 28.3 The invited Consultant shall confirm the availability of all Key Experts included in the Proposal as a pre-requisite to the negotiations, or, if applicable, a replacement in accordance with ITC 12. Failure to confirm the Key Experts' availability may result in the rejection of the Consultant's Proposal and the Client proceeding to negotiate the Contract with the next-ranked Consultant.
- 28.4 Notwithstanding the above, the substitution of Key Experts at the negotiations may be considered if due solely to circumstances outside the reasonable control of and not foreseeable by the Consultant, including but not limited to death or medical incapacity. In such case, the Consultant shall offer a substitute Key Expert within the period of time specified in the letter of invitation to negotiate the Contract, who shall have equivalent or better qualifications and experience than the original candidate.

### b. Technical Negotiations

28.5 The negotiations include discussions of the Terms of Reference (TORs), the proposed methodology, the Client's inputs, the special conditions of the Contract, and finalizing the "Description of Services" part of the Contract. These discussions shall not substantially alter the original scope

of services under the TOR or the terms of the contract, lest the quality of the final product, its price, or the relevance of the initial evaluation be affected.

### c. Financial Negotiations

- 28.6 The negotiations include the clarification of the Consultant's tax liability in the Client's country and how it should be reflected in the Contract.
- 28.7 If the selection method included cost as a factor in the evaluation, the total price stated in the Financial Proposal for a Lump-Sum contract shall not be negotiated.
- 28.8 In the case of a Time-Based contract, unit rates negotiations shall not take place, except when the offered Key Experts and Non-Key Experts' remuneration rates are much higher than the typically charged rates by consultants in similar contracts. In such case, the Client may ask for clarifications and, if the fees are very high, ask to change the rates after consultation with the Bank. The format for (i) providing information on remuneration rates in the case of Quality Based Selection; and (ii) clarifying remuneration rates' structure under this Clause, is provided in Appendix A to the Financial Form FIN-3: Financial Negotiations Breakdown of Remuneration Rates.

## 29. Conclusion of Negotiations

- 29.1 The negotiations are concluded with a review of the finalized draft Contract, which then shall be initialed by the Client and the Consultant's authorized representative.
- 29.2 If the negotiations fail, the Client shall inform the Consultant in writing of all pending issues and disagreements and provide a final opportunity to the Consultant to respond. If disagreement persists, the Client shall terminate the negotiations informing the Consultant of the reasons for doing so. After having obtained the Bank's no objection, the Client will invite the next-ranked Consultant to negotiate a Contract. Once the Client commences negotiations with the next-ranked Consultant, the Client shall not reopen the earlier negotiations.

#### 30. Standstill Period

30.1 The Contract shall not be awarded earlier than the expiry of the Standstill Period. The Standstill Period shall be ten (10) Business Days unless extended in accordance with ITC 33. The Standstill Period commences the day after the date the Client has transmitted to each Consultant (that has not already been notified that it has been unsuccessful) the Notification of Intention to Award the Contract. Where only one Proposal is submitted, or if this contract is in

response to an emergency situation recognized by the Bank, the Standstill Period shall not apply.

# 31. Notification of Intention to Award

- 31.1 The Client shall send to each Consultant (that has not already been notified that it has been unsuccessful) the Notification of Intention to Award the Contract to the successful Consultant. The Notification of Intention to Award shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
  - (a) the name and address of the Consultant with whom the client successfully negotiated a contract;
  - (b) the contract price of the successful Proposal;
  - (c) the names of all Consultants included in the short list, indicating those that submitted Proposals;
  - (d) where the selection method requires, the price offered by each Consultant as read out and as evaluated:
  - (e) the overall technical scores and scores assigned for each criterion and sub-criterion to each Consultant;
  - (f) the final combined scores and the final ranking of the Consultants;
  - (g) a statement of the reason(s) why the recipient's Proposal was unsuccessful, unless the combined score in (f) above already reveals the reason;
  - (h) the expiry date of the Standstill Period; and
  - (i) instructions on how to request a debriefing and/or submit a complaint during the Standstill Period.

### 32. Notification of Award

32.1 Upon expiry of the Standstill Period, specified in ITC 30.1 or any extension thereof, and upon satisfactorily addressing any complaint that has been filed within the Standstill Period, the Client shall, send a notification of award to the successful Consultant, confirming the Client's intention to award the Contract to the successful Consultant and requesting the successful Consultant to sign and return the draft negotiated Contract within eight (8) Business Days from the date of receipt of such notification. If specified in the **Data Sheet**, the client shall simultaneously request the successful Consultant to submit, within eight (8) Business Days, the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form.

#### Contract Award Notice

Within ten (10) Business Days from the date of notification

of award such request, the Client shall publish the Contract Award Notice which shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:

- (a) name and address of the Client;
- (b) name and reference number of the contract being awarded, and the selection method used;
- (c) names of the consultants that submitted proposals, and their proposal prices as read out at financial proposal opening, and as evaluated;
- (d) names of all Consultants whose Proposals were rejected or were not evaluated, with the reasons therefor;
- (e) the name of the successful consultant, the final total contract price, the contract duration and a summary of its scope; and.
- (f) successful Consultant's Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form, if specified in Data Sheet ITC 32.1.
- 32.2 The Contract Award Notice shall be published on the Client's website with free access if available, or in at least one newspaper of national circulation in the Client's Country, or in the official gazette. The Client shall also publish the contract award notice in UNDB online

## 33. Debriefing by the Client

- 33.1 On receipt of the Client's Notification of Intention to Award referred to in ITC 31.1, an unsuccessful Consultant has three (3) Business Days to make a written request to the Client for a debriefing. The Client shall provide a debriefing to all unsuccessful Consultants whose request is received within this deadline.
- 33.2 Where a request for debriefing is received within the deadline, the Client shall provide a debriefing within five (5) Business Days, unless the Client decides, for justifiable reasons, to provide the debriefing outside this timeframe. In that case, the standstill period shall automatically be extended until five (5) Business Days after such debriefing is provided. If more than one debriefing is so delayed, the standstill period shall not end earlier than five (5) Business Days after the last debriefing takes place. The Client shall promptly inform, by the quickest means available, all Consultants of the extended standstill period
- 33.3 Where a request for debriefing is received by the Client

later than the three (3)-Business Day deadline, the Client should provide the debriefing as soon as practicable, and normally no later than fifteen (15) Business Days from the date of publication of Public Notice of Award of contract. Requests for debriefing received outside the three (3)-day deadline shall not lead to extension of the standstill period.

- 33.4 Debriefings of unsuccessful Consultants may be done in writing or verbally. The Consultants shall bear their own costs of attending such a debriefing meeting
- 34. Signing of Contract
- 34.1 The Contract shall be signed prior to the expiration of the Proposal Validity Period and promptly after expiry of the Standstill Period, specified in ITC 30.1 or any extension thereof, and upon satisfactorily addressing any complaint that has been filed within the Standstill Period.
- 34.2 The Consultant is expected to commence the assignment on the date and at the location specified in the **Data Sheet**.
- 35. Procurement Related Complaint
- 35.1 The procedures for making a Procurement-related Complaint are as specified in the **Data Sheet**.

### **Section 2. Instructions to Consultants**

### E. Data Sheet

ITC Reference	A. General
1 (b)	Country: India
1 (l)	Electronic –Procurement System
	The Client shall use the following electronic-procurement system to manage this Request for Proposal (RFP) process:
	www.assamtenders.gov.in
	The electronic-procurement system shall be used to manage the following part of the RFP process: issuing RFP, submissions of Proposals, opening of Proposals etc
2.1	Name of the Client: Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society (AIWTDS)
	<b>Method of selection</b> : Quality Cum Cost Based Selection (QCBS) (80:20)_as per_the Procurement Regulations (available on www.worldbank.org)
2.2	Financial Proposal to be submitted together with Technical Proposal:
	Yes
	The name of the assignment is: Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) along with Engineering Design, Drawings, Tender Documents for Construction of Modular Terminal at Ferry Services of NW-2 and NW-16 in Assam.
2.3	A pre-proposal conference will be held: Yes
	Date of pre-proposal conference: 8th- June- 2021
	Time: 11 AM
	The interested bidders who wish to participate in the pre-bid may send the name & email ids of authorised representatives to this office email id: <a href="mailto:dir.iwtds-as@gov.in">dir.iwtds-as@gov.in</a> on or before 05/06/2021 by 1600 Hrs

	Country India		
	Country: India		
	Contact person/conference coordinator: Gautam Das, ACS- Additional State Project Director, AIWTDS		
2.4	The Client will provide the following inputs, project data, reports, etc. to facilitate the preparation of the Proposals: NA		
4.1	Not Applicable		
6.3.1	A list of debarred firms and individuals is available at the Bank's external website: <a href="https://www.worldbank.org/debarr">www.worldbank.org/debarr</a>		
	B. Preparation of Proposals		
9.1	This RFP has been issued in the English language.		
	Proposals shall be submitted in English language.		
	All correspondence exchange shall be in English language.		
10.1	The Proposal shall comprise the following:		
	For FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL (FTP):		
	To Be Submitted in the TECHNICAL FOLDER available in the e-procurement portal under the RFP :		
	(1) Power of Attorney to sign the Proposal		
	(2) TECH-1		
	(3) TECH-2		
	(4) TECH-3		
	(5) TECH-4		
	(6) TECH-5		
	(7) TECH-6		
	(8) TECH-7 Code of Conduct (ESHS) [Note to Client: include this for supervision of civil works contracts: The Consultant shall submit the Code of Conduct that will apply to the Consultant's Key Experts and Non-Key Experts, to ensure compliance with good Environmental, Social, Health and Safety (ESHS) practice. In addition, the Consultant shall submit an outline of how this Code of Conduct will be implemented. The successful Consultant shall be required to implement the agreed Code of Conduct upon		

	contract award.]
	AND
	To Be Submitted in the FINANCIAL FOLDER available in the e- procurement portal under the RFP:
	(1) FIN-1
	(2) FIN-2
	(3) FIN-3
	(4) FIN-4
	(5) Statement of Undertaking (if required under Data Sheet 10.2 below)
	( ALL FIN FORMS SHALL BE SUBMITTED IN THE FINANICAL FOLDER ONLY. PROPOSAL SHALL BE SUMMARILY REJECTED IN CASE BIDDER SUBMIT ANY PRICE INFORMATION OTHER THAN FINANCIAL FOLDER)
10.2	Statement of Undertaking is required Yes
11.1	Participation of Sub-consultants, Key Experts and Non-Key Experts in more than one Proposal is permissible Yes
12.1	Proposals must remain valid for 120 days after the proposal submission deadline.
13.1	Clarifications may be requested no later than 14 days prior to the submission deadline.
	The contact information for requesting clarifications is:
	State Project Director, Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society, Near Ulubari, Flyover, Guwahati-781007; E-mail: dir.iwtds-as@gov.in; Tel: +91 361-2526421
14.1.1	Shortlisted Consultants may associate with
	(a) non-shortlisted consultant(s): No

	Or (b) other shortlisted Consultants: No
14.1.2	Estimated input of Key Experts' time-input: 36.5 person-months.
15.2	The format of the Technical Proposal to be submitted is:  FTP.  Submission of the Technical Proposal in a wrong format may lead to the Proposal being deemed non-responsive to the RFP requirements.
16.1	<ol> <li>a per diem allowance, including hotel, for experts for every day of absence from the home office for the purposes of the Services;</li> <li>cost of travel by the most appropriate means of transport and the most direct practicable route;</li> <li>cost of office accommodation, including overheads and back-stop support;</li> <li>communications costs;</li> <li>cost of purchase or rent or freight of any equipment required to be provided by the Consultants;</li> <li>cost of reports production (including printing) and delivering to the Client;</li> <li>other allowances where applicable and provisional or fixed sums (if any)]</li> </ol>
16.2	A price adjustment provision applies to remuneration rates:
16.3	Information on the Consultant's tax obligations in the Client's country can be found under section 194J of Income Tax act 1961 or other relevant provisions of theact.www.incometaxindia.gov.in, www.finmin.nic.in
16.4	The Financial Proposal shall be stated in the following currencies: Indian Rupees (INR) The Financial Proposal should state local costs in the Client's country

	currency (local currency): Yes									
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17.1		The Consultants "shall" have the option of submitting their Proposals electronically.								
	The electronic submission procedures shall be: as per the e-portal of www.assamtenders.gov.in/									
17.4	The	Cons	ultant must submit the proposals vide www.a	assamtenders.gov.in/						
17.7 and	The l	Prop	osals must be submitted no later than:							
17.9	Date	: 20th	June 2021							
	Time	e: 140	0 hrs							
19.1	An online option of the opening of the Technical Proposals is offered:									
	The o	openi	ng shall take place at:							
	Ulub	ari Fl	Assam Inland Water Transport Development Scoor/ Room number: 3rd Floor, Directorate of In Assam City: Guwahati, Assam							
	PIN/I	Postal	Code: 781 007							
	Coun	ıtry: I	NDIA.							
	Date	: sam	e as the submission deadline indicated in 17.7.							
	Time	e: 160	0 Hrs							
19.2		In addition, the following information will be read aloud at the opening of the Technical Proposals No additional information.								
<b>21.1</b> (for FTP)			ab-criteria, and point system for the evaluation Proposals:	of the Full						
			Sub-Criteria & Percentage Weights for Key Experts	Points/Marks						
		1	Avg Annual Turnover from consultancy	5						

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		will get one mark for every crore, to a	
		maximum of 5 marks i.e. INR 7 crores = 1	
		marks, INR 8 crores = 2 marks INR11	
		Crores = 5 marks	
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		5 (Five) similar assignment out of which at	
		least 2 (two) projects shall be of Detailed	
		Project Report/ Feasibility study on Inland	
		Water Transport Sector in the last 5 years	
		Tailor Transport Sector in the last 5 years	
		Similar assignment is defined as the	
		Detailed Project Report/ Feasibility Study in	
		the sectors of Inland Water Transport/ Jetty/	
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		Transport = 5 Marks	
	2	Adequacy for the Assignment (relevant	
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		assignments) as specified for each key	
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		expert position in TOR.	10
		expert position in TOR.  Technical Approach and Methodology	10
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	3 A	expert position in TOR.  Technical Approach and Methodology  Organization & Staffing and Work plan	10
		expert position in TOR.  Technical Approach and Methodology Organization & Staffing and Work plan  Key Experts' qualifications and competence for the Assignment  Team Leader	10 <b>70</b>
	A	expert position in TOR.  Technical Approach and Methodology Organization & Staffing and Work plan  Key Experts' qualifications and competence for the Assignment  Team Leader  Structural Engineer	10 <b>70</b> 10
	A B	expert position in TOR.  Technical Approach and Methodology Organization & Staffing and Work plan  Key Experts' qualifications and competence for the Assignment  Team Leader  Structural Engineer  Geotechnical Engineer	10 <b>70</b> 10 7
	A B C	expert position in TOR.  Technical Approach and Methodology Organization & Staffing and Work plan  Key Experts' qualifications and competence for the Assignment  Team Leader  Structural Engineer	10 <b>70</b> 10 7 7

G	Procurement Specialist	6
Н	Naval Architect / Mechanical Engineer	6
I	Environmental Specialist	5
G	Social Developmental Specialist	5
J	Architect (Support Staff)	3
K	Quantity Surveyor (Support Staff)	3
		100

The minimum technical score (St) required to pass is: 75%

	Sub-Criteria & Percentage Weights for Key Experts	Weightage
1	General and additional higher qualifications (education, training, certifications etc.) as specified for each key expert position in TOR.	10%
2	Adequacy for the Assignment (relevant experience in the sector/similar assignments) as specified for each key expert position in TOR.	80%
3	Relevant experience in the region (working level fluency in local language(s)/knowledge of local culture, administrative system, and state government) for each key expert in TOR.	10%

Total points for the three criteria: 100

The minimum technical score (St) required to pass is: 75

## **Public Opening of Financial Proposals**

# 23.4 An online option of the opening of the Financial Proposals is offered: Yes

For the purpose of the evaluation, the Client will exclude: (a) all local identifiable indirect taxes such as GST, sales tax, excise tax, VAT, or similar taxes levied on the contract's invoices; and (b) all additional local indirect tax on the remuneration of services rendered by non-resident experts in the Client's country. If a Contract is awarded, at Contract negotiations, all such taxes will be discussed, finalized (using the itemized list as a guidance but not limiting to it) and added to the Contract amount as a separate line, also indicating which taxes shall be paid by the Consultant and which taxes are withheld and paid by the Client on behalf of the Consultant.

26.1	The single currency for the conversion of all prices expressed in various currencies into a single one is: Does not applicable
	The official source of the selling (exchange) rate is:
27.1 (QCBS	The lowest evaluated Financial Proposal (Fm) is given the maximum financial score (Sf) of 100.
only)	The formula for determining the financial scores (Sf) of all other Proposals is calculated as following:
	Sf = 100  x Fm/ F, in which "Sf" is the financial score, "Fm" is the lowest price, and "F" the price of the proposal under consideration.
	The weights given to the Technical (T) and Financial (P) Proposals are:
	T = 80, and
	$\mathbf{P} = 20$
	Proposals are ranked according to their combined technical (St) and financial (Sf) scores using the weights ( $T = the weight given to the Technical Proposal; P = the weight given to the Financial Proposal; T + P = 1) as following: S = St \times T\% + Sf \times P\%.$
	D. Negotiations and Award
28.1	Expected date and address for contract negotiations:
	<b>Date</b> : June 30, 2021
	Address:
	Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society, G.S. Road, Ulubari Floor/ Room number: 3rd Floor, Directorate of Inland Water Transport, Assam City: Guwahati, Assam
	PIN/Postal Code: 781 007
34.2	Expected date for the commencement of the Services:
	<b>Date</b> : July 15, 2021 <b>at</b> : Assam
35.1	The procedures for making a Procurement-related Complaint are detailed in the "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (Annex III)." If a Consultant wishes to make a Procurement-related Complaint, the Consultant shall submit its complaint following these procedures, In Writing (by the

quickest means available, such as by email or fax), to:

For the attention: Shri Adil Khan, IAS Title/position: State Project Director

**Client**: Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society Third Floor, Directorate of Inland Water Transport, GS Road, Ulubari, Guwahati-781007:

Email address: - dir.iwtds-as@gov.in;

In summary, a Procurement-related Complaint may challenge any of the following:

- 1. the terms of this Request for Proposal;
- **2.** the Client's decision to exclude a Consultant from the procurement process prior to the award of contract; and
- 3. the Client's decision to award the contract.

# **Section 3. Technical Proposal – Standard Forms**

{Notes to Consultant shown in brackets { } throughout Section 3 provide guidance to the Consultant to prepare the Technical Proposal; they should not appear on the Proposals to be submitted.}

#### **CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED FORMS**

Requir FTP o		FORM	DESCRIPTION	Page Limit
FTP	STP			
<b>✓</b>	✓	TECH-1	Technical Proposal Submission Form.	
<b>√</b> appli	If cable	TECH-1 Attachment	If the Proposal is submitted by a joint venture, attach a letter of intent or a copy of an existing agreement.	
Power of Attorney  ✓ If applicable			No pre-set format/form. In the case of a Joint Venture, several are required: a power of attorney for the authorized representative of each JV member, and a power of attorney for the representative of the lead member to represent all JV members	
✓		TECH-2	Consultant's Organization and Experience.	
✓		TECH-2A	A. Consultant's Organization	
✓		TECH-2B	B. Consultant's Experience	
<b>✓</b>		TECH-3	Comments or Suggestions on the Terms of Reference and on Counterpart Staff and Facilities to be provided by the Client.	
✓		TECH-3A	A. On the Terms of Reference	
✓		TECH-3B	B. On the Counterpart Staff and Facilities	
✓	✓	TECH-4	Description of the Approach, Methodology, and Work Plan for Performing the Assignment	
✓	✓	TECH-5	Work Schedule and Planning for Deliverables	
<b>✓</b>	✓	TECH-6	Team Composition, Key Experts Inputs, and attached Curriculum Vitae (CV)	
✓	✓	TECH-7	Code of Conduct (ESHS)	

All pages of the original Technical and Financial Proposal shall be initialed by the same authorized representative of the Consultant who signs the Proposal.

#### FORM TECH-1

#### TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

{Location, Date}

To: [Name and address of Client]

#### Dear Sirs:

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consulting services for [Insert title of assignment] in accordance with your Request for Proposals (RFP) dated [Insert Date] and our Proposal. [Select appropriate wording depending on the selection method stated in the RFP: "We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal and a Financial Proposal sealed in a separate envelope" or, if only a Technical Proposal is invited "We hereby are submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal only in a sealed envelope."].

{If the Consultant is a joint venture, insert the following: We are submitting our Proposal a joint venture with: {Insert a list with full name and the legal address of each member, and indicate the lead member}. We have attached a copy {insert: "of our letter of intent to form a joint venture" or, if a JV is already formed, "of the JV agreement"} signed by every participating member, which details the likely legal structure of and the confirmation of joint and severable liability of the members of the said joint venture.

#### {OR

If the Consultant's Proposal includes Sub-consultants, insert the following: We are submitting our Proposal with the following firms as Sub-consultants: {Insert a list with full name and address of each Sub-consultant.}

#### We hereby declare that:

- (a) All the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and we accept that any misinterpretation or misrepresentation contained in this Proposal may lead to our disqualification by the Client and/or may be sanctioned by the Bank.
- (b) Our Proposal shall be valid and remain binding upon us for the period of time specified in the Data Sheet, ITC 12.1.
- (c) We have no conflict of interest in accordance with ITC 3.

Email:

- (d) We meet the eligibility requirements as stated in ITC 6, and we confirm our understanding of our obligation to abide by the Bank's policy in regard to Fraud and Corruption as per ITC 5.
- (e) We, along with any of our sub-consultants, subcontractors, suppliers, or service providers for any part of the contract, are not subject to, and not controlled by any entity or individual that is subject to, a temporary suspension or a debarment imposed by the World Bank Group or a debarment imposed by the World Bank Group in accordance with the Agreement for Mutual Enforcement of Debarment Decisions between the World Bank and other development banks. Further, we are not ineligible under the Client's country laws or official regulations or pursuant to a decision of the United Nations Security Council;
- (f) In competing for (and, if the award is made to us, in executing) the Contract, we undertake to observe the laws against fraud and corruption, including bribery, in force in the country of the Client.
- (g) Except as stated in the Data Sheet, ITC 12.7, we undertake to negotiate a Contract on the basis of the proposed Key Experts. We accept that the substitution of Key Experts for reasons other than those stated in ITC 12 and ITC 28.4 may lead to the termination of Contract negotiations.
- (h) Our Proposal is binding upon us and subject to any modifications resulting from the Contract negotiations.

We undertake, if our Proposal is accepted and the Contract is signed, to initiate the Services related to the assignment no later than the date indicated in ITC 34.2 of the Data Sheet.

We understand that the Client is not bound to accept any Proposal that the Client receives.

Yours sincerely,

Signature (of Consultant's authorized representative) {In full and initials}:

Full name: {insert full name of authorized representative}

Title: {insert title/position of authorized representative}

Name of Consultant (company's name or JV's name):

Capacity: {insert the person's capacity to sign for the Consultant}

Address: {insert the authorized representative's address}

Phone/fax: {insert the authorized representative's phone and fax number, if applicable}

{insert the authorized representative's email address}

{For a joint venture, either all members shall sign or only the lead member, in which case the power of attorney to sign on behalf of all members shall be attached}

## FORM TECH-2 (FOR FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL ONLY)

#### CONSULTANT'S ORGANIZATION AND EXPERIENCE

Form TECH-2: a brief description of the Consultant's organization and an outline of the recent experience of the Consultant that is most relevant to the assignment. In the case of a joint venture, information on similar assignments shall be provided for each partner. For each assignment, the outline should indicate the names of the Consultant's Key Experts and Subconsultants who participated, the duration of the assignment, the contract amount (total and, if it was done in a form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy, the amount paid to the Consultant), and the Consultant's role/involvement.

## A - Consultant's Organization

- 1. Provide here a brief description of the background and organization of your company, and in case of a joint venture of each member for this assignment.
- 2. Include organizational chart, a list of Board of Directors, and beneficial ownership. [If required under Data Sheet ITC 32.1, the successful Consultant shall provide additional information on beneficial ownership, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form.]

# **B** - Consultant's Experience

- 1. List only previous <u>similar</u> assignments successfully completed in the last [.....] years.
- 2. List only those assignments for which the Consultant was legally contracted by the Client as a company or was one of the joint venture members. Assignments completed by the Consultant's individual experts working privately or through other consulting firms cannot be claimed as the relevant experience of the Consultant, or that of the Consultant's partners or sub-consultants, but can be claimed by the Experts themselves in their CVs. The Consultant should be prepared to substantiate the claimed experience by presenting copies of relevant documents and references if so requested by the Client.

Duration	Assignment name/& brief description of main deliverables/outputs	Name of Client & Country of Assignment	Approx. Contract value (in US\$ equivalent)/ Amount paid to your firm	Role on the Assignment
{e.g., Jan.2009– Apr.2010}	{e.g., "Improvement quality of": designed master plan for rationalization of; }	{e.g., Ministry of, country}	{e.g., US\$1 mill/US\$0.5 mill}	{e.g., Lead partner in a JV A&B&C}
{e.g., Jan- May 2008}	{e.g., "Support to sub- national government": drafted secondary level regulations on}	{e.g., municipality of, country}	{e.g., US\$0.2 mil/US\$0.2 mil}	{e.g., sole Consultant}

## FORM TECH-3 (FOR FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL)

# COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS ON THE TERMS OF REFERENCE, COUNTERPART STAFF, AND FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CLIENT

Form TECH-3: comments and suggestions on the Terms of Reference that could improve the quality/effectiveness of the assignment; and on requirements for counterpart staff and facilities, which are provided by the Client, including: administrative support, office space, local transportation, equipment, data, etc.

#### A - On the Terms of Reference

{improvements to the Terms of Reference, if any}

## **B - On Counterpart Staff and Facilities**

{comments on counterpart staff and facilities to be provided by the Client. For example, administrative support, office space, local transportation, equipment, data, background reports, etc., if any}

### FORM TECH-4 (FOR FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL ONLY)

# DESCRIPTION OF APPROACH, METHODOLOGY, AND WORK PLAN IN RESPONDING TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Form TECH-4: a description of the approach, methodology and work plan for performing the assignment, including a detailed description of the proposed methodology and staffing for training, if the Terms of Reference specify training as a specific component of the assignment.

{Suggested structure of your Technical Proposal (in FTP format):

- a) Technical Approach and Methodology
- b) Work Plan
- c) Organization and Staffing}
- a) <u>Technical Approach and Methodology.</u> {Please explain your understanding of the objectives of the assignment as outlined in the Terms of Reference (TORs), the technical approach, and the methodology you would adopt for implementing the tasks [Note to Client: add the following for supervision of civil works contracts: including the Environmental, Social (including sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) and gender based violence (GBV)), Health and Safety (ESHS) aspects] to deliver the expected output(s), and the degree of detail of such output. <u>Please do not repeat/copy the TORs in here.</u>}
- b) <u>Work Plan.</u> {Please outline the plan for the implementation of the main activities/tasks of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the Client), and tentative delivery dates of the reports. The proposed work plan should be consistent with the technical approach and methodology, showing your understanding of the TOR and ability to translate them into a feasible working plan. A list of the final documents (including reports) to be delivered as final output(s) should be included here. The work plan should be consistent with the Work Schedule Form.}
- c) <u>Organization and Staffing.</u> {Please describe the structure and composition of your team, including the list of the Key Experts, Non-Key Experts and relevant technical and administrative support staff.}

# FORM TECH-5 (FOR FTP)

# WORK SCHEDULE AND PLANNING FOR DELIVERABLES

N°	Deliverables <sup>1</sup> (D)						N	/lonths				
'	Deliverables (D)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	 n	TOTAL
D-1	{e.g., Deliverable #1: Report A											
	1) data collection											
	2) drafting											
	3) inception report											
	4) incorporating comments											
	5) delivery of final report to Client}											
D-2	{e.g., Deliverable #2:}											

<sup>1</sup> List the deliverables with the breakdown for activities required to produce them and other benchmarks such as the Client's approvals. For phased assignments, indicate the activities, delivery of reports, and benchmarks separately for each phase.

<sup>2</sup> Duration of activities shall be indicated in a form of a bar chart.

<sup>3.</sup> Include a legend, if necessary, to help read the chart.

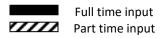
# FORM TECH-6 (FOR FTP)

# TEAM COMPOSITION, ASSIGNMENT, AND KEY EXPERTS' INPUTS

N°	Name	Expert's input (in person/month) per each Deliverable (listed in TECH-5)								Total time-input (in Months)  Home Field Total		
		Position		D-1	D-2	D-3		D	Home	Field	Total	
KEY	EXPERTS	<u> </u>	L	<u>l</u>	•	1 1		<u> </u>				
K-1	{e.g., Mr. Abbbb}	[Team Leader]	[Home] [Field]	[2 month]	[1.0]	[1.0]			2000	XXXX	-	
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K-2						<del></del>			2000	<u> </u>	1	
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NON	-KEY EXPERTS							•	•	•	•	
N-1			[Home]							XXXX	•	
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N-2									38888	~~~~		
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								Total		(XXXX)	4	

<sup>1</sup> For Key Experts, the input should be indicated individually for the same positions as required under the Data Sheet ITC21.1.

- 2 Months are counted from the start of the assignment/mobilization. One (1) month equals twenty two (22) working (billable) days. One working (billable) day shall be not less than eight (8) working (billable) hours.
- 3 "Home" means work in the office in the expert's country of residence. "Field" work means work carried out in the Client's country or any other country outside the expert's country of residence.



# FORM TECH-6 (CONTINUED)

# **CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)**

Position Title and No.	{e.g., K-1, TEAM LEADER}
Name of Expert:	{Insert full name}
Date of Birth:	{day/month/year}
Country of Citizenship/Residence	

<b>Education:</b> {List college/university or other specialized education, giving names of
educational institutions, dates attended, degree(s)/diploma(s) obtained}

**Employment record relevant to the assignment:** {Starting with present position, list in reverse order. Please provide dates, name of employing organization, titles of positions held, types of activities performed and location of the assignment, and contact information of previous clients and employing organization(s) who can be contacted for references. Past employment that is not relevant to the assignment does not need to be included.}

Period	Employing organization and your title/position. Contact information for references	Country	Summary of activities performed relevant to the Assignment
[e.g., May 2005- present]	[e.g., Ministry of, advisor/consultant to		
	For references: Tel/e-mail; Mr. Hbbbbb, deputy minister]		

Membership in Professional Associations and Publications:	
Language Skills (indicate only languages in which you can work):	

## **Adequacy for the Assignment:**

Detailed Tasks Assigned on Consultant's Team of Experts:	Reference to Prior Work/Assignments that Best Illustrates Capability to Handle the Assigned Tasks
{List all deliverables/tasks as in TECH- 5 in which the Expert will be involved)	

Expert's contact information:	(e-mail	, phone)
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#### **Certification:**

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this CV correctly describes myself, my qualifications, and my experience, and I am available, as and when necessary, to undertake the assignment in case of an award. I understand that any misstatement or misrepresentation described herein may lead to my disqualification or dismissal by the Client, and/or sanctions by the Bank.

		{day/month/year}
Name of Expert	Signature	Date
		{day/month/year}
Name of authorized Representative of the Consultant (the same who signs the Proposal)	Signature	Date

# Section 4. Financial Proposal - Standard Forms

( ALL FIN FORMS SHALL BE SUBMITTED IN THE FINANICAL FOLDER ONLY. PROPOSAL SHALL BE SUMMARILY REJECTED IN CASE BIDDER SUBMIT ANY PRICE INFORMATION OTHER THAN FINANCIAL FOLDER)

{*Notes to Consultant* shown in brackets { } provide guidance to the Consultant to prepare the Financial Proposals; they should not appear on the Financial Proposals to be submitted.}

Financial Proposal Standard Forms shall be used for the preparation of the Financial Proposal according to the instructions provided in Section 2.

- FIN-1 Financial Proposal Submission Form
   FIN-2 Summary of Costs
   FIN-3 Breakdown of Remuneration, including Appendix A "Financial Negotiations Breakdown of Remuneration Rates" in the case of QBS method
- FIN-4 Reimbursable expenses

# FORM FIN-1 FINANCIAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

		{Location, Date}
To: [Name and address of	Client]	
Dear Sirs:		
<u> </u>	<u>=</u>	sulting services for [Insert title of oposal dated [Insert Date] and our
the amount(s) currency(ies)} "excluding"] of all indirect estimated amount of local in	{Insert amount(s) in words local taxes in accordance we ndirect taxes is {Insert currefirmed or adjusted, if needed	nt of {Indicate the corresponding to and figures}, [Insert "including" or with ITC 25.1 in the Data Sheet. The ency} {Insert amount in words and d, during negotiations. {Please note
<u> </u>		ain binding upon us, subject to the the period of time specified in the
	omission of this Proposal and	by us to an agent or any third party d Contract execution, paid if we are
Name and Address of Agents	Amount and Currency	Purpose of Commission or Gratuity
{If no payments are made or gratuities have been or are to Proposal and Contract execut	be paid by us to agents or an	statement: "No commissions or ny third party relating to this
We understand you ar	re not bound to accept any Pr	roposal you receive.
We remain,		
Yours sincerely,		

Signature (of Consultant's authorized representative) {In full and initials}:

Full name: {insert full name of authorized representative}
Title: {insert title/position of authorized representative}

Name of Consultant (company's name or JV's name):

Capacity: {insert the person's capacity to sign for the Consultant}

Address: {insert the authorized representative's address}

Phone/fax: {insert the authorized representative's phone and fax number, if

applicable }

Email: {insert the authorized representative's email address}\_\_\_\_\_

{For a joint venture, either all members shall sign or only the lead member/consultant, in which case the power of attorney to sign on behalf of all members shall be attached}

# FORM FIN-2 SUMMARY OF COSTS

			Cost						
Item		{Consultant must state the proposed Costs in accordance with ITC <b>16.4 of the Data Sheet</b> ; delete columns which are not used}							
		{Insert Foreign Currency # 1}	{Insert Foreign Currency # 2, if used}	{Insert Foreign Currency # 3, if used}	{Insert Local Currency, if used and/or required (16.4 Data Sheet}				
Cost of th	ne Financial Proposal								
	Including:								
	(1) Remuneration								
	(2) Reimbursables								
ll .	t of the Financial Proposal: natch the amount in Form FIN-1}								
Indirect L	ocal Tax Estimates – to be discussed an	d finalized at the neg	gotiations if the Contr	act is awarded					
(i)	{insert type of tax e.g., VAT or sales tax}								
(ii)	{e.g., income tax on non-resident experts}								
(iii)	{insert type of tax}								
Total Esti	mate for Indirect Local Tax:								

Footnote: Payments will be made in the currency(ies) expressed above (Reference to ITC 16.4).

## FORM FIN-3 BREAKDOWN OF REMUNERATION

When used for Lump-Sum contract assignment, information to be provided in this Form shall only be used to demonstrate the basis for the calculation of the Contract's ceiling amount; to calculate applicable taxes at contract negotiations; and, if needed, to establish payments to the Consultant for possible additional services requested by the Client. This Form shall not be used as a basis for payments under Lump-Sum contracts

No.	Name	Position (as in TECH-6)	Person-month Remuneration Rate	Time Input in Person/Month (from TECH-6)	{Currency # 1- as in FIN-2}	{Currency # 2- as in FIN- 2}	{Currency# 3- as in FIN-2}	{Local Currency- as in FIN-2}
	Key Experts							
-1			[Home]					<b>******</b>
			[Field]				***********	
-2								<b>*****</b>
					XXXXXX	XXXXXXX		
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					*******			<u> </u>
					<b>XXXXXXX</b>	<del>XXXXXXX</del>	******	
<u> </u>	Non-Key Experts					*****	******	
l-1			[Home]				<b>*****</b>	
-2			[Field]		<del>                                      </del>			
					<b>}</b>		XXXXXXX	
	-				1000000	************	<i>\$</i> \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	

## **Appendix A. Financial Negotiations - Breakdown of Remuneration Rates**

#### 1. Review of Remuneration Rates

- 1.1. The remuneration rates are made up of salary or a base fee, social costs, overheads, profit, and any premium or allowance that may be paid for assignments away from headquarters or a home office. An attached Sample Form can be used to provide a breakdown of rates.
- 1.2. If the RFP requests submission of a technical proposal only, the Sample Form is used by the selected Consultant to prepare for the negotiations of the Contract. If the RFP requests submission of the financial proposal, the Sample Form shall be completed and attached to the Financial Form-3. Agreed (at the negotiations) breakdown sheets shall form part of the negotiated Contract and included in its Appendix D or C.
- 1.3. At the negotiations the firm shall be prepared to disclose its audited financial statements for the last three years, to substantiate its rates, and accept that its proposed rates and other financial matters are subject to scrutiny. The Client is charged with the custody of government funds and is expected to exercise prudence in the expenditure of these funds.

#### 1.4. Rate details are discussed below:

- (i) <u>Salary</u> is the gross regular cash salary or fee paid to the individual in the firm's home office. It shall not contain any premium for work away from headquarters or bonus (except where these are included by law or government regulations).
- (ii) <u>Bonuses</u> are normally paid out of profits. To avoid double counting, any bonuses shall not normally be included in the "Salary" and should be shown separately. Where the Consultant's accounting system is such that the percentages of social costs and overheads are based on total revenue, including bonuses, those percentages shall be adjusted downward accordingly. Where national policy requires that 13 months' pay be given for 12 months' work, the profit element need not be adjusted downward. Any discussions on bonuses shall be supported by audited documentation, which shall be treated as confidential.
- (iii) <u>Social Charges</u> are the costs of non-monetary benefits and may include, inter alia, social security (including pension, medical, and life insurance costs) and the cost of a paid sick and/or annual leave. In this regard, a paid leave during public holidays or an annual leave taken during an assignment if no Expert's replacement has been provided is not considered social charges.
- (iv) <u>Cost of Leave</u>. The principles of calculating the cost of total days leave per annum as a percentage of basic salary is normally calculated as follows:

Leave cost as percentage of salary = 
$$\frac{\text{totalday sleave x 100}}{[365 - \text{w} - \text{ph} - \text{v} - \text{s}]}$$
  
Where w = weekends, ph = public holidays, v = vacation, and s = sick leave.

Please note that leave can be considered as a social cost only if the Client is not charged for the leave taken.

- (v) Overheads are the Consultant's business costs that are not directly related to the execution of the assignment and shall not be reimbursed as separate items under the Contract. Typical items are home office costs (non-billable time, time of senior Consultant's staff monitoring the project, rent of headquarters' office, support staff, research, staff training, marketing, etc.), the cost of Consultant's personnel not currently employed on revenue-earning projects, taxes on business activities, and business promotion costs. During negotiations, audited financial statements, certified as correct by an independent auditor and supporting the last three years' overheads, shall be available for discussion, together with detailed lists of items making up the overheads and the percentage by which each relates to basic salary. The Client does not accept an add-on margin for social charges, overhead expenses, etc. for Experts who are not permanent employees of the Consultant. In such case, the Consultant shall be entitled only to administrative costs and a fee on the monthly payments charged for sub-contracted Experts.
- (vi) <u>Profit</u> is normally based on the sum of the Salary, Social costs, and Overheads. If any bonuses paid on a regular basis are listed, a corresponding reduction shall be made in the profit amount. Profit shall not be allowed on travel or any other reimbursable expenses.
- (vii) Away from Home Office Allowance or Premium or Subsistence Allowances. Some Consultants pay allowances to Experts working away from headquarters or outside of the home office. Such allowances are calculated as a percentage of salary (or a fee) and shall not draw overheads or profit. Sometimes, by law, such allowances may draw social costs. In this case, the amount of this social cost shall still be shown under social costs, with the net allowance shown separately.

UNDP standard rates for the particular country may be used as reference to determine subsistence allowances.

# Sample Form

Consultant: Assignment:	Country: Date:
Consultant's Represe	entations Regarding Costs and Charges
We hereby confirm that:	
and reflect the current rates of the Exp	attached table are taken from the firm's payroll records perts listed which have not been raised other than within a applied to all the Consultant's Experts;
(b) attached are true copies of the la	atest pay slips of the Experts listed;
(c) the away- from- home office a has agreed to pay for this assignment to	illowances indicated below are those that the Consultant the Experts listed;
	d table for social charges and overhead are based on the e latest three years as represented by the firm's financial
(e) said factors for overhead and so profit-sharing.	cial charges do not include any bonuses or other means of
[Name of Consultant]	
Signature of Authorized Representative	Date
Name:	
Title:	

# Consultant's Representations Regarding Costs and Charges (Model Form I)

(Expressed in {insert name of currency\*})

Pers	onnel	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Name	Position	Basic Remuneration Rate per Working Month/Day/Year	Social Charges <sup>1</sup>	Overhead 1	Subtotal	Profit <sup>2</sup>	Away from Home Office Allowance	Proposed Fixed Rate per Working Month/Day/Hour	Proposed Fixed Rate per Working Month/Day/Hour <sup>1</sup>
Home	Office								
Client's	Country								

<sup>\*</sup> If more than one currency is used, use additional table(s), one for each currency

<sup>1.</sup> Expressed as percentage of 1

<sup>2.</sup> Expressed as percentage of 4

## FORM FIN-4 BREAKDOWN OF REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES

When used for Lump-Sum contract assignment, information to be provided in this Form shall only be used to demonstrate the basis for calculation of the Contract ceiling amount, to calculate applicable taxes at contract negotiations and, if needed, to establish payments to the Consultant for possible additional services requested by the Client. This form shall not be used as a basis for payments under Lump-Sum contracts

B. R	B. Reimbursable Expenses									
N°	Type of Reimbursable Expenses	Unit	Unit Cost	Quantity	{Currency # 1- as in FIN-2}	{Currency # 2- as in FIN-2}	{Currency# 3- as in FIN-2}	{Local Currency- as in FIN-2}		
	{e.g., Per diem allowances**}	{Day}								
	{e.g., International flights}	{Ticket}								
	{e.g., In/out airport transportation}	{Trip}								
	{e.g., Communication costs between Insert place and Insert place}									
	{ e.g., reproduction of reports}									
	{e.g., Office rent}									
	{Training of the Client's personnel – if required in TOR}									
	Total Costs Total Costs									

## Legend:

<sup>&</sup>quot;Per diem allowance" is paid for each night the expert is required by the Contract to be away from his/her usual place of residence. Client can set up a ceiling.

# **Section 5. Eligible Countries**

**In reference to ITC 6.3.2,** for the information of shortlisted Consultants, at the present time firms, goods and services from the following countries are excluded from this selection:

Under the ITC 6.3.2 (a): none

Under the ITC 6.3.2 (b): none

# Section 6. Fraud and Corruption

#### (This Section 6, Fraud and Corruption shall not be modified)

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 The Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and this annex apply with respect to procurement under Bank Investment Project Financing operations.

#### 2. Requirements

2.1 The Bank requires that Borrowers (including beneficiaries of Bank financing); bidders (applicants/proposers), consultants, contractors and suppliers; any sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers or suppliers; any agents (whether declared or not); and any of their personnel, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process, selection and contract execution of Bank-financed contracts, and refrain from Fraud and Corruption.

#### 2.2 To this end, the Bank:

- a. Defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
  - i. "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
  - ii. "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
  - iii. "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
  - iv. "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
  - v. "obstructive practice" is:
    - (a) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a Bank investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or

- (b) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's inspection and audit rights provided for under paragraph 2.2 e. below.
- b. Rejects a proposal for award if the Bank determines that the firm or individual recommended for award, any of its personnel, or its agents, or its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/ or their employees, has, directly or indirectly, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;
- c. In addition to the legal remedies set out in the relevant Legal Agreement, may take other appropriate actions, including declaring misprocurement, if the Bank determines at any time that representatives of the Borrower or of a recipient of any part of the proceeds of the loan engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices during the procurement process, selection and/or execution of the contract in question, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Bank to address such practices when they occur, including by failing to inform the Bank in a timely manner at the time they knew of the practices;
- d. Pursuant to the Bank's Anti- Corruption Guidelines and in accordance with the Bank's prevailing sanctions policies and procedures, may sanction a firm or individual, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, including by publicly declaring such firm or individual ineligible (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or in any other manner; (ii) to be a nominated sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a Bank-financed contract; and (iii) to receive the proceeds of any loan made by the Bank or otherwise to participate further in the preparation or implementation of any Bank-financed project;
- e. Requires that a clause be included in bidding/request for proposals documents and in contracts financed by a Bank loan, requiring (i) bidders (applicants/proposers),, consultants, contractors, and suppliers, and their sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers, suppliers, agents personnel, permit the Bank to inspect<sup>3</sup> all accounts, records and other documents relating to the procurement process, selection and/or contract execution, and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

For the avoidance of doubt, a sanctioned party's ineligibility to be awarded a contract shall include, without limitation, (i) applying for pre-qualification, expressing interest in a consultancy, and bidding, either directly or as a nominated subcontractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider, in respect of such contract, and (ii) entering into an addendum or amendment introducing a material modification to any existing contract.

A nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider (different names are used depending on the particular bidding document) is one which has been: (i) included by the bidder in its pre-qualification application or bid because it brings specific and critical experience and know-how that allow the bidder to meet the qualification requirements for the particular bid; or (ii) appointed by the Borrower.

Inspections in this context usually are investigative (i.e., forensic) in nature. They involve fact-finding activities undertaken by the Bank or persons appointed by the Bank to address specific matters related to investigations/audits, such as evaluating the veracity of an allegation of possible Fraud and Corruption, through the appropriate mechanisms. Such activity includes but is not limited to: accessing and examining a firm's or individual's financial records and information, and making copies thereof as relevant; accessing and examining any other documents, data and information (whether in hard copy or electronic format) deemed relevant for the investigation/audit, and making copies thereof as relevant; interviewing staff and other relevant individuals; performing physical inspections and site visits; and obtaining third party verification of information.

#### Section 7. Terms of Reference

Terms of Reference for consulting services for preparation of Detailed Project Report and Tender Documents for development of inland waterway terminals on rivers Brahmaputra and Barak in Assam

#### 1. Background

- 1.1. Assam has approximately 1980 km of navigable waterways of which the most important for transport purposes are the Brahmaputra and Barak Rivers. The Brahmaputra River with a length of 891 Km between the Bangladesh Border and Sadiya, was declared National Waterway no. 2 by the Government of India in 1988. It receives several tributaries like Subansiri, JiaBharali, Dihing, BurhiDihing, Disang, Dhansiri and Kopili. The development of navigational infrastructure for these rivers is the responsibility of the Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI). IWAI is currently aiming to maintain a navigable depth of 2.5m from Bangladesh Border to Neamati (629 Km), 2.0 m from Neamati Dibrugarh (139 Km) and 1.5m from Dibrugarh Sadiya. However, while IWAI is responsible for the navigation 'fairway' it does not have responsibility for managing water transport services. Most of these crossriver ferry services in the State are provided by private country boat operators while public ferries provide connectivity on a few critical routes.
- 1.2. The Directorate of Inland Waterway Transport (DIWT) Assam, established in 1958 and part of the Assam Transport Department, is responsible for developing, maintaining and regulating inland waterways transport (IWT) services in the state. It also operates and maintains many of the passenger transport services, ferry terminals and navigation aids on both Brahmaputra and Barak Rivers.. Headquartered in Guwahati, it has three divisional offices in Guwahati, Dibrugarh and Silchar; five sub-divisional offices in Guwahati, Goalpara, Jorhat, Dibrugarh and Hailakandi; and three commercial offices at Guwahati, Goalpara and Dibrugarh. It also has a Crew Training Centre at Guwahati. DIWT currently has a total of about 4,330 regular staff.
- 1.3. Both urban and rural ferry services are provided by the DIWT, and by country boat operators typically small independent and informal private businesses. In addition to the 97 ferry service routes designated by the DIWT, there are numerous routes licensed by the local (village) and district councils. Other users of the river include the Central Inland Water Corporation Limited, security forces, tourist organizations and other private cargo operators.

- 1.4. In order to leverage the benefits of inland water transport, the Government of Assam wishes to transform the quality of inland water transport services and integrate high quality passenger and vehicle ferry services, and inland water freight transport into Assam's wider transport network system. The Government of Assam along with the World Bank loan assistance is implementing the Assam Inland Water Transport Project (AIWTP).
- 1.5. The objective of the AIWT Project is to:
  - a) improve passenger ferry infrastructure and services in Assam and
  - b) improve the institutional capacity and framework for inland water transport (IWT) in Assam.

## 2. About the Assignment

- 2.1. Under the AIWTP, several IWT terminals are planned at various locations identified and shortlisted for priority development ("Shortlisted Terminals") by AWITDS. These terminals shall be developed to cater to the transportation needs of a population cluster and shall to the extent feasible, have modular design based on local architecture style/indigenous construction practices and/or materials.
- 2.2. The approximate cost for each terminal is estimated to be INR12 Cr 15 Cr.
- 2.3. Accordingly, AIWTDS desires to engage a Technical Consultant (the "Consultant") for preparation of feasibility, Detailed Project Report (DPR) and tender documents for development of Shortlisted Terminals on river Brahmaputra (National Waterways 2) and river Barak (National Waterways 16) for both urban and rural ferry services
- 2.4. The Consultant shall undertake feasibility studies for the Shortlisted Terminals for identification of the most suitable locations within the specific regulatory, planning, and investment framework of transit points in the state, design development, preparation of DPR and tender documents.
- 2.5. The consultant will also be required to undertake detailed Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and detailed Social Impact Assessment (SIA) for the Shortlisted Terminals

#### 3. Objectives of Consultancy

3.1. The objective of this consultancy is to undertake a feasibility study, preparation of DPR, EIA and SIA study and preparation of tender documents for the development of the following Shortlisted Terminals on River Brahmaputra (National Waterways – 2) and River Barak (National Waterways-16) for year round navigation, reliable, safe &

cost effective ferry services operations based on sustainable and climate resilient concept, primarily for passenger traffic (including those with cargo facilities) with all associated facilities including user access

Table 3.1: District and IWT Division wise location of proposed Shortlisted Terminals

S.No	Name of Ferry Services	Location Coordinates
1	Umananda	26.196492/91.744908
2	Uzan Bazar	26.793308/ 91.751326
3	Kurua	26°14'10.48"/91°49'3.58"
4	Guijan	27°34'41.38"/95°19'33.87"
5	Berenga	24.808333/92.822226
6	Ghagor	27°12'30.45"/94°10'46.33
7	KachariGhat(Dhubri)	26.012486/89.9987533
8	Goalpara	26°11'8.75"/90°37'54.92", 26.861196/94.241972
9	Bahari	26°14'50.84"/91°7'52.29"
10	North Guwahati	26.186904/91.72157
11	Aphalamukh	26.915870°/94.299390°

3.2. The co-ordinates mentioned above are tentative and Consultant shall validate the exact locations for finalisation of the locations. If the co-ordinates provided are not feasible, Consultant to propose alternate locations which are nearer to the earmarked locations. The Number of Location may increase or decrease or change depending on AIWTDS requirement.

### 4. Methodology and Standards

4.1. The Consultant shall, be responsible for evolving an appropriate methodology in accordance with relevant industry standards, shall undertake all fieldwork and ensure that all data is quality assured and corrected wherever appropriate. The Consultant shall keep a record of all information collected and present this in a manner that allows statistical comparisons to be made. Qualitative or Quantitative assessments must be

backed up by case studies and relevant industry examples. All data and information (collected, analysed etc.) shall be owned by DIWTA

- 4.2. The Consultant shall, for the purposes of this study, consider all recognized standards, guidance notes and codes of practice as required in accordance with Indian Law and as recognized internationally.
- 4.3. This shall include guidance notes and recommendations of Inland Water Authority of India (IWAI), PIANC, as well as World Bank Environmental and Social Safeguard Policies and Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) Guidelines.

### 5. Scope of Work

The broad scope of work for the project shall include but not limited to the following:

### Task 1-Feasibility, Detailed Design, Engineering & Preparation of DPR

### Task 2 - Preparation of Bid Document

The detailed scopes of work for each of the tasks are as elaborated below

### 5.1. Task 1-Feasibility, Detailed Design, Engineering& Preparation of DPR

#### **5.1.1. Data Collection**

- a) The Consultant will assess all relevant earlier available reports. This will enable the Consultant to have a background information on the project data, site conditions and other conditions affecting development works. The collection of all data available with different stakeholders and in the public domain shall be the responsibility of the Consultant. The detailing / conclusions of these reports are for reference only and the Consultant shall validate the data with primary data collection to arrive at any suggestions / conclusion for developmental components. The data sources shall include but not be limited to Client, Central Water Commission (CWC), Central Water and Power Research Station (CWPRS) Pune, concerned State Departments, the National Remote Sensing Agency, Survey of India, National Water Development Authority, Central Ground Water Board, National Disaster Management Authority, Brahmaputra Water Board, Irrigation Department/Flood Control Departments, Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR).
- b) The data collection will include identification and detailing of all such features which may affect river navigation including but not limited to survey and data collection / data acquisition of tidal, topographic, bathymetric, flow and discharge

conditions, water level variations, soil (suspended sediment, bed and bank) conditions, geological, geomorphologic and all other conditions. The Consultant shall also consider data collection for variation in sediment transport (size and quantity) sources of sediments, locate degrading, aggrading, and stable reaches and correlate these results with historical data and / or previous study reports to qualitatively analyse the effects of anticipated project features. This information shall be used to determine what may or may not work when designing navigation improvements and evaluation of dredging requirement and quantity (if any). It shall include a determination of those reaches that are stable in depth and width and thus provide the basis for all subsequent works to be taken up.

#### 5.1.2. Surveys & investigation

- a) The Consultant will undertake all necessary detailed Topographical /Hydrographic survey and Geo-technical/Geological investigation at/between proposed ferry locations and analyse the data for the purpose of design of proposed structures as per standard/prevailing guidelines.
  - i) The hydrographic survey for identification and detailing of features relating to proposed terminals/ data acquisition of topographic, bathymetry, velocity of flow and suspended sediment concentration..
  - ii) Hydrographic Survey shall be undertaken in a 10m x 10m grid over 1 km upstream & 1 km downstream of the Terminal area.
  - iii) Topographic Survey All land side survey shall be done at a grid interval of 10m x 10m over 1 km upstream & 1 km downstream of the Terminal area.
  - iv) Geotechnical investigation 2 boreholes at each terminal location (one near low water line & the other on the land) and complying with Indian codal provisions. The Geotechnical study report shall include
    - Methodology;
    - Laboratory Tests including Bulk Density and Moisture content, Sieve analysis, Hydrometer analysis, Liquid limits & Plastic limits, Specific gravity, Shear test on undisturbed & remoulded saturated disturbed soil samples and determination of void ratio etc;
    - Detailed Bore logs for each Borehole; and
    - Foundation Design Calculations including Scour Depth & Bearing Capacity and Recommendations.

- b) The information collected from the surveys above shall be used to determine what may or may not work when designing the terminal infrastructure It shall include a determination of those reaches that are stable in depth and width and thus provide the basis for all subsequent works to be taken up.
- c) The Consultant will carry out hydrological and morphological modelling by using all the data set collected by the Consultant of the potential effects both at the terminal site as well as downstream of terminal construction, in particular with respect to erosion and accretion patterns. The modelling should also consider potential climate change scenarios which may affect future high and low flow rates and also frequency and intensity of extreme events. The Consultant shall carry out hydrological and morphological modelling for which the battery limit shall be 1 Km upstream and 1Km for downstream.

#### **5.1.3.** Traffic assessment:

a) The DPR consultant shall take the traffic data for the year 2018 as base year. The actual traffic data for year 2018 is provided below:

SI No.	List of Ghats	Actual of IWT
1	Umananda	Not Available
2	Uzan Bajar	Not Available
3	Kurua	77,002
4	Ghagor	213,312
5	Guijan	33,473
6	Berenga	126,421
7	KachariGhat(Dhubri)	117,503
8	Goalpara	17,906
9	Bohari	56,142
10	North Guwahati	851,713
11	Aphalamukh	333,550

- b) The yearly Passenger Traffic Growth rate shall be provided by AIWTDS at a later time. This growth rate shall be utilized by the consultant in finalizing the design elements of the project at the relevant segments.
- c) The data for Umanada and Uzan Bajar shall be provided subsequently.
- 5.1.4. Suggest and recommend with justification the exact location of the proposed terminals along with all details for land/asset acquisition and livelihood impacts, including ownership and estimated cost of land. This will include all details and permissions to be collected from the State Revenue Departments with adequate background papers

indicating Government and private/communal land. This will also include land for Main Structures & Ancillary works as well as for road connectivity.

5.1.5. **Standardize Design:** A, identify elements of passenger (and cargo) ferry terminal (both on the riverside and landside) which can be standardized into elements of a typical fixed/floating passenger (and cargo) ferry terminal, taking into account the river characteristics and the need to provide connectivity to communities and large population clusters dependent on river transport. The design elements may include but not be limited to buildings, jetty, approach trestle etc. and their standardization should be done to allow for low-cost, replicable and locally achievable solutions. The selection of elements should be supported with appropriate justifications, which needs to be shared with the Client. This shall include, detailed layout, sections, traffic circulation plan, cost of construction, first mile /last mile connectivity and maintenance etc. Wherever necessary, alternative sites for location of such new jetties shall also be considered and proper justification shall be given for choosing the selected site. Each new proposed jetty shall be proposed in terms of projects/ sub-projects

### 5.1.6. Detailed Design and Cost estimation

- a) Preparation of detailed layout plan to include facilities for berthing, boarding & deboarding of passengers/loading & unloading of cargo (of minimum 7Tons carrying capacity vehicles), bank protection, navigation aids, terminal complex with required facilities i.e. waiting area, shop, food court, washroom, ticket counter, approach road to terminal connecting nearby main road, water supply, electricity supply, fire fighting including lighting, requirement of power, water supply, emergency and standby power supply, provision of solarpower, communication system, Drainage & Sewerage system, boundary wall, fencing, nearby area development, land development plan, cargo handling equipment. Use of local materials and techniques needs to be encouraged. The consultant shall also incorporate good practices in environmentally sustainable and climate resilient terminal design in Modular designs.
- b) The detailed designs and cost estimates of every component and sub-component of the DPR will have all such details, authenticity and back up documents which are required for preparing and processing proposals as per prevailing norms and practice.
- c) The proposed design for each location shall be in compliance with all applicable guidelines and statutory requirements including the IWAI rules and gazette notifications. The consultant shall liaise with all the relevant stakeholders to ensure compliance of the statutory requirements.

- d) Provide Front End Engineering and design, drawings, technical specifications, bill of quantities (BoQ) and cost estimates for all structures (including ancillary works, road connectivity etc.) involved in development/ modernization of the proposed locations for executing thework. AIWTDS should be consulted adequately during the process of designing of the structures. Where possible, resource and energy efficiency considerations along with climate resilience measures should be reflected in the designs. The concept design will be based on all statutory requirements as applicable for waterfront structures.
- e) Every cost estimate made shall be duly supported by the justifications for the rates adopted/basis of rates like APWD/CPWD schedule of rates/market rates/ lowest budgetary offers received etc.
- f) Proof checking of design by third party academic or other reputed government institutes before submission to AIWTDS. The proof checking authority shall endorse on the drawings itself and the basic assumptions adopted in the design process.
- g) Preparation of realistic construction schedule for the proposed locations indicating the sequence of activities duly considering the river characteristics in different seasons and priority of works. The phasing of expenditure is also to be worked out.
- h) Suggest organisation structure and institutional mechanism for project preparation, approval and execution of this project without time and cost overrun.
- 5.1.7. **Stakeholders Consultation:** At the time of submission of Draft DPR, the Consultant shall also submit list all the possible stakeholders for approval of the Client. Subsequently, the Consultant shall assist the Client in conducting a stakeholders meeting at three locations chosen by the Client. In this stakeholders meeting, the Consultant shall make detailed presentation on the DPR, seek views of local stakeholders, and incorporate those in the DPR by making suitable modifications in consultation with the Client. The cost for arranging the venue and other allied activities for making the presentation shall be borne by the Client however, the Consultant shall provide all the necessary assistance in conducting the stakeholders meeting.
- 5.1.8. **Financial and Economic Analysis:** Work out cost benefit analysis, Financial Internal Rate of Return (FIRR) and Economic Internal Rate of Return (EIRR) of the project based on current Indian/International norms including SWOT analysis, as well as consideration of environmental and social costs and benefits, with detailed back up calculations, basis, assumption, justification etc. Along with their source of information.

5.1.9. Environmental Assessment: The scope shall include integration of findings from Environmental Assessment (EA) studies for the project, including a detailed Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for all activities included in the DPRs, with the final design. The EIA will be undertaken by a separate team of specialist consultants whose ToR have been/will be developed under this project, as well as an Environmental Management Framework (EMF) & Social Management Framework (SMF) already prepared for AIWTP (add web address here). The ESMF outlines general types of likely / anticipated environmental issues, impacts and management measures, and the process to be followed to complete full detailed EIAs/EMPs, for all Shortlisted Terminals. The Design consultant team shall interact with EA team formally as well as informally so that there is complete integration of design aspects in impact assessment and mitigation measures for impacts into the draft final design. These designs then would be consulted on as mentioned above in 5.1.7.

### 5.1.10. Social impact Assessment

- a) The Consultant shall also conduct detailed Social Impact Assessment (SIA), site-specific SMPs, Resettlement Action Plans (RAPs), as well as a stand-alone Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) for all Shortlisted Terminals. The detailed SIA is expected to inform the final design of the ferry services, including alignments details of the Shortlisted Terminals and other facilities. A Resettlement Action Plan (s) (RAPs), will be carried out at project design stage, after the SIA found to involve land/asset acquisition.
- 5.2. The Consultant shall also provide all the details with adequate supporting documents for indicating Government or Private land, revenue/ cadastral maps, plot numbers/ khasra/ khata numbers, areas of each plot, details of district/ town/ tehsil/ village etc., circle rates, details of on-going litigation/ legal case for the plots, if any, etc. duly authenticated from the concerned authority of State Government. Further, this will include land not only required for the main jetty but also the land required for road connectivity as well as rail connectivity (if feasible).

### 5.3. Task 2 – Preparation of Bid Document

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5.3.1. Preparation of Bid documents in adherence to the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement In Investment Project Financing: Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services - July 2016 (Revised November 2017 and August 2018) for execution of all the works and provide all necessary technical details etc. which will be needed to float and acceptthe tender on Item-rate/ EPC (Engineering Procurement

- Construction) /DBB(Design Bid Build) (as found appropriate in consultation with AIWTDS and merits of the case) contract basis.
- 5.3.2. The Bid Documents are envisaged to be prepared for each terminal (or cluster wise collectively for the terminals located in each cluster). The final decision on contractual modality for each individual terminal or cluster wise approach shall be in consultation with AIWTDS & World Bank.
- 5.3.3. Suggest suitable method of implementing the project including phasing, time frame and source of funds for implementation of each terminal or the clusters as the case may be. Provide all necessary details for implementing the individual project or cluster including assistance in evaluation of bids, checking of bidder's technical proposal, design and drawings etc.
- 5.3.4. Provide inputs in the pre-bid meeting[s] and assist in the preparation/issuance of clarifications in response to pre-bid queries to the prospective construction contractors.
- 5.3.5. Provide technical inputs during the technical and financial evaluation of the bids and preparation of the evaluation Reports. Provide technical inputs in finalization of notice of award/s, negotiation meeting and signing of the agreement with the selected contractor/s
- 5.3.6. Full integration of Environment Management Plan including proposed mitigation and enhancement measures (to be prepared under the parallel EA consultancy) into the designs, cost estimates and bidding documents
- 5.3.7. Full integration of Social Management Plan, Indigenous Peoples Development Plan, Resettlement Action Plan, Labour Influx Mitigation Plan, including proposed measures to be prepared under the parallel Social Assessment consultancy into the design and bidding documents.

#### 6. Resource Deployment

Sl.	Key Expert	<b>Educational Qualifications</b>	Minimum Experience
No.			
1.	Team Leader	BE / B Tech (Civil)	Minimum experience of fifteen (15)
	(Man Months-	preferably with Master's	years out of which minimum ten (10)
	5)	Degree or Post Graduation in	years of experience in management of
		relevant field or equivalent	design and planning for Ports, Jetties,
			IWT Terminals and Barrage / Weirs /

2.	Structural Engineer ( Man Months - 4)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in Civil Engineering with Master's Degree in Structural Engineering	Dams / Navigation Lock related projects Preference will be given those experts who have exposure in design / construction / operation & maintenance of ports, jetties, IWT terminals  Minimum experience of fifteen (15) years out of which minimum seven (7) years of experience in design of Ports, Jetties, IWT Terminals and Barrage / Weirs / Dams / Navigation Lock l related projects
3.	Geotechnical Engineer ( Man Months - 4)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in Civil Engineering with Master's Degree in Geotechnical Engineering	Minimum experience of seven (7) years out of which minimum five (5) years of experience in soil investigation, reclamation work, soil improvement and foundation design etc.
4.	Hydrographer (Man Months -3)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in Civil Engineering/ Cat "B" International Hydrographic Course/ Certification course in Hydrography Survey, Preferred Qualification Master degree in Civil Engineering / Cat "A	Minimum experience of Ten (7) years out of which minimum seven (5) years of experience in conducting hydrographic surveys, investigations & measurements, bathymetric surveys, etc.
5.	Terminal Planner ( Man Months -3)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in Civil engineering preferably with, Preferred Qualification Master's Degree or Post Graduation in relevant field or equivalent	Minimum overall experience of fifteen (15) years out of which minimum seven(7) years of experience in design and planning of port, jetties, terminals and associated infrastructure
6.	Traffic cum Financial Expert ( Man Months -1.5)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in any Traffic/ transportation engineering	Minimum overall experience of seven (7) years out of which minimum five (5) years of experience in traffic studies and feasibility assessment in the transport infrastructure sector
7.	Procurement Specialist ( Man Months - 3)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in Civil Engineering, Preferred Qualification Master's Degree in Law or any other related field	Minimum experience of seven (7) years out of which minimum five (5) years of experience in managing procurement of various goods / consultancy / works contracts in the infrastructure sector. Should also have

			relevant experience of working on working on multilateral funded (World Bank, ADB, JICA etc.) projects
8.	Naval Architect / Mechanical Engineer ( Man Months -4)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in Naval Architecture/ Mechanical Engineering Preferred Qualification Post Graduation (Master's Degree / PGD) in relevant field	Minimum experience of ten (10) years out of which minimum seven (7) years of experience in design and operations of ships, barges and similar structures
9.	Environmental Specialist (Man Months -1.5)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in Environmental Engineering / Master's in Environmental Science with Post Graduation (Master's Degree) in relevant field	Minimum experience of ten (10) years out of which minimum seven (7) years of experience in environment impact assessment for large infrastructure transportation projects preferably in river and / or maritime related projects
10.	Social Developmental Specialist ( Man Months -1.5)	Graduate in Sociology, with Masters in Sociology or equivalent relevant field	Minimum experience of ten (10) years out of which minimum seven (7) years of experience in resettlement and other social impacts of large transportation infrastructure
11.	Architect (Support Staff) ( Man Months -3)	Minimum Qualification Graduation in Architecture with relevant experience	Minimum 10 years of total experience out of which 8 years of relevant experience in related field as per the assignment. He / She should have experience of design of Passengers Terminals/ Urban Transport projects along with use of vernacular styles, indigenous material to bring in climate resilience and sustainable green solutions
12.	Quantity Surveyor (Support Staff) ( Man Months -3)	Minimum Qualification Graduate in Civil Engineering	Minimum 10 years of total experience out of which 8 years of relevant experience in related field as per the assignment. He / She should have experience of Port /Jetties/Passengers Terminals

### **Deliverables and Payment**

### 27. Task 1&2 - List of Deliverables and Payment Milestone

It is envisaged that the study will be undertaken in accordance with the following timetable and deliverables:

Sl No	Description of Deliverables	Days (from the day of signing the Agreement)	Payment*	
A	Submission of Inception Report	30	4.85%	
В	Submission and Approval of Feasibility Report	90	22%	
С	Submission of Draft Detailed Report	120	33%	
D	Submission and Approval of Final Detailed Project Report	150	11%	
Е	Submission and Approval of Tender Documents	210	11%	
F	Assistance in Pre- Bid, Evaluation and Award of Contract for construction tender	240	18.15%	
G	Total	240	100%	

<sup>\*</sup>Payment shall be on prorate basis for the location wise submission of the respective deliverable except for the submission of the Inception Report which shall be a consolidated report for all locations

### **PART II**

### **Section 8. Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms**

### STANDARD FORM OF CONTRACT

## Consultant's Services

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### **CONTRACT FOR CONSULTANT'S SERVICES**

### **Lump-Sum**

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**Loan No.**: 9026-IN

Contract No. IN-IWT-221779-CS-QCBS

**Assignment Title:** Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) along with Engineering Design, Drawings, Tender Documents for Construction of Modular Terminal at Ferry Services of NW-2 and NW-16 in Assam.

between					
	[Name of the Client]				
	and				
	anu				
	[Name of the Consultant]				
]	Dated:				

### I. Form of Contract

#### LUMP-SUM

(Text in brackets [] is optional; all notes should be deleted in the final text)

This CONTRACT (hereinafter called the "Contract") is made the [number] day of the month of [month], [year], between, on the one hand, [name of Client or Recipient] (hereinafter called the "Client") and, on the other hand, [name of Consultant] (hereinafter called the "Consultant").

[If the Consultant consist of more than one entity, the above should be partially amended to read as follows: "...(hereinafter called the "Client") and, on the other hand, a Joint Venture (name of the JV) consisting of the following entities, each member of which will be jointly and severally liable to the Client for all the Consultant's obligations under this Contract, namely, [name of member] and [name of member] (hereinafter called the "Consultant").]

#### **WHEREAS**

- (a) the Client has requested the Consultant to provide certain consulting services as defined in this Contract (hereinafter called the "Services");
- (b) the Consultant, having represented to the Client that it has the required professional skills, expertise and technical resources, has agreed to provide the Services on the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract;
- (c) the Client has received [or has applied for] a loan [or credit or grant] from the [insert as relevant, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) or International Development Association (IDA)]: toward the cost of the Services and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this [loan/credit/grant] to eligible payments under this Contract, it being understood that (i) payments by the Bank will be made only at the request of the Client and upon approval by the Bank; (ii) such payments will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the [loan/financing/grant] agreement, including prohibitions of withdrawal from the [loan/credit/grant] account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of the Bank, is prohibited by the decision of the United Nations Security council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations; and (iii) no party other than the Client shall derive any rights from the [loan/financing/grant] agreement or have any claim to the [loan/credit/grant] proceeds;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

- 1. The following documents attached hereto shall be deemed to form an integral part of this Contract:
  - (a) The General Conditions of Contract (including Attachment 1 "Fraud and Corruption");
  - (b) The Special Conditions of Contract;
  - (c) Appendices:

Appendix A: Terms of Reference

Appendix B: Key Experts

Appendix C: Breakdown of Contract Price

Appendix D: Form of Advance Payments Guarantee

In the event of any inconsistency between the documents, the following order of precedence shall prevail: the Special Conditions of Contract; the General Conditions of Contract, including Attachment 1; Appendix A; Appendix B; Appendix C; Appendix D. Any reference to this Contract shall include, where the context permits, a reference to its Appendices.

- 2. The mutual rights and obligations of the Client and the Consultant shall be as set forth in the Contract, in particular:
  - (a) the Consultant shall carry out the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Contract; and
  - (b) the Client shall make payments to the Consultant in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed in their respective names as of the day and year first above written.

For and on behalf of [Name of Client]

[Authorized Representative of the Client – name, title and signature]

For and on behalf of [Name of Consultant or Name of a Joint Venture]

[Authorized Representative of the Consultant – name and signature]

[For a joint venture, either all members shall sign or only the lead member, in which case the power of attorney to sign on behalf of all members shall be attached.

For and on behalf of each of the members of the Consultant [insert the Name of the Joint Venture]

[Name of the lead member]

[Authorized Representative on behalf of a Joint Venture]

[add signature blocks for each member if all are signing]

### **II.** General Conditions of Contract

### A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1. Definitions

- 1.1 Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms whenever used in this Contract have the following meanings:
- (a) "Applicable Law" means the laws and any other instruments having the force of law in the Client's country, or in such other country as may be specified in the **Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)**, as they may be issued and in force from time to time.
- (b) "Bank" means the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) or the International Development Association (IDA).
- (c) "Borrower" means the Government, Government agency or other entity that signs the financing agreement with the Bank.
- (d) "Client" means the implementing agency that signs the Contract for the Services with the Selected Consultant.
- (e) "Consultant" means a legally-established professional consulting firm or entity selected by the Client to provide the Services under the signed Contract.
- (f) "Contract" means the legally binding written agreement signed between the Client and the Consultant and which includes all the attached documents listed in its paragraph 1 of the Form of Contract (the General Conditions (GCC), the Special Conditions (SCC), and the Appendices).
- (g) "Day" means a working day unless indicated otherwise.
- (h) "Effective Date" means the date on which this Contract comes into force and effect pursuant to Clause GCC 11.
- (i) "Experts" means, collectively, Key Experts, Non-Key Experts, or any other personnel of the Consultant, Sub-consultant or JV member(s) assigned by the Consultant to perform the Services or any part thereof under the Contract.
- (j) "Foreign Currency" means any currency other than the currency of the Client's country.
- (k) "GCC" means these General Conditions of Contract.

- (l) "Government" means the government of the Client's country.
- (m) "Joint Venture (JV)" means an association with or without a legal personality distinct from that of its members, of more than one entity where one member has the authority to conduct all businesses for and on behalf of any and all the members of the JV, and where the members of the JV are jointly and severally liable to the Client for the performance of the Contract.
- (n) "Key Expert(s)" means an individual professional whose skills, qualifications, knowledge and experience are critical to the performance of the Services under the Contract and whose Curricula Vitae (CV) was taken into account in the technical evaluation of the Consultant's proposal.
- (o) "Local Currency" means the currency of the Client's country.
- (p) "Non-Key Expert(s)" means an individual professional provided by the Consultant or its Sub-consultant to perform the Services or any part thereof under the Contract.
- (q) "Party" means the Client or the Consultant, as the case may be, and "Parties" means both of them.
- (r) "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract by which the GCC may be amended or supplemented but not over-written.
- (s) "Services" means the work to be performed by the Consultant pursuant to this Contract, as described in Appendix A hereto.
- (t) "Sub-consultants" means an entity to whom/which the Consultant subcontracts any part of the Services while remaining solely liable for the execution of the Contract.
- (u) "Third Party" means any person or entity other than the Government, the Client, the Consultant or a Sub-consultant.
- 2. Relationship between the Parties
- 2.1. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing a relationship of master and servant or of principal and agent as between the Client and the Consultant. The Consultant, subject to this Contract, has complete charge of the Experts and Subconsultants, if any, performing the Services and shall be fully responsible for the Services performed by them or on their behalf hereunder.
- 3. Law Governing Contract
- 3.1. This Contract, its meaning and interpretation, and the relation between the Parties shall be governed by the Applicable Law.
- 4. Language
- 4.1. This Contract has been executed in the language specified in the **SCC**, which shall be the binding and controlling language for all

matters relating to the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.

#### 5. Headings

5.1. The headings shall not limit, alter or affect the meaning of this Contract.

#### 6. Communications

- 6.1. Any communication required or permitted to be given or made pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing in the language specified in Clause GCC 4. Any such notice, request or consent shall be deemed to have been given or made when delivered in person to an authorized representative of the Party to whom the communication is addressed, or when sent to such Party at the address specified in the SCC.
- 6.2. A Party may change its address for notice hereunder by giving the other Party any communication of such change to the address specified in the SCC.

#### 7. Location

- 7.1. The Services shall be performed at such locations as are specified in **Appendix A** hereto and, where the location of a particular task is not so specified, at such locations, whether in the Government's country or elsewhere, as the Client may approve.
- 8. Authority of Member in Charge
- 8.1. In case the Consultant is a Joint Venture, the members hereby authorize the member specified in the **SCC** to act on their behalf in exercising all the Consultant's rights and obligations towards the Client under this Contract, including without limitation the receiving of instructions and payments from the Client.
- 9. Authorized Representatives
- 9.1. Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed under this Contract by the Client or the Consultant may be taken or executed by the officials specified in the **SCC**.

### 10. Fraud and Corruption

- 10.1 The Bank requires compliance with the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and its prevailing sanctions policies and procedures as set forth in the WBG's Sanctions Framework, as set forth in Attachment 1 to the GCC.
- a. Commissions and Fees
- 10.2 The Client requires the Consultant to disclose any commissions, gratuities or fees that may have been paid or are to be paid to agents or any other party with respect to the selection process or execution of the Contract. The information disclosed must include at least the name and address of the agent or other party, the amount and currency, and the purpose of the commission, gratuity or fee. Failure to disclose such commissions, gratuities or fees may result in termination of the Contract and/or sanctions by the Bank.

### B. COMMENCEMENT, COMPLETION, MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

### 11. Effectiveness of Contract

11.1. This Contract shall come into force and effect on the date (the "Effective Date") of the Client's notice to the Consultant instructing the Consultant to begin carrying out the Services. This notice shall confirm that the effectiveness conditions, if any, listed in the SCC have been met.

### 12. Termination of Contract for Failure to Become Effective

12.1. If this Contract has not become effective within such time period after the date of Contract signature as specified in the **SCC**, either Party may, by not less than twenty two (22) days written notice to the other Party, declare this Contract to be null and void, and in the event of such a declaration by either Party, neither Party shall have any claim against the other Party with respect hereto.

### 13. Commencement of Services

13.1. The Consultant shall confirm availability of Key Experts and begin carrying out the Services not later than the number of days after the Effective Date specified in the **SCC**.

### 14. Expiration of Contract

14.1. Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Clause GCC 19 hereof, this Contract shall expire at the end of such time period after the Effective Date as specified in the SCC.

### 15. Entire Agreement

15.1. This Contract contains all covenants, stipulations and provisions agreed by the Parties. No agent or representative of either Party has authority to make, and the Parties shall not be bound by or be liable for, any statement, representation, promise or agreement not set forth herein.

### 16. Modifications or Variations

16.1. Any modification or variation of the terms and conditions of this Contract, including any modification or variation of the scope of the Services, may only be made by written agreement between the Parties. However, each Party shall give due consideration to any proposals for modification or variation made by the other Party.

16.2. In cases of substantial modifications or variations, the prior written consent of the Bank is required.

### 17. Force Majeure

### a. Definition

17.1. For the purposes of this Contract, "Force Majeure" means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of a Party, is not foreseeable, is unavoidable, and makes a Party's performance of its obligations hereunder impossible or so impractical as reasonably to be considered impossible under the circumstances, and subject to those requirements, includes, but is not limited to, war, riots, civil disorder, earthquake, fire, explosion, storm, flood or other adverse weather conditions, strikes, lockouts or other industrial action

confiscation or any other action by Government agencies.

- 17.2. Force Majeure shall not include (i) any event which is caused by the negligence or intentional action of a Party or such Party's Experts, Sub-consultants or agents or employees, nor (ii) any event which a diligent Party could reasonably have been expected to both take into account at the time of the conclusion of this Contract, and avoid or overcome in the carrying out of its obligations hereunder.
- 17.3. Force Majeure shall not include insufficiency of funds or failure to make any payment required hereunder.
- b. No Breach of Contract
- 17.4. The failure of a Party to fulfill any of its obligations hereunder shall not be considered to be a breach of, or default under, this Contract insofar as such inability arises from an event of Force Majeure, provided that the Party affected by such an event has taken all reasonable precautions, due care and reasonable alternative measures, all with the objective of carrying out the terms and conditions of this Contract.
- c. Measures to be Taken
- 17.5. A Party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall continue to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall take all reasonable measures to minimize the consequences of any event of Force Majeure.
- 17.6. A Party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall notify the other Party of such event as soon as possible, and in any case not later than fourteen (14) calendar days following the occurrence of such event, providing evidence of the nature and cause of such event, and shall similarly give written notice of the restoration of normal conditions as soon as possible.
- 17.7. Any period within which a Party shall, pursuant to this Contract, complete any action or task, shall be extended for a period equal to the time during which such Party was unable to perform such action as a result of Force Majeure.
- 17.8. During the period of their inability to perform the Services as a result of an event of Force Majeure, the Consultant, upon instructions by the Client, shall either:
  - (a) demobilize, in which case the Consultant shall be reimbursed for additional costs they reasonably and necessarily incurred, and, if required by the Client, in reactivating the Services; or
  - (b) continue with the Services to the extent reasonably

possible, in which case the Consultant shall continue to be paid under the terms of this Contract and be reimbursed for additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred.

17.9. In the case of disagreement between the Parties as to the existence or extent of Force Majeure, the matter shall be settled according to Clauses GCC 44 & 45.

### 18. Suspension

18.1. The Client may, by written notice of suspension to the Consultant, suspend part or all payments to the Consultant hereunder if the Consultant fails to perform any of its obligations under this Contract, including the carrying out of the Services, provided that such notice of suspension (i) shall specify the nature of the failure, and (ii) shall request the Consultant to remedy such failure within a period not exceeding thirty (30) calendar days after receipt by the Consultant of such notice of suspension.

#### 19. Termination

19.1. This Contract may be terminated by either Party as per provisions set up below:

#### a. By the Client

- 19.1.1. The Client may terminate this Contract in case of the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (f) of this Clause. In such an occurrence the Client shall give at least thirty (30) calendar days' written notice of termination to the Consultant in case of the events referred to in (a) through (d); at least sixty (60) calendar days' written notice in case of the event referred to in (e); and at least five (5) calendar days' written notice in case of the event referred to in (f):
- (a) If the Consultant fails to remedy a failure in the performance of its obligations hereunder, as specified in a notice of suspension pursuant to Clause GCC 18;
- (b) If the Consultant becomes (or, if the Consultant consists of more than one entity, if any of its members becomes) insolvent or bankrupt or enter into any agreements with their creditors for relief of debt or take advantage of any law for the benefit of debtors or go into liquidation or receivership whether compulsory or voluntary;
- (c) If the Consultant fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration proceedings pursuant to Clause GCC 45.1;
- (d) If, as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultant is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) calendar days;

- (e) If the Client, in its sole discretion and for any reason whatsoever, decides to terminate this Contract;
- (f) If the Consultant fails to confirm availability of Key Experts as required in Clause GCC 13.
- 19.1.2. Furthermore, if the Client determines that the Consultant has engaged in Fraud and Corruption in competing for or in executing the Contract, then the Client may, after giving fourteen (14) calendar days written notice to the Consultant, terminate the Consultant's employment under the Contract.

### b. By the Consultant

- 19.1.3. The Consultant may terminate this Contract, by not less than thirty (30) calendar days' written notice to the Client, in case of the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this Clause.
- (a) If the Client fails to pay any money due to the Consultant pursuant to this Contract and not subject to dispute pursuant to Clause GCC 45.1 within forty-five (45) calendar days after receiving written notice from the Consultant that such payment is overdue.
- (b) If, as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultant is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) calendar days.
- (c) If the Client fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration pursuant to Clause GCC 45.1.
- (d) If the Client is in material breach of its obligations pursuant to this Contract and has not remedied the same within forty-five (45) days (or such longer period as the Consultant may have subsequently approved in writing) following the receipt by the Client of the Consultant's notice specifying such breach.

### c. Cessation of Rights and Obligations

19.1.4. Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to Clauses GCC 12 or GCC 19 hereof, or upon expiration of this Contract pursuant to Clause GCC 14, all rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall cease, except (i) such rights and obligations as may have accrued on the date of termination or expiration, (ii) the obligation of confidentiality set forth in Clause GCC 22, (iii) the Consultant's obligation to permit inspection, copying and auditing of their accounts and records set forth in Clause GCC 25 and to cooperate and assist in any inspection or investigation, and (iv) any right which a Party

may have under the Applicable Law.

### d. Cessation of Services

19.1.5. Upon termination of this Contract by notice of either Party to the other pursuant to Clauses GCC 19a or GCC 19b, the Consultant shall, immediately upon dispatch or receipt of such notice, take all necessary steps to bring the Services to a close in a prompt and orderly manner and shall make every reasonable effort to keep expenditures for this purpose to a minimum. With respect to documents prepared by the Consultant and equipment and materials furnished by the Client, the Consultant shall proceed as provided, respectively, by Clauses GCC 27 or GCC 28.

## e. Payment upon Termination

- 19.1.6. Upon termination of this Contract, the Client shall make the following payments to the Consultant:
- (a) payment for Services satisfactorily performed prior to the effective date of termination; and
- (b) in the case of termination pursuant to paragraphs (d) and (e) of Clause GCC 19.1.1, reimbursement of any reasonable cost incidental to the prompt and orderly termination of this Contract, including the cost of the return travel of the Experts.

### C. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONSULTANT

#### 20. General

### a. Standard of Performance

- 20.1 The Consultant shall perform the Services and carry out the Services with all due diligence, efficiency and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional standards and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate technology and safe and effective equipment, machinery, materials and methods. The Consultant shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Contract or to the Services, as a faithful adviser to the Client, and shall at all times support and safeguard the Client's legitimate interests in any dealings with the third parties.
- 20.2. The Consultant shall employ and provide such qualified and experienced Experts and Sub-consultants as are required to carry out the Services.
- 20.3. The Consultant may subcontract part of the Services to an extent and with such Key Experts and Sub-consultants as may be approved in advance by the Client. Notwithstanding such approval, the Consultant shall retain full responsibility for the Services.

### b. Law Applicable to Services

- 20.4. The Consultant shall perform the Services in accordance with the Contract and the Applicable Law and shall take all practicable steps to ensure that any of its Experts and Sub-consultants, comply with the Applicable Law.
- 20.5. Throughout the execution of the Contract, the Consultant shall comply with the import of goods and services prohibitions in the Client's country when
  - (a) as a matter of law or official regulations, the Borrower's country prohibits commercial relations with that country; or
  - (b) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, the Borrower's Country prohibits any import of goods from that country or any payments to any country, person, or entity in that country.
- 20.6. The Client shall notify the Consultant in writing of relevant local customs, and the Consultant shall, after such notification, respect such customs.

#### 21. Conflict of Interest

- 21.1. The Consultant shall hold the Client's interests paramount, without any consideration for future work, and strictly avoid conflict with other assignments or their own corporate interests.
- a. Consultant
  Not to Benefit
  from
  Commissions,
  Discounts, etc.
- 21.1.1 The payment of the Consultant pursuant to GCC F (Clauses GCC 38 through 42) shall constitute the Consultant's only payment in connection with this Contract and, subject to Clause GCC 21.1.3, the Consultant shall not accept for its own benefit any trade commission, discount or similar payment in connection with activities pursuant to this Contract or in the discharge of its obligations hereunder, and the Consultant shall use its best efforts to ensure that any Sub-consultants, as well as the Experts and agents of either of them, similarly shall not receive any such additional payment.
- 21.1.2 Furthermore, if the Consultant, as part of the Services, has the responsibility of advising the Client on the procurement of goods, works or services, the Consultant shall comply with the Bank's Applicable Regulations, and shall at all times exercise such responsibility in the best interest of the Client. Any discounts or commissions obtained by the Consultant in the exercise of such procurement responsibility shall be for the account of the Client.
- b. Consultant and Affiliates
- 21.1.3 The Consultant agrees that, during the term of this Contract and after its termination, the Consultant and any entity

## Not to Engage in Certain Activities

affiliated with the Consultant, as well as any Sub-consultants and any entity affiliated with such Sub-consultants, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works or non-consulting services resulting from or directly related to the Consultant's Services for the preparation or implementation of the project.

### c. Prohibition of Conflicting Activities

21.1.4 The Consultant shall not engage, and shall cause its Experts as well as its Sub-consultants not to engage, either directly or indirectly, in any business or professional activities that would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Contract.

# d. Strict Duty to Disclose Conflicting Activities

21.1.5 The Consultant has an obligation and shall ensure that its Experts and Sub-consultants shall have an obligation to disclose any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts their capacity to serve the best interest of their Client, or that may reasonably be perceived as having this effect. Failure to disclose said situations may lead to the disqualification of the Consultant or the termination of its Contract.

### 22. Confidentiality

22.1 Except with the prior written consent of the Client, the Consultant and the Experts shall not at any time communicate to any person or entity any confidential information acquired in the course of the Services, nor shall the Consultant and the Experts make public the recommendations formulated in the course of, or as a result of, the Services.

### 23. Liability of the Consultant

23.1 Subject to additional provisions, if any, set forth in the **SCC**, the Consultant's liability under this Contract shall be provided by the Applicable Law.

## 24. Insurance to be taken out by the Consultant

24.1 The Consultant (i) shall take out and maintain, and shall cause any Sub-consultants to take out and maintain, at its (or the Sub-consultants', as the case may be) own cost but on terms and conditions approved by the Client, insurance against the risks, and for the coverage specified in the SCC, and (ii) at the Client's request, shall provide evidence to the Client showing that such insurance has been taken out and maintained and that the current premiums therefore have been paid. The Consultant shall ensure that such insurance is in place prior to commencing the Services as stated in Clause GCC 13.

### 25. Accounting, Inspection and Auditing

25.1 The Consultant shall keep, and shall make all reasonable efforts to cause its Sub-consultants to keep, accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the Services and in such form and detail as will clearly identify relevant time changes and costs.

- 25.2 Pursuant to paragraph 2.2 e. of Appendix to the General Conditions the Consultant shall permit and shall cause its subcontractors and subconsultants to permit, the Bank and/or persons appointed by the Bank to inspect the Site and/or the accounts and records relating to the performance of the Contract and the submission of the bid, and to have such accounts and records audited by auditors appointed by the Bank if requested by the Bank. The Consultant's and its Subcontractors' and subconsultants' attention is drawn to Sub-Clause 10.1 which provides, inter alia, that acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's inspection and audit rights constitute a prohibited practice subject to contract termination (as well as to a determination of ineligibility pursuant to the Bank's prevailing sanctions procedures).
- 26. Reporting Obligations
- 27. Proprietary Rights of the Client in Reports and Records
- 26.1 The Consultant shall submit to the Client the reports and documents specified in **Appendix A**, in the form, in the numbers and within the time periods set forth in the said Appendix.
- 27.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the SCC, all reports and relevant data and information such as maps, diagrams, plans, databases, other documents and software, supporting records or material compiled or prepared by the Consultant for the Client in the course of the Services shall be confidential and become and remain the absolute property of the Client. The Consultant shall, not later than upon termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents to the Client, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The Consultant may retain a copy of such documents, data and/or software but shall not use the same for purposes unrelated to this Contract without prior written approval of the Client.
- 27.2 If license agreements are necessary or appropriate between the Consultant and third parties for purposes of development of the plans, drawings, specifications, designs, databases, other documents and software, the Consultant shall obtain the Client's prior written approval to such agreements, and the Client shall be entitled at its discretion to require recovering the expenses related to the development of the program(s) concerned. Other restrictions about the future use of these documents and software, if any, shall be specified in the **SCC**.
- 28. Equipment, Vehicles and Materials
- 28.1 Equipment, vehicles and materials made available to the Consultant by the Client, or purchased by the Consultant wholly or partly with funds provided by the Client, shall be the property of the Client and shall be marked accordingly. Upon termination or expiration of this Contract, the Consultant shall make available to the Client an inventory of such equipment, vehicles and materials and shall dispose of such equipment, vehicles and materials in accordance with the Client's instructions. While in possession of such equipment, vehicles and materials, the Consultant, unless otherwise instructed by

the Client in writing, shall insure them at the expense of the Client in an amount equal to their full replacement value.

28.2 Any equipment or materials brought by the Consultant or its Experts into the Client's country for the use either for the project or personal use shall remain the property of the Consultant or the Experts concerned, as applicable.

#### D. CONSULTANT'S EXPERTS AND SUB-CONSULTANTS

### 29. Description of Key Experts

29.1 The title, agreed job description, minimum qualification and estimated period of engagement to carry out the Services of each of the Consultant's Key Experts are described in **Appendix B.** 

### 30. Replacement of Key Experts

- 30.1 Except as the Client may otherwise agree in writing, no changes shall be made in the Key Experts.
- 30.2 Notwithstanding the above, the substitution of Key Experts during Contract execution may be considered only based on the Consultant's written request and due to circumstances outside the reasonable control of the Consultant, including but not limited to death or medical incapacity. In such case, the Consultant shall forthwith provide as a replacement, a person of equivalent or better qualifications and experience, and at the same rate of remuneration.

### 31. Removal of Experts or Sub-consultants

- 31.1 If the Client finds that any of the Experts or Sub-consultant has committed serious misconduct or has been charged with having committed a criminal action, or if the Client determines that a Consultant's Expert or Sub-consultant has engaged in Fraud and Corruption while performing the Services, the Consultant shall, at the Client's written request, provide a replacement.
- 31.2 In the event that any of Key Experts, Non-Key Experts or Sub-consultants is found by the Client to be incompetent or incapable in discharging assigned duties, the Client, specifying the grounds therefore, may request the Consultant to provide a replacement.
- 31.3 Any replacement of the removed Experts or Sub-consultants shall possess better qualifications and experience and shall be acceptable to the Client.
- 31.4 The Consultant shall bear all costs arising out of or incidental to any removal and/or replacement of such Experts.

### E. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CLIENT

### 32. Assistance and

32.1 Unless otherwise specified in the SCC, the Client shall use its

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#### best efforts to:

- (a) Assist the Consultant with obtaining work permits and such other documents as shall be necessary to enable the Consultant to perform the Services.
- (b) Assist the Consultant with promptly obtaining, for the Experts and, if appropriate, their eligible dependents, all necessary entry and exit visas, residence permits, exchange permits and any other documents required for their stay in the Client's country while carrying out the Services under the Contract.
- (c) Facilitate prompt clearance through customs of any property required for the Services and of the personal effects of the Experts and their eligible dependents.
- (c) Issue to officials, agents and representatives of the Government all such instructions and information as may be necessary or appropriate for the prompt and effective implementation of the Services.
- (d) Assist the Consultant and the Experts and any Sub-consultants employed by the Consultant for the Services with obtaining exemption from any requirement to register or obtain any permit to practice their profession or to establish themselves either individually or as a corporate entity in the Client's country according to the applicable law in the Client's country.
- (e) Assist the Consultant, any Sub-consultants and the Experts of either of them with obtaining the privilege, pursuant to the applicable law in the Client's country, of bringing into the Client's country reasonable amounts of foreign currency for the purposes of the Services or for the personal use of the Experts and of withdrawing any such amounts as may be earned therein by the Experts in the execution of the Services.
- (f) Provide to the Consultant any such other assistance as may be specified in the **SCC**.

# 33. Access to Project Site

33.1 The Client warrants that the Consultant shall have, free of charge, unimpeded access to the project site in respect of which access is required for the performance of the Services. The Client will be responsible for any damage to the project site or any property thereon resulting from such access and will indemnify the Consultant and each of the experts in respect of liability for any such damage, unless such damage is caused by the willful default or negligence of the Consultant or any Sub-consultants or the Experts of either of them.

# 34. Change in the Applicable Law Related to Taxes and Duties

34.1 If, after the date of this Contract, there is any change in the applicable law in the Client's country with respect to taxes and duties which increases or decreases the cost incurred by the Consultant in performing the Services, then the remuneration and reimbursable expenses otherwise payable to the Consultant under this Contract shall be increased or decreased accordingly by agreement between the Parties hereto, and corresponding adjustments shall be made to the Contract price amount specified in Clause GCC 38.1

# 35. Services, Facilities and Property of the Client

35.1 The Client shall make available to the Consultant and the Experts, for the purposes of the Services and free of any charge, the services, facilities and property described in the Terms of Reference (**Appendix A**) at the times and in the manner specified in said **Appendix A**.

# 36. Counterpart Personnel

36.1 The Client shall make available to the Consultant free of charge such professional and support counterpart personnel, to be nominated by the Client with the Consultant's advice, if specified in **Appendix A**.

36.2 Professional and support counterpart personnel, excluding Client's liaison personnel, shall work under the exclusive direction of the Consultant. If any member of the counterpart personnel fails to perform adequately any work assigned to such member by the Consultant that is consistent with the position occupied by such member, the Consultant may request the replacement of such member, and the Client shall not unreasonably refuse to act upon such request.

# 37. Payment Obligation

37.1 In consideration of the Services performed by the Consultant under this Contract, the Client shall make such payments to the Consultant for the deliverables specified in **Appendix A** and in such manner as is provided by GCC F below.

## F. PAYMENTS TO THE CONSULTANT

#### 38. Contract Price

38.1 The Contract price is fixed and is set forth in the **SCC.** The Contract price breakdown is provided in **Appendix C**.

38.2 Any change to the Contract price specified in Clause GCC 38.1 can be made only if the Parties have agreed to the revised scope of Services pursuant to Clause GCC 16 and have amended in writing the Terms of Reference in **Appendix A**.

## 39. Taxes and Duties

39.1 The Consultant, Sub-consultants and Experts are responsible for meeting any and all tax liabilities arising out of the Contract

unless it is stated otherwise in the SCC.

- 39.2 As an exception to the above and as stated in the **SCC**, all local identifiable indirect taxes (itemized and finalized at Contract negotiations) are reimbursed to the Consultant or are paid by the Client on behalf of the Consultant.
- 40. Currency of Payment
- 40.1 Any payment under this Contract shall be made in the currency (ies) of the Contract.
- 41. Mode of Billing and Payment
- 41.1 The total payments under this Contract shall not exceed the Contract price set forth in Clause GCC 38.1.
- 41.2 The payments under this Contract shall be made in lump-sum installments against deliverables specified in **Appendix A**. The payments will be made according to the payment schedule stated in the **SCC**.
  - 41.2.1 <u>Advance payment:</u> Unless otherwise indicated in the **SCC**, an advance payment shall be made against an advance payment bank guarantee acceptable to the Client in an amount (or amounts) and in a currency (or currencies) specified in the **SCC**. Such guarantee (i) is to remain effective until the advance payment has been fully set off, and (ii) is to be in the form set forth in **Appendix D**, or in such other form as the Client shall have approved in writing. The advance payments will be set off by the Client in equal portions against the lump-sum installments specified in the **SCC** until said advance payments have been fully set off.
  - 41.2.2 <u>The Lump-Sum Installment Payments.</u> The Client shall pay the Consultant within sixty (60) days after the receipt by the Client of the deliverable(s) and the cover invoice for the related lump-sum installment payment. The payment can be withheld if the Client does not approve the submitted deliverable(s) as satisfactory in which case the Client shall provide comments to the Consultant within the same sixty (60) days period. The Consultant shall thereupon promptly make any necessary corrections, and thereafter the foregoing process shall be repeated.
  - 41.2.3 <u>The Final Payment</u>. The final payment under this Clause shall be made only after the final report have been submitted by the Consultant and approved as satisfactory by the Client. The Services shall then be deemed completed and finally accepted by the Client. The last lump-sum installment shall be deemed approved for payment by the Client within ninety (90) calendar days after receipt of the final report by the Client unless

the Client, within such ninety (90) calendar day period, gives written notice to the Consultant specifying in detail deficiencies in the Services, the final report. The Consultant shall thereupon promptly make any necessary corrections, and thereafter the foregoing process shall be repeated. 41.2.4 All payments under this Contract shall be made to the accounts of the Consultant specified in the **SCC**.

41.2.4 With the exception of the final payment under 41.2.3 above, payments do not constitute acceptance of the whole Services nor relieve the Consultant of any obligations hereunder.

# 42. Interest on Delayed Payments

42.1 If the Client had delayed payments beyond fifteen (15) days after the due date stated in Clause GCC 41.2.2, interest shall be paid to the Consultant on any amount due by, not paid on, such due date for each day of delay at the annual rate stated in the **SCC**.

## G. FAIRNESS AND GOOD FAITH

#### 43. Good Faith

43.1 The Parties undertake to act in good faith with respect to each other's rights under this Contract and to adopt all reasonable measures to ensure the realization of the objectives of this Contract.

## H. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

# 44. Amicable Settlement

- 44.1 The Parties shall seek to resolve any dispute amicably by mutual consultation.
- 44.2 If either Party objects to any action or inaction of the other Party, the objecting Party may file a written Notice of Dispute to the other Party providing in detail the basis of the dispute. The Party receiving the Notice of Dispute will consider it and respond in writing within fourteen (14) days after receipt. If that Party fails to respond within fourteen (14) days, or the dispute cannot be amicably settled within fourteen (14) days following the response of that Party, Clause GCC 45.1 shall apply.

#### 45. Dispute Resolution

45.1 Any dispute between the Parties arising under or related to this Contract that cannot be settled amicably may be referred to by either Party to the adjudication/arbitration in accordance with the provisions specified in the **SCC**.

# II. General Conditions Attachment 1 Fraud and Corruption

(Text in this Appendix shall not be modified)

## 1. Purpose

1.1 The Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and this annex apply with respect to procurement under Bank Investment Project Financing operations.

## 2. Requirements

2.1 The Bank requires that Borrowers (including beneficiaries of Bank financing); bidders (applicants/proposers), consultants, contractors and suppliers; any sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers or suppliers; any agents (whether declared or not); and any of their personnel, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process, selection and contract execution of Bank-financed contracts, and refrain from Fraud and Corruption.

#### 2.2 To this end, the Bank:

- a. Defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
  - "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
  - ii. "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
  - iii. "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
  - iv. "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
  - v. "obstructive practice" is:
    - (a) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a Bank investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or
    - (b) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's inspection and audit rights provided for under paragraph 2.2 e. below.

- b. Rejects a proposal for award if the Bank determines that the firm or individual recommended for award, any of its personnel, or its agents, or its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/ or their employees, has, directly or indirectly, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;
- c. In addition to the legal remedies set out in the relevant Legal Agreement, may take other appropriate actions, including declaring misprocurement, if the Bank determines at any time that representatives of the Borrower or of a recipient of any part of the proceeds of the loan engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices during the procurement process, selection and/or execution of the contract in question, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Bank to address such practices when they occur, including by failing to inform the Bank in a timely manner at the time they knew of the practices;
- d. Pursuant to the Bank's Anti- Corruption Guidelines and in accordance with the Bank's prevailing sanctions policies and procedures, may sanction a firm or individual, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, including by publicly declaring such firm or individual ineligible (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or in any other manner; (ii) to be a nominated sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a Bank-financed contract; and (iii) to receive the proceeds of any loan made by the Bank or otherwise to participate further in the preparation or implementation of any Bank-financed project;
- e. Requires that a clause be included in bidding/request for proposals documents and in contracts financed by a Bank loan, requiring (i) bidders (applicants/proposers), consultants, contractors, and suppliers, and their sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers, suppliers, agents personnel, permit the Bank to inspect<sup>3</sup> all accounts, records and other documents relating to the procurement process, selection and/or contract execution,, and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

For the avoidance of doubt, a sanctioned party's ineligibility to be awarded a contract shall include, without limitation, (i) applying for pre-qualification, expressing interest in a consultancy, and bidding, either directly or as a nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider, in respect of such contract, and (ii) entering into an addendum or amendment introducing a material modification to any existing contract.

A nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider (different names are used depending on the particular bidding document) is one which has been: (i) included by the bidder in its pre-qualification application or bid because it brings specific and critical experience and know-how that allow the bidder to meet the qualification requirements for the particular bid; or (ii) appointed by the Borrower.

Inspections in this context usually are investigative (i.e., forensic) in nature. They involve fact-finding activities undertaken by the Bank or persons appointed by the Bank to address specific matters related to investigations/audits, such as evaluating the veracity of an allegation of possible Fraud and Corruption, through the appropriate mechanisms. Such activity includes but is not limited to: accessing and examining a firm's or individual's financial records and information, and making copies thereof as relevant; accessing and examining any other documents, data and information (whether in hard copy or electronic format) deemed relevant for the investigation/audit, and making copies thereof as relevant; interviewing staff and other relevant individuals; performing physical inspections and site visits; and obtaining third party verification of information.

# **III.** Special Conditions of Contract

[Notes in brackets are for guidance purposes only and should be deleted in the final text of the signed contract]

Number of GC Clause	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract
1.1(a)	The Contract shall be construed in accordance with the law of Republic of India.
4.1	The language is: English .
6.1 and 6.2	The addresses are [fill in at negotiations with the selected firm]:
	Client: <u>Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society</u> E-mail (where permitted): <u>dir.iwtds-as@gov.in</u>
	Consultant:
8.1	The Lead Member on behalf of the JV is [insert name of the member]
9.1	The Authorized Representatives are:
	For the Client: State Project Director, Assam Inland Water Transport Development Society
	For the Consultant: [name, title]
11.1	The effectiveness conditions are the following: 10 days after Signing of the Contract
12.1	Termination of Contract for Failure to Become Effective:
	The time period shall be one month from signing of the contract.
13.1	Commencement of Services:
	From the signing of contract
	Confirmation of Key Experts' availability to start the Assignment shall be submitted to the Client in writing as a written statement signed by each Key Expert.

14.1	Expiration of Contract:
	The time period shall be 8 (Eight) months from the date of effectiveness of the contract
21 b.	The Client reserves the right to determine on a case-by-case basis whether the Consultant should be disqualified from providing goods, works or non-consulting services due to a conflict of a nature described in Clause GCC 21.1.3
	Yes

# The following limitation of the Consultant's Liability towards the Client can be subject to the Contract's negotiations:

"Limitation of the Consultant's Liability towards the Client:

- (a) Except in the case of gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Consultant or on the part of any person or a firm acting on behalf of the Consultant in carrying out the Services, the Consultant, with respect to damage caused by the Consultant to the Client's property, shall not be liable to the Client:
  - (i) for any indirect or consequential loss or damage; and
  - (ii) for any direct loss or damage that exceeds one time the total value of the Contract;
  - (b) This limitation of liability shall not
    - (i) affect the Consultant's liability, if any, for damage to Third Parties caused by the Consultant or any person or firm acting on behalf of the Consultant in carrying out the Services;
    - (ii) be construed as providing the Consultant with any limitation or exclusion from liability which is prohibited by the "Applicable Law".

# 24.1 The insurance coverage against the risks shall be as follows:

- (a) Professional liability insurance, with a minimum coverage of equal to the value of the contract
- (b) Third Party motor vehicle liability insurance in respect of motor vehicles operated in the Client's country by the Consultant or its Experts or Subconsultants, with a minimum coverage of "in accordance with the applicable law in the Client's country";
- (c) Third Party liability insurance, with a minimum coverage of "in accordance with the applicable law in the Client's country";
- (d) employer's liability and workers' compensation insurance in respect of the experts and Sub-consultants in accordance with the relevant provisions of the applicable law in the Client's country, as well as, with respect to such Experts, any such life, health, accident, travel or other insurance as may be appropriate; and
- (e) insurance against loss of or damage to (i) equipment purchased in whole or in part with funds provided under this Contract, (ii) the Consultant's property used in the performance of the Services, and (iii) any documents prepared by the Consultant in the performance of the Services.

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Е	Submission and Approval of Tender Documents	210	11%
D	Submission and Approval of Final Detailed Project Report	150	11%
C	Submission of Draft Detailed Report	120	33%

<sup>\*</sup>Payment shall be on prorate basis for the location wise submission of the respective deliverable except for the submission of the Inception Report which shall be a consolidated report for all locations

[Total sum of all installments shall not exceed the Contract price set up in SCC38.1.]

# **41.2.1** *Not Applicable*

## 41.2.4 The accounts are:

for local currency: [insert account].

The account details are as mentioned below:

Name	
Account No	
Bank Name	
IFS Code	
GST Reg no	

# **42.1 The interest rate is**: 8% per annum for Local currency for each day of delay.

# Disputes shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the following provisions:

- 1. <u>Selection of Arbitrators</u>. Each dispute submitted by a Party to arbitration shall be heard by a sole arbitrator or an arbitration panel composed of three (3) arbitrators, in accordance with the following provisions:
- (a) Where the Parties agree that the dispute concerns a technical matter, they may agree to appoint a sole arbitrator or, failing agreement on the identity of such sole arbitrator within thirty (30) days after receipt by the other Party of the proposal of a name for such an appointment by the Party who initiated the proceedings, either Party

- may apply to Indian Council of Arbitration for a list of not fewer than five (5) nominees and, on receipt of such list, the Parties shall alternately strike names there from, and the last remaining nominee on the list shall be the sole arbitrator for the matter in dispute. If the last remaining nominee has not been determined in this manner within sixty (60) days of the date of the list, Indian Council of Arbitration shall appoint, upon the request of either Party and from such list or otherwise, a sole arbitrator for the matter in dispute.
- (b) Where the Parties do not agree that the dispute concerns a technical matter, the Client and the Consultant shall each appoint one (1) arbitrator, and these two (2) arbitrators shall jointly appoint a third arbitrator, who shall chair the arbitration panel. If the arbitrators named by the Parties do not succeed in appointing a third arbitrator within thirty
  - (30) days after the latter of the two (2) arbitrators named by the Parties has been appointed, the third arbitrator shall, at the request of either Party, be appointed by Indian Council of Arbitration.
- If, in a dispute subject to paragraph (b) above, one Party fails to appoint its arbitrator within thirty (30) days after the other Party has appointed its arbitrator, the Party which has named an arbitrator may apply to the Indian Council of Arbitration to appoint a sole arbitrator for the matter in dispute, and the arbitrator appointed pursuant to such application shall be the sole arbitrator for that dispute.
- 2. Rules of Procedure. Arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with procedure of the Arbitration & Conciliation Act 1996, of India unless the Consultant is a foreign national/firm, in which case arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure for arbitration of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) as in force on the date of this Contract
- <u>3.Substitute Arbitrators</u>. If for any reason an arbitrator is unable to perform his/her function, a substitute shall be appointed in the same manner as the original arbitrator.
- 4. Nationality and Qualifications of Arbitrators. The sole arbitrator or the third arbitrator appointed pursuant to paragraphs 1(a) through 1(c) above shall be an internationally recognized legal or technical expert with extensive experience in relation to the matter in dispute
- 5. <u>Miscellaneous</u>. In any arbitration proceeding hereunder:
  - (a) proceedings shall, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, be held in

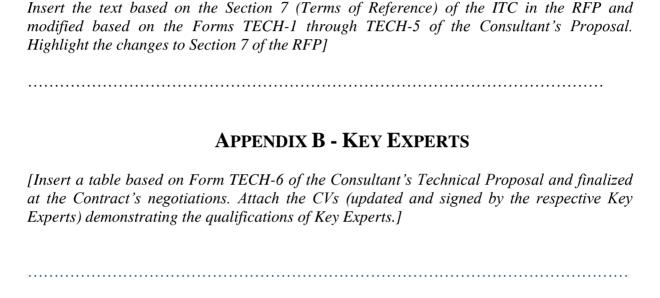
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- (b) the English language shall be the official language for all purposes; and
- (c) the decision of the sole arbitrator or of a majority of the arbitrators (or of the third arbitrator if there is no such majority) shall be final and binding and shall be enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction, and the Parties hereby waive any objections to or claims of immunity in respect of such enforcement.

# IV. Appendices

# APPENDIX A – TERMS OF REFERENCE

[This Appendix shall include the final Terms of Reference (TORs) worked out by the Client and the Consultant during the negotiations; dates for completion of various tasks; location of performance for different tasks; detailed reporting requirements and list of deliverables against which the payments to the Consultant will be made; Client's input, including counterpart personnel assigned by the Client to work on the Consultant's team; specific tasks or actions that require prior approval by the Client.



# APPENDIX C - BREAKDOWN OF CONTRACT PRICE

[Insert the table with the unit rates to arrive at the breakdown of the lump-sum price. The table shall be based on [Form FIN-3 and FIN-4] of the Consultant's Proposal and reflect any changes agreed at the Contract negotiations, if any. The footnote shall list such changes made to [Form FIN-3 and FIN-4] at the negotiations or state that none has been made.]

When the Consultant has been selected under Quality-Based Selection method, also add the following:

"The agreed remuneration rates shall be stated in the attached Model Form I. This form shall be prepared on the basis of Appendix A to Form FIN-3 of the RFP "Consultants' Representations regarding Costs and Charges" submitted by the Consultant to the Client prior to the Contract's negotiations.

Should these representations be found by the Client (either through inspections or audits pursuant to Clause GCC 25.2 or through other means) to be materially incomplete or inaccurate, the Client shall be entitled to introduce appropriate modifications in the remuneration rates affected by such materially incomplete or inaccurate representations. Any such modification shall have retroactive effect and, in case remuneration has already been paid by the Client before any such modification, (i) the Client shall be entitled to offset any excess payment against the next monthly payment to the Consultants, or (ii) if there are no further payments to be made by the Client to the Consultants, the Consultants shall reimburse to the Client any excess payment within thirty (30) days of receipt of a written claim of the Client. Any such claim by the Client for reimbursement must be made within twelve (12) calendar months after receipt by the Client of a final report and a final statement approved by the Client in accordance with Clause GCC 45.1(d) of this Contract."

# APPENDIX D - FORM OF ADVANCE PAYMENTS GUARANTEE

[See Clause GCC 41.2.1 and SCC 41.2.1]

{Guarantor letterhead or SWIFT identifier code}

# Bank Guarantee for Advance Payment – Not Applicable

Guarantor:  Issuing Branch or Office]	[insert commercia	al Bank's Name, an	d Address of
Beneficiary:	_[insert Name and Ad	dress of Client]	
Date:[insert date]			
ADVANCE PAYMENT GUARA	NTEE No.:	[insert numbe	er]
We have been informed that Venture, same as appears on the sentered into Contract No [insert date] with the [brief description of Services] (here	signed Contract] (here [reference ne Beneficiary, for the	einafter called "the Co e number of the co provision of	onsultant") has ontract] dated
Furthermore, we understand that, payment in the sum ofwords] is to be made against an adv	_ [insert amount in fig	gures] (	
At the request of the Consultant, we Beneficiary any sum or sums not explain the figures of the Consultant is in Consultant:	exceeding in total an a mount in words] <sup>1</sup> upon y the Beneficiary's a ned document accomp	nmount of n receipt by us of the written statement, w panying or identifying	[amount in Beneficiary's whether in the g the demand,
<ul> <li>(a) has failed to repay the advaspecifying the amount which has used the advance paymounder the Contract.</li> </ul>	h the Consultant has fa	ailed to repay;	
It is a condition for any claim and payment referred to above must number at	have been received b	by the Consultant on	
The maximum amount of this guaradvance payment repaid by the Co			

<sup>1</sup> The Guarantor shall insert an amount representing the amount of the advance payment and denominated either in the currency(ies) of the advance payment as specified in the Contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the Client.

[signature(s)]

marked as "paid" by the Client which shall be presented to us. This guarantee shall expire, at
the latest, upon our receipt of the payment certificate or paid invoice indicating that the
Consultant has made full repayment of the amount of the advance payment, or on the day
of _[month], [year], whichever is earlier. Consequently, any demand for
payment under this guarantee must be received by us at this office on or before that date.
This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 2010 revision, ICC Publication No. 758.

{Note: All italicized text is for indicative purposes only to assist in preparing this form and shall be deleted from the final product.}

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Insert the expected expiration date. In the event of an extension of the time for completion of the Contract, the Client would need to request an extension of this guarantee from the Guarantor. Such request must be in writing and must be made prior to the expiration date established in the guarantee. In preparing this guarantee, the Client might consider adding the following text to the form, at the end of the penultimate paragraph: "The Guarantor agrees to a one-time extension of this guarantee for a period not to exceed [six months][one year], in response to the Client's written request for such extension, such request to be presented to the Guarantor before the expiry of the guarantee."

# **PART III**

Section 9. Notification of Intention to Award and Beneficial Ownership Forms

# **Notification of Intention to Award**

[This Notification of Intention to Award shall be sent to each Consultant whose Financial Proposal was opened. Send this Notification to the authorized representative of the Consultant].

For the attention of Consultant's authorized representative

Name: [insert authorized representative's name]

Address: [insert authorized representative's address]

Telephone/Fax numbers: [insert authorized representative's telephone/fax numbers]

Email Address: [insert authorized representative's email address]

[IMPORTANT: insert the date that this Notification is transmitted to all Consultants. The Notification must be sent to all Consultants simultaneously. This means on the same date and as close to the same time as possible.]

**DATE OF TRANSMISSION**: This Notification is sent by: [email/fax] on [date] (local time)

# **Notification of Intention to Award**

**Client:** [insert the name of the Client]

**Contract title:** [insert the name of the contract] **Country:** [insert country where RFP is issued]

**Loan No. /Credit No. /Grant No.:** [insert reference number for loan/credit/grant]

**RFP No:** [insert RFP reference number from Procurement Plan]

This Notification of Intention to Award (Notification) notifies you of our decision to award the above contract. The transmission of this Notification begins the Standstill Period. During the Standstill Period you may:

- a) request a debriefing in relation to the evaluation of your Proposal, and/or
- b) submit a Procurement-related Complaint in relation to the decision to award the contract.

#### 1. The successful Consultant

Name:	[insert name of successful Consultant]	
Address:	[insert address of the successful Consultant]	
Contract price:	[insert contract price of the successful Consultant]	

2. Short listed Consultants [INSTRUCTIONS: insert names of all short listed Consultants and indicate which Consultants submitted Proposals. Where the selection method requires it, state the price offered by each Consultant as read out, and as evaluated. Include overall technical scores and scores assigned for each criterion and sub-criterion. Select Full Technical Proposal (FTP) in the last column below.]

Name of Consultant	Submitted Proposal	[use for FTP] Overall technical scores	Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Evaluated Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Combined score and ranking (if applicable)
[insert name]	[yes/no]	Criterion (i): [insert score] Criterion (ii): [insert score] Criterion (iii): [insert score] Sub-criterion a: 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] Sub-criterion b: 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] 3: [insert score] Sub-criterion c: 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] Criterion (iv): [insert score] Criterion (v): [insert score] Total score: [insert score]	[Proposal price]	[evaluated price]	Combined Score: [combined score] Ranking: [ranking]
[insert name]	[yes/no]	Criterion (i): [insert score] Criterion (ii): [insert score] Criterion (iii): [insert score] Sub-criterion a:	[Proposal price]	[evaluated price]	Combined Score: [combined score] Ranking: [ranking]

Name of Consultant	Submitted Proposal	[use for FTP] Overall technical scores	Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Evaluated Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Combined score and ranking (if applicable)
		1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] Sub-criterion b: 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] Sub-criterion c: 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] Criterion (iv): [insert score] Criterion (v): [insert score] Total score: [insert score]			
[insert name]	[yes/no]	Criterion (i): [insert score] Criterion (ii): [insert score] Criterion (iii): [insert score] Sub-criterion a: 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] Sub-criterion b: 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] 3: [insert score] 1: [insert score] Sub-criterion c: 1: [insert score]	[Proposal price]	[evaluated price]	Combined Score: [combined score] Ranking: [ranking]

Name of Consultant	Submitted Proposal	[use for FTP] Overall technical scores	Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Evaluated Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Combined score and ranking (if applicable)
		2: [insert score]			
		3: [insert score]			
		Criterion (iv): [insert score]			
		Criterion (v): [insert score]			
		Total score: [insert score]			
[insert name]					

3. Reason/s why your Proposal was unsuccessful [Delete if the combined score already reveals the reason]

[INSTRUCTIONS; State the reason/s why  $\underline{this}$  Consultant's Proposal was unsuccessful. Do NOT include: (a) a point by point comparison with another Consultant's Proposal or (b) information that is marked confidential by the Consultant in its Proposal.]

4. How to request a debriefing [This applies only if your proposal was unsuccessful as stated under point (3) above]

# **DEADLINE:** The deadline to request a debriefing expires at midnight on [insert date] (local time).

You may request a debriefing in relation to the results of the evaluation of your Proposal. If you decide to request a debriefing your written request must be made within three (3) Business Days of receipt of this Notification of Intention to Award.

Provide the contract name, reference number, name of the Consultant, contact details; and address the request for debriefing as follows:

**Attention**: [insert full name of person, if applicable]

**Title/position**: [insert title/position] **Agency**: [insert name of Client]

**Email address**: [insert email address]

Fax number: [insert fax number] delete if not used

If your request for a debriefing is received within the 3 Business Days deadline, we will provide the debriefing within five (5) Business Days of receipt of your request. If we are unable to provide the debriefing within this period, the Standstill Period shall be extended by five (5) Business Days after the date that the debriefing is provided. If this happens, we will notify you and confirm the date that the extended Standstill Period will end.

The debriefing may be in writing, by phone, video conference call or in person. We shall promptly advise you in writing how the debriefing will take place and confirm the date and time.

If the deadline to request a debriefing has expired, you may still request a debriefing. In this case, we will provide the debriefing as soon as practicable, and normally no later than fifteen (15) Business Days from the date of publication of the Contract Award Notice.

## 5. How to make a complaint

DEADLINE: The deadline for submitting a Procurement-related Complaint challenging the decision to award the contract expires on midnight, [insert date] (local time).

Provide the contract name, reference number, name of the Consultant, contact details; and address the Procurement-related Complaint as follows:

**Attention**: [insert full name of person, if applicable]

**Title/position**: [insert title/position] **Agency**: [insert name of Client]

**Email address**: [insert email address]

Fax number: [insert fax number] delete if not used

[At this point in the procurement process] [Upon receipt of this notification] you may submit a Procurement-related Complaint challenging the decision to award the contract. You do not need to have requested, or received, a debriefing before making this complaint. Your complaint must be submitted within the Standstill Period and received by us before the Standstill Period ends.

## Further information:

For more information see the "<u>Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (Procurement Regulations)</u> (Annex III)." You should read these provisions before preparing and submitting your complaint. In addition, the World Bank's Guidance "<u>How to make a Procurement-related Complaint</u>" provides a useful explanation of the process, as well as a sample letter of complaint.

In summary, there are four essential requirements:

- 1. You must be an 'interested party'. In this case, that means a Consultant who has submitted a Proposal in this selection process, and is the recipient of a Notification of Intention to Award.
- 2. The complaint can only challenge the decision to award the contract.
- 3. You must submit the complaint within the deadline stated above.
- 4. You must include, in your complaint, all of the information required by the Procurement Regulations (as described in Annex III).

## 6. Standstill Period

# **DEADLINE:** The Standstill Period is due to end at midnight on [insert date] (local time).

The Standstill Period lasts ten (10) Business Days after the date of transmission of this Notification of Intention to Award.

The Standstill Period may be extended. This may happen where we are unable to provide a debriefing within the five (5) Business Day deadline. If this happens we will notify you of the extension.

If you have any questions regarding this Notification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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On behalf of [ins	sert the name of the Client]:
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Signature:	
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Title/position:	
Telephone:	
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# **Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form**

# INSTRUCTIONS TO CONSULTANTS: DELETE THIS BOX ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE FORM

This Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form ("Form") is to be completed by the successful Consultant. In case of joint venture, the Consultant must submit a separate Form for each member. The beneficial ownership information to be submitted in this Form shall be current as of the date of its submission.

For the purposes of this Form, a Beneficial Owner of a Consultant is any natural person who ultimately owns or controls the Consultant by meeting one or more of the following conditions:

- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the shares
- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the voting rights
- directly or indirectly having the right to appoint a majority of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Consultant

**Request for Proposal reference No.**: [insert identification no] Name of the Assignment: [insert name of the assignment]

To: [insert complete name of Client]

In response to your notification of award dated [insert date of notification of award] to furnish additional information on beneficial ownership: [select one option as applicable and delete the options that are not applicable]

(i) we hereby provide the following beneficial ownership information.

#### Details of beneficial ownership

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Identity of Beneficial Owner	Directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the shares (Yes / No)	Directly or indirectly holding 25 % or more of the Voting Rights (Yes / No)	Directly or indirectly having the right to appoint a majority of the board of the directors or an equivalent governing body of the Consultant (Yes / No)
[include full name (last, middle, first),			

nationality, country		
of residence]		

#### OR

- (ii) We declare that there is no Beneficial Owner meeting one or more of the following conditions:
  - directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the shares
  - directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the voting rights
  - directly or indirectly having the right to appoint a majority of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Consultant

#### OR

(iii) We declare that we are unable to identify any Beneficial Owner meeting one or more of the following conditions. [If this option is selected, the Consultant shall provide explanation on why it is unable to identify any Beneficial Owner]

- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the shares
- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the voting rights
- directly or indirectly having the right to appoint a majority of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Consultant]"

Name of the Consultant: *[insert complete name of the Consultant]
Name of the person duly authorized to sign the Proposal on behalf of the Consultant:  **[insert complete name of person duly authorized to sign the Proposal]
Title of the person signing the Proposal: [insert complete title of the person signing the Proposal]
Signature of the person named above: [insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown above]
Date signed [insert date of signing] day of [insert month], [insert year]

<sup>\*</sup> In the case of the Proposal submitted by a Joint Venture specify the name of the Joint Venture as Consultant. In the event that the Consultant is a joint venture, each reference to "Consultant" in the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form (including this Introduction thereto) shall be read to refer to the joint venture member.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Person signing the Proposal shall have the power of attorney given by the Consultant. The power of attorney shall be attached with the Proposal Schedules.

# ANNEXURE I - INSTRUCTION REGARDING USE OF e-PROCUREMENT PORTAL

# 1. General guidance for e-Tendering

Instructions/ Guidelines for tenders for electronic submission of the tenders have been annexed for assisting the contractor/bidders to participate in e-Tendering.

## 2. Registration of Contractor/bidder

Any contractor/bidder willing to take part in the process of e-Tendering will have to be enrolled & registered with the Government e-Procurement system, through online bidder enrollment in <a href="https://assamtenders.gov.in">https://assamtenders.gov.in</a> (the web portal of Assam Govt. e- Tendering). The contractor/bidder/bidder is to click on the <a href="Online Bidder Enrollment">Online Bidder Enrollment</a> link for creating their account and register their login Id and Password.

## 3. Digital Signature certificate (DSC)

Each contractor/bidder is required to obtain a class-II or Class-III Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) for submission of tenders

## 4. Downloading of Bid Documents

The contractor/bidder/bidder can download NIT & Bidding Documents from <a href="https://assamtenders.gov.in">https://assamtenders.gov.in</a>. There is also different search method for searching of published tenders.

#### 5. Participation in more than one work

A prospective bidder shall be allowed to participate in the job either in the capacity of individual or as a partner of a firm. If found to have applied severally in a single job all his applications will be rejected for that job.

#### 6. Submission of Tenders.

General process of submission, Tenders are to be submitted online through the website <a href="https://assamtenders.gov.in">https://assamtenders.gov.in</a>. The tender is a two cover

system and the bidder has to upload their documents as specified in each cover (folder), the first folder is for Technical Proposal & the other is Financial Proposal before the prescribed date &time using the Digital Signature Certificate (DSC). The documents uploaded should be virus scanned copy duly Digitally Signed. The documents will get encrypted (transformed into non readable formats).