

FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

(CONSULTANT SERVICES)

INDIA

Punjab Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Project

Consulting Services

Credit No. 4251- IN

Project ID No. P 090592

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The Government of Punjab (GOP) has received a credit from the International Development Association in an amount equivalent to US \$ 154 million towards the cost of PRWSS project and intends to apply a part of the proceeds for consultant services. The services include engaging the Chartered Accountants firms as Auditors for conducting audit of Gram Panchayat Water Supply and Sanitation Committees (GPWSCs) situated in all the districts of Punjab. The Project implementation of the Water Supply and Sanitation Schemes would be done GPWSCs. For implementation of the schemes, funds would be released to GPWSC by Department in three tranches. The audit report is one of the pre-requisites for the release of next tranche to GPWSC.

The scope of this assignment is to audit the program activities implemented by the individual GPWSC in approximately 1100 schemes. This would include Certification of two Interim and one Final Expenditure Statements of GPWSCs i.e. conducting of three audits for each GPWSC/scheme, certifying that project funds have been used for the purposes intended for. The work would also include certification of expenditure statement, audit of expenditure, community contribution, procurement, social audit/transparency. The auditors will be paid by the SPMC and will audit the GPWSCs on behalf of the Department. Consultant would need sufficient manpower to be able to respond to requests within 7 days i.e. be able to visit the GPWSC and certify. The assignment will initially be given for a period upto December, 2013 extendable as per requirement for another one year.

State Programme Management Cell Ajitgarh now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, relevant experience in similar condition, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's *Guidelines Selection & Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers*.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours (0900 To 1700 Hours) on working days and the Web Site of the Department www.pbdwss.gov.in.

Expressions of Interest must be delivered to the address below upto 11.06.2013 by 11:00 AM..

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