## GOVERNMENT OF SINDH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT MONITORING AND EVALUATION CELL KARACHI

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THIRD PARTY VALIDATION

Contract for delivery of Consultancy Service to carry out the Third Party Validation of the Programme interventions of a project named "Union Council Based Poverty Reduction Program" in Districts Shikarpur and Kashmore-Kandhkot".

- 1. Sindh Rural Support Organization, Government of Sindh is implementing the project. The overarching objective of the program is to organize the poor communities and provide them access to grants, interest free loans, and vocational skills for improving their livelihoods in addition to low cost housing, health insurance, small scale community physical infrastructure etc. The households were identified through Poverty Scorecard Census. Most of the interventions are designed to focus the bottom two bands of PSC i.e. 0-11 and 12-18.
- 2. Government of Sindh intends to hire the services to carry out the Third Party validation of the Programme interventions to ensure transparency, quality and effective and judicious utilization of development funds. The TPV exercise will cover all served Union councils and all kind of services. The selected consulting firms / organizations will cover different sample size of different activities.
- 3. In this regard, M&E Cell, P&D Department, Govt. of Sindh invites the Expression of Interest (EOI) from the reputable Consulting Firms / Organizations, Public & Private Sector Academic Institutes for the purpose of validation of Union Council based Poverty Reduction Program in Districts Shikarpur and Kashmore-Kandhkot as per SPPRA Rules 2010.
- 4. The interested reputable consulting firms / organizations and academic institutes are invited to submit relevant documents for the purpose of TPV. The Consultants should have demonstrable relevant experience of 08-10 years in Validation, Research etc preferably in Social Development Sector. Prior experience of working in Sindh is preferred. The Request for Proposal will only be issued to the short listed firms
- 5. **Mandatory Provisions/Eligibility:** Firm must attach the following:
  - Valid registration certificate from income tax authority (NTN)
  - Registration with relevant professional body/organization.
  - Affidavit that firm has never been blacklisted or debarred by GOS.
  - Detail of disputes /litigation or arbitration with clients
  - Audited financial Statements for the last five years or any other documents which verifies their Financial Status.
  - Working Capital in hand for this project/work (Attach proof of Bank Statement/Credit Facilities).
  - Proposed methodology to carry out validation.

## 6. Evaluation Criteria

(i) Applications along with required documents shall be evaluated according to the criteria designed by MEC, P&D Department, Government of Sindh. The firms acquiring 70% of total score with at least 30% in each section shall only be short-listed. The RFP would only be issued

to the short listed firms.

- (ii) The Procuring Agency (PA) reserves the right to waive minor deviations, if these don't materially affect the capability of an applicant to perform the contract.
- (iii) The PA at its discretion ask any firm for clarification of any information with a reasonable time for submission of reply. If any applicant does not provide required clarification within that period, then applicant's application may be rejected.
- (iv) Procuring Agency shall disqualify the applicant if at any stage, it finds that the information submitted for prequalification was either significantly inaccurate or dubious/tempered.

## 7. Please note that:

- i. The firm shall enclose (one original and five copies) of documents in a sealed envelope which shall bear the name, address of applicant, by hand or through Courier / Registered Mail to the address mentioned in advertisement
- ii. If the envelop is not sealed and marked as required, the PA will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or pre-maturing opening of document.
- iii. Document shall be prepared in English language.
- iv. Any lapse to provide essential information may result in disqualification of the applicant.
- v. All clarifications must be sought five calendar days prior to date of opening.
- vi. At any time prior to deadline, the PA may issue addenda.
- vii. Consultants shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of their proposals. The MEC, P&D, Government of Sindh reserves the right to annul the procurement process at any time without thereby incurring any liability to the Applicant Firms.

The detailed TORs & Evaluation/Qualification Criteria can be acquired from Procurement Specialist, Monitoring & Evaluation Cell, P&D Deptt, Government of Sindh, 11th Floor, Lakson Square Building No. 1, Sarwar Shaheed Road, (Opposite Karachi Press Club). Tel No. 021-35620867-68 during office hours or you can visit our website www.mecsindh.gov.pk

8. The EOI may be sent by mail or to the office of Procurement Specialist (MEC), P&D, Government of Sindh on the address mentioned below within 15 days after the publication of this advertisement.

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