

OFFICE OF THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT & IMPLEMENTATION UNIT SINDH EARLY LEARNING ENHANCEMENT THROUGH CLASSROOM TRANSFORMATION REFORM SUPPORT UNIT (RSU), SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY DEPARTMENT HOUSE NO.47-E/1, 48TH STREET, BLOCK#06, PECHS, NEAR NURSERY, SHAHRAH-E-FAISAL, KARACHI



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

COUNTRY: PAKISTAN

NAME OF PROJECT: SINDH EARLY LEARNING ENHANCEMENT THROUGH CLASSROOM TRANSFORMATION (SELECT) PROJECT

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT: GOVERNMENT OF SINDH EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION UNIT (PMIU) OF REFORM SUPPORT UNIT (RSU).

LOAN NO./CREDIT NO./ GRANT NO: TF-B6208

ASSIGNMENT TITLE: CONSULTING FIRM FOR PROVIDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TEACHING AND LEARNING MATERIAL FOR EARLY GRADE READING

REFERENCE NO. PK-RSU-SINDH-376381-CS-CQS

The Govt of the Sindh (hereinafter called "Borrower") has received financing from the International Development Association (IDA) in the form of a "loan" (hereinafter called "loan") towards the cost of SELECT Project. The Project Management and Implementation Unit (PMIU) of Reform Support Unit (RSU), Education and Literacy Department (ELD), Government of Sindh, an implementing/executing agency of the project, hereinafter, referred to as 'Client' intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to eligible payments under the contract for Hiring of IT Firm for the software development of student attendance monitoring and redressal system.

This comprehensive plan outlines the necessary steps for the firm to enhance early-grade teaching and learning materials in Sindh for Sindhi and Urdu languages. The main tasks include conducting a situation analysis, assessing specific needs, reviewing existing materials, developing new materials, providing training, and collaborating with other entities. The goal is to improve literacy skills in grades 1-5 and support teachers and students through various means, such as interactive audio-video instructions, scripted lesson plans, workbooks, and digital app content. Additionally, the firm will work closely with the Material Development & Material Review Committees and collaborate with PMIU and other technical assistance firms to ensure the success of the initiative.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found/obtained at the following website and address: https://rsu-sindh.gov.pk/

The PMIU-SELECT/RSU Education & Literacy Department now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The expression of interest (EOIs) shall be evaluated based on the following information.

| S# | Description of | Detailed description | Required documents |
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| | Criteria | | |
| 1 | Year in Business | A minimum requirement for Firms/Institutions/JV/Consortium is to have a minimum of 15 years of experience working in the education sector | Certificate of incorporation with government agencies or other relevant documents. |
| 2 | Relevant Assignment | Firms/Institutions/JV/Consortium should have successfully completed or be currently involved in a minimum of 5 similar assignments each of minimum value of PKR 10 million or above. | Award Letter or Contract agreement and other relevant document |
| 3 | General Experience | Firms/Institutions/JV/Consortium have completed or currently involved in providing consulting services in education sector for last 10 years. | Award Letter or Contract agreement and other relevant document |
| 4 | Technical & Managerial Capacity | Firms/Institutions/JV/Consortium must demonstrate sufficient technical and managerial capacity to effectively handle this specific type of assignment. | Firms/Institutions/JV/Consortium should be able to demonstrate and share detail of technical and managerial human resource related to education sector as well as overall staff and offices in Pakistan and abroad for rendering consulting services. |
| 5 | Regional Experience | Firms/Institutions/JV/Consortium should preferably possess a prior experience of working in education sector in Sindh with Sindh public/private education system. | Firms/Institutions/JV/Consortium are expected to provide a track record that convincingly illustrates their experience and expertise within the local education system's context. |

The Firm must be an active taxpayer.

The 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 November 2017 and 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.

The selection of consultants shall be made in accordance with the Consultant Qualification Selection (CQS) set out in the "World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, dated July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018".

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below ,in person or Through Courier, by 13th September 2023

Project Management & Implementation Unit (PMIU), Reform Support Unit (RSU), SELD, Govt of Sindh

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