NEPAL ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY

(A Government of Nepal Undertaking)
Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI)

For

1. The Government of Nepal has received financing from Asian Development Bank in the form of a loan toward the cost of Electricity Grid Modernization Project (EGMP) and Electricity Grid Modernization Project-Additional Financing (EGMP-AF). Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA), the implementing agency of the project intends to apply part of the proceeds of the loan to eligible payments under consultant's services. With the facility, NEA intends to undertake the Environment and Social Safeguards Implementation and monitoring works of following subprojects under EGMP and EGMP-AF through consulting services.

EGMP subprojects;

- 1. Dadakhet-Rahughat 132 kV Transmission Line Project, Myagdi district
- 2. Ghorahi-Madichaur 132 kV TL Project, Rolpa, Pyuthan and Dang districts
- 3. Borang-Naubise (Ratamate) 220 kV TL project, Dhading and Nuwakot districts

EGMP- AF subprojects;

- 4. Kohalpur-Nepalgung 132 kV TL project, Banke District
- 5. Chovar- Patan 132 kV Underground TL project, Kathmandu and Lalitpur districts
- 2. In particular, the principal activities of the Consulting Firm shall include inter alia the following:
 - Provide Expert Services of Environment Safeguard Officers, Social Safeguard Officers, Environment Health and Safety Officer and Ecologist/Biodiversity Expert for Social and Environment Safeguard Implementation and Monitoring Works of the projects
 - Ensure compliance with all relevant environmental, social, and health and safety standards and regulations as per the national legislation and ADB's Safeguard Policy for the Project.
 - Work closely with the Client to implement the Environment and Social Management Plan (ESMP) and ensure that mitigation measures are integrated into the Project's construction and operational phases.
 - Monitor and report on the progress of mitigation activities regularly and prepare monthly/quarterly/semiannual and annual social and environmental monitoring reports
 - Facilitate stakeholder consultations and engagement to address concerns and incorporate stakeholder feedback into safeguard activities.
- 3.NEA ("the Employer") now invites eligible consulting firm or consortium of consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing their services. Expression of Interest (EOI) will be assessed based on Expression of interest (EOI) will be assessed based on Management Competence (10%). Technical Competence (30%), Geographical Competence (20%) and Evaluation of CV of the key experts (40%). Based on the evaluation of EOI, shortlisted consultant will be invited to submit a Bio-data technical proposal and financial proposal through the request for proposal. Based on the evaluation of EOI, shortlisted consulting firms will be invited to submit a full technical proposal and financial proposal through the Request for Proposal (RFP).
- 4. The same information (detailed request for EOI and Terms of Reference) can be found in the office of NEA or downloaded from the web site: www.nea.org.np. The interested Consultants must provide information that shows experience and qualification in the related field with substantiation, description of completed similar assignments, work experience in the related areas, etc. to show their managerial, technical, CV of proposed experts and geographical competence to perform the services. Also, additional information in the form of brochures, description of completed similar assignments, work experience in the specified areas, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc. to show their technical, managerial



- and financial competence to perform the services should be provided. Such information must also include a brief description of the firm together with the organization structure and staffing.
- 5. The application should be in sufficient details to be verifiable. Consultants/Firm may associate with others to enhance their qualifications. In such cases the consulting firm shall provide name, address and other details of associated firms and information of the primary consulting firm.
- 6. The services to be provided by the firm(s) are estimated at 631 person-months in total of all required experts for different subprojects and 24-42 months of the consulting firm depending upon the scope of the projects.
- 7. The consultant must have completed at least one (1) assignment of accomplishing task listed in 2. The Consultant must provide information on the relevant consultancy services jobs undertaken in the past seven (7) years giving a brief description of each job undertaken, the funding source(s), and amount of contract and information on the client/employer;
- i. Corporate profile of the firm;
- ii. Information on organizational strength (organizational structure, number of Permanent professional staffs and number of total staffs)
- In order to substantiate the aforementioned consulting, the consultant shall submit the End User Certificate from Client depicting main scope of the contract. Incomplete or On-going Consulting Contracts will not be taken in to account and hence will not be evaluated.
- 8. The Consultant(s) will be selected and engaged in accordance with the Financial Bylaw of Nepal Electricity Authority 2068.
- 9. Tentative commencement date of the consultant will be December 2023.
- 10. The Expressions of Interest, EOI shall be delivered to the address below within 15 days of notice publication. The EOI should be clearly marked with "Expression of Interest for Selection of Consultant for Consulting Services for Social and Environment Safeguards Implementation and Monitoring Works under the EGMP and EGMP AF.
- 11. In case the last date of obtaining and submission of the EOI documents happens to be a holiday, the next working day will be deemed as the due date but the time will be the same as stipulated

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- 12. The interested Consultant(s) may obtain further information at the above address during office hours.
- 13. NEA reserves the right to reject any or all of the EOIs at any stage without assigning any reason whatsoever and without incurring any liability to the affected applicant(s). NEA will not be responsible for any cost of expenses incurred by the consultants in connection with the preparation or delivery of the EOI.

