No. 8-35 /PIA/CDRRP/PMC/2012-13 COASTAL DISASTER RISK REDUTION PROJECT(CDRRP) Credit No. 5279-IN

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

for

Hiring the Services of Project Management Consultant (PMC)

THE PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION AGENCY (A Regd. Society sponsored by Government of Puducherry)

The Project Implementation Agency has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Coastal Disaster Risk Reduction Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for Consultancy Services.

The Consulting Services of the "Project Management Consultant" includes supporting technical design, documentation, procurement support including procurement planning, bid document preparation and evaluation of bids, communication, progress and quality monitoring of all works, assisting in implementation of social and environmental safeguards action plans, providing social support on owners driven housing etc for the CDRRP scheme in Puducherry and Karaikal. Under the CDRRP, the Project Development objective is to reduce the vulnerability of coastal communities to a range of hydro-metrological natural hazards and develop sustainable fisheries and related livelihoods. The In-situ houses and housing at Nallavadu village (ongoing works), provision of Multi-disaster permanent owner built, In-situ houses (about 1000 nos) in vulnerable coastal area, replacement of overhead lines with underground cables (about 865 kms), strengthening (retro fitting) old 3 or 4 Govt. buildings; 3 bridges and 2 culverts comes under Vulnerability Reduction. The Fishing Infrastructure and safety at fishing harbour, Fish Markets and Work Shelters from erstwhile ETRP ongoing works of 10 Packages, to be under taken works of 7 Packages comes under Sustainable Fisheries. Procurement of Machinery, vehicles and Training in Fire Service Department and other related activities, comes under "Strengthening Risk Reduction and Response capacity".

The Project Implementation Agency now invites eligible consulting firms "Consultants" to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The short listing criteria are:

- 1. Organizational set-up and structure
- 2. Technical team and expert staff availability
- 3. Experience of the firm in similar type of assignments relevant to this consultancy, especially in externally aided projects, Fisheries livelihood and housing procurements in India and other developing countries.
- 4. Size of the consulting organization showing its financial performance and resources.

Knowledge of Tamil; and proven capability for liasioning with various regulatory Agencies under the Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF) besides availability of appropriate skills among key personnel will be added advantages.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers January2011("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a subconsultancy to enhance their qualifications.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection, in accordance with the procedures set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 8.45 to 17.45 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by 04.09.2013

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