

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Name of Project: U.P. Core Road Network Development Project

Loan No./Credit No./Grant No. : Applied for

Assignment Title: Hiring services of Financial Firm to assist U.P. P.W.D. in carrying out finance and accounting functions under the project

1. The Uttar Pradesh State Government, Public Works Department through Government of India has applied for financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Development of UP Core Road Network, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
2. PWD intends to hire services of accounting firm to provide support to PIU in carrying out finance and accounting functions. The firm shall work in close association with accounts staff and engineers of PWD Head office, field offices (Divisions/Circles) of GoUP. The services of firm would be initially required for a period of 24 months starting from October 01, 2015 and may be renewed after assessing the pace of project implementation, performance of firm on mutual consent.
3. Refer <http://uppwd.up.nic.in/wbprojects.html> for draft Terms of Reference for information purposes. The short listing of firms shall be based on following criteria

Eligibility Criteria:

- (i) Accounting Firm is empanelled with C&AG in panel of audit firms eligible for major audits. (Attach empanelled letter received from CAG)
- (ii) Accounting firm is Independent of PWD (no conflict of interest) and no disciplinary orders have been issued by ICAI against Firm and its Members. (Attach self-declaration certificate)

Evaluation Criteria (total 100 marks):


- (i) Accounting firm has experience in conducting external/internal audit of 3 Projects financed by bilateral/multilateral agencies in the last 5 years (40 marks)
 - (ii) Accounting firm has experience in conducting audit of 2 Government departments in the last 5 years (40 marks).
 - (iii) Accounting firm is based at Lucknow or outside firms having branch offices in Lucknow (20 marks)
4. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of World Bank's Guidelines: *Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers January 2011* ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment. There should not be Conflict among consulting assignments *as per paragraph 1.9 of Consultant Guidelines*. Consultant shall be selected in accordance with Fixed Budget Selection (FBS) method set out in Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours i.e. 10:00 to 17:00 hours from 15th July, 2015 to 10th Aug, 2015.

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Expressions of interest must be submitted online on e-procurement website <http://etender.up.nic.in> between 20th July, 2015 10.00 hrs to 14th Aug., 2015 16.00 hrs and same shall be opened online on 14th Aug., 2015 at 16.30 hrs.

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