

Section 1. Letter of Invitation

RFP No. IN-IWAI-205136-CS-QCBS

Loan/Credit/Grant No. 8752-

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Noida, 13th August, 2021

Dear Mr. /Ms.:

1. The Government of India (hereinafter called “Borrower”) has applied for financing from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) (the “Bank”) in the form of a “loan” (hereinafter called “loan” toward the cost of Capacity Augmentation of National Waterway – 1 (Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP))). The Inland Waterways Authority of India *on behalf of the Government of India*, intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to eligible payments under the contract for which this Request for Proposals is issued. Payments by the Bank will be made only at the request of the Government of India and upon approval by the Bank, and will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the loan¹ agreement. The loan agreement prohibits a withdrawal from the loan account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of the Bank, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than the Borrower shall derive any rights from the loan agreement or have any claims to the proceeds of the loan.
2. The Client now invites proposals to provide the following consulting services (hereinafter called “Services”): for Hiring of an Organization for Project Management Consultancy Services for Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP) including JMVP-II (Arth Ganga). More details on the Services are provided in the Terms of Reference (Section 7).
3. This Request for Proposals (RFP) has been addressed to the following shortlisted Consultants:
 1. M/s Aarvee Associates Architects Engineers & Consultants Pvt. Ltd. India
 2. M/s Inros Lackner SE, Germany
 3. M/s KPMG Advisory Services Pvt. Ltd. India
 4. M/s LN Malviya Infra Projects Pvt. Ltd. India
 5. M/s Medhaj Techno Concept Pvt. Ltd. India
 6. M/s PricewaterhouseCoopers Pvt. Ltd. India
4. It is not permissible to transfer this invitation to any other firm.
5. A firm will be selected under QCBS procedures and in a Full Technical Proposal (FTP) format as described in this RFP, in accordance with the policies of the Bank detailed in the Consultants’ Guidelines which can be found at the following website: www.worldbank.org/procure.

¹[“loan agreement” term is used for IBRD loans; “financing agreement” is used for IDA credits; and “grant agreement” is used for Recipient-Executed Trust Funds administered by IBRD or IDA]

The RFP includes the following documents:

- Section 1 - Letter of Invitation
- Section 2 - Instructions to Consultants and Data Sheet
- Section 3 - Technical Proposal (FTP) - Standard Forms
- Section 4 - Financial Proposal - Standard Forms
- Section 5 –Eligible Countries
- Section 6 – Bank’s Policy – Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices
- Section 7 - Terms of Reference
- Section 8 - Standard Forms of Contract (Time-Based)

6. This RFP is available online at <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> for the short-listed consultants only. The short-listed consultants are required to register on this website at no cost and prior to the submission of proposals. Consultant is also required to have a Digital Signature (DSC) from one of the Government of India authorized Certifying Authorities in order to submit a proposal on line at the web address indicated above. The list of the authorized Certifying Authorities can be found at www.cca.gov.in .

7. Please inform us by 19.08.2021, in writing at: Project Management Unit, Capacity Augmentation of the National Waterway – 1 Project (Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP)) Inland Waterways Authority of India (Ministry of Shipping, Government of India) Head Office: A-13, Sector – 1, Noida - 201301, by facsimile: +91120 2543976, or by E-mail: vc@iwai.gov.in:
 - (a) that you have received the Letter of Invitation; and
 - (b) whether you intend to submit a proposal alone or intend to enhance your experience by requesting permission to associate with other firm(s) (if permissible under Section 2, Instructions to Consultants (ITC), Data Sheet 14.1.1).

8. Details on the proposal’s submission date, time and address are provided in Clauses 17.7 and 17.9 of the ITC.

Yours sincerely,

Vice Chairman & Project Director, (JMVP),
Inland Waterways Authority of India