



Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Project Director
Sustainable Forests & Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project
Bangladesh Forest Department
Ban Bhaban, Agargaon, Dhaka-1207, Bangladesh
www.bforest.gov.bd

Memo no. FD/SUFAL/Procurement/SD-37/15/2021/1430

Date: August 25, 2021

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI)

Country: Bangladesh

Name of the Project: Sustainable Forests & Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project

Credit No: 6325-BD

Assignment Title: **Consulting Services for Valuation of Ecosystem Services (Wealth Accounting) and Assessment of Payment for Ecosystem Services.**

Reference No. Package no: SD-37

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Sustainable Forests & Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for this consulting services.

This consulting services ("the Services") has the broad objectives:

- a) devise a set of Natural Capital Accounts for forestry in Bangladesh that meets international standards, apply these nationally and to selected Protected Areas, and
- b) explore the feasibility of Payments for Ecosystems Services in Ramgarh-Sitakunda Reserved Forests.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment and soft copy of Prescribed Format for Submission of Expression of Interest can be found at the following website: www.bforest.gov.bd or can be obtained at the address given below.

The Bangladesh Forest Department (BFD) now invites eligible firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information on Prescribed Format issued with this REOI demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The required qualification and experience of the firm/firms are as follows:

- A registered consulting firm with 10 years of working experience in natural resource management;
- Having 05 years of experience in similar kind of works;
- Working with ecosystem service valuation (ESV) and payment for ecosystem services (PES) will be an added advantage
- Experience of working under donor funded projects will be an added advantage;
- The consulting firm will have sufficient and relevant managerial, financial and organizational capabilities and logistics for the assignment;

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

Attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 (Revised on November 2017 & August 2018) ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

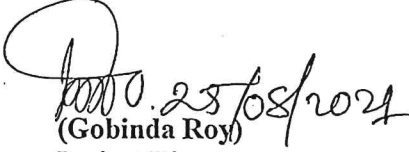
Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the


partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected. It is preferable to limit the maximum number of joint venture partners in 03 (three) including the Lead partner. Although the lead firm in the joint venture will provide the core expertise, each partner of the JV has to be reasonably qualified to take over the responsibilities and role of any of the partners that may fail to perform or withdraws.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 9:00 to 17:00 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **September 22, 2021 up to 3:00 PM**.


(Gobinda Roy)
Project Director
Sustainable Forests and Livelihoods (SUFAL) Project
Bangladesh Forest Department (BFD)
Ban Bhaban, Agargaon, Sher-e-Bangla Nagar
Dhaka-1207, Bangladesh
Phone: +880-2-55006786
E-mail: sufal.pmu@gmail.com


25.08.21