



GOVERNMENT OF SINDH FOREST & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT



REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

FEASIBILITY STUDY AND TRANSACTION ADVISORY SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CARBON EMISSION REDUCTION & CARBON REMOVAL PROGRAM THROUGH FORESTATION PROJECT UNDER PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP MODE

RFP Ref. No.: PD/PPPN/FWD/PROC/FSTA/2023-24

Date: 06th September 2023

ASSIGNMENT BRIEF

Forest & Wildlife Department, Government of Sindh ('**Procuring Agency**') has conceived a project for the development of carbon emission reduction & carbon removal program through forestation project on an area of approx. 108,068 acres located in districts Matiari and Jamshoro with the primary objectives to protect and increase vegetative cover over state-owned forestlands, restore forests productivity for wood production and ecosystem improvement, promote environmental stability, preserve biodiversity and natural heritage, strengthen social forestry activities for tree growing and ensure availability & supply of planting stock to farmers on subsidized rates to enhance tree growth in province thereby enhancing carbon sequestration process and achieving sustainable development goals through a public-private partnership modality ('**Project**').

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meaning given to them in the RFP Document.

The Procuring Agency now invites the sealed Bids from the Eligible Bidders (individual firms or their Consortia, as the case may be) for conducting a feasibility study and providing transaction advisory services to develop the Project under public-private partnership or any other suitable modality considering the Project's sustainability, viability, profitability, and value for money analysis ('**Assignment**') in accordance with the Sindh Public Procurement Rules, 2010 (as amended) ('**SPP Rules**').

SCOPE OF SERVICES

The consulting scope of services relating to the Project's development under this Assignment includes, but is not limited to the:

- To conduct technical (including environmental and social), financial, and legal due diligence relating to the Project;
- To outline design parameters covering all the facilities and propose viable options along with features after ground appraisals of the Projects' locations following the industry's best practices and applicable standards;
- To prepare land acquisition folder(s) along with the assessment of land compensation amount;
- To prepare utilities folder(s) along with estimated relocation/ strengthening of existing utilities;
- To prepare the Project detailed plan based on the feasibility assessments;
- To analyze the PPP options with an assessment of various structuring choices and risk allocation matrixes and recommend the most feasible option for undertaking the Project;
- To prepare and deliver presentations and reports on the Project-related documents before the PPP Policy Board and any other forum for seeking approvals as required under the SPP Rules and Sindh PPP Act, 2010;
- To prepare bid documents for solicitation of bids from private party(ies) under the preferred PPP mode; and
- To perform the tasks identified and described in the RFP Document while maintaining close collaboration with the Project's key stakeholders, mainly the Procuring Agency, at all stages of the contract management.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The prospective Bidders (individual consulting firms or their consortium, as the case may be) must qualify the eligibility, technical evaluation criteria, and other terms & conditions with supporting documents, where required, as set out in the RFP Document.

BIDDING PROCESS

The Assignment's procurement shall be conducted in accordance with the National Competitive Bidding using the Quality Cost Based Selection method, following the procedure prescribed under Rule 15(2)(b) & 72(3) of the SPP Rules, and is open to all the Eligible Bidders. The Contract will be awarded to the Bidder whose Bid found as the Most Advantageous Bid in accordance with the criteria and other terms and conditions set out in the RFP Document.

The prospective Bidders may seek further information by obtaining the RFP Document, free of cost, with effect from 06th to 28th September 2023, either (a) physically, by submitting a written application during office hours at the address given below or (b) electronically, by sending a request at the email address given below or downloading from the websites of the Procuring Agency <https://sindhforests.gov.pk/> or <https://www.pppunitsindh.gov.pk/> or SPPRA <https://ppms.pprasindh.gov.pk/PPMS/> or by sending a request via email addressed to the Procuring Agency at ppp.fsta@gmail.com or sfd1ppp@gmail.com.

The prospective Bidders are required to submit Bids comprising one (1) original Technical Proposal, one (1) original Financial Proposal, and one (1) soft copy of the Technical Proposal (on USB/ DVD) containing all the supporting documents, as applicable, and identified in the RFP Document, no later than 16:30 Hrs. PST on 29th September 2023 ('**Bids Submission Deadline**') at the submission address given below. Electronic bids will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected.

The Bids (Technical Proposals only) will be opened on the Bids Submission Deadline at **16:45 Hrs. PST** in the presence of the Bidder(s) representatives, who may wish to attend. However, in case of a public holiday or any unforeseen event on the Bids Submission Deadline, the Bids shall be received and opened on the next business day at the same time and venue.

ADDRESS FOR SUBMISSION AND OPENING OF BIDS

Attention: Chief Conservator of Forests, Forest & Wildlife Department

Address: Barrak No. 10, Sindh Secretariat 4-A, Court Road, Karachi.

All the Bids shall remain valid for ninety (90) Days effective from the Bids Submission Deadline and must be accompanied by a corresponding Bid Security equivalent to 2% of the Bid Price in the shape of a pay order/ demand draft/ bank guarantee, valid for twenty-eight (28) Days beyond the bid validity period, issued by a scheduled bank of Pakistan in favor of '**Secretary, Forest & Wildlife Department, Government of Sindh**' and must be enclosed in original with the Financial Proposal in accordance with the requirements set out in the RFP Document.

The Procuring Agency reserves its right to reject any or all Bids or cancel the Bidding Process, in whole or in part, at any time prior to accepting a Bid(s), subject to the relevant provisions of the SPP Rules.

The address referred to above for the issuance of the RFP Document and seeking further information is:

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