

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES (DOWR),
GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA**

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Inviting Expression of Interest for NGO involvement in Pani Pachyat Strengthening including Participatory Planning and Implementation of Participatory Irrigation Management (PIM), Command Area Development (CAD), Agricultural Support Services and Agri-Business/Marketing under Orissa Integrated Irrigated Agriculture and Water Management Investment Program (OIIAWMIP).

Government of Orissa (GoO) is seeking assistance from Asian Development Bank through Government of India for Orissa Integrated Irrigated Agriculture and Water Management Project (OIIAWMIP) under Orissa Integrated Irrigated Agriculture and Water Management Investment Program (OIIAWMIP) as a firm Multi-tranche Financing Facility (MFF) loan during 2008 for US\$188.2 million, to be implemented in four tranches. The program (OIIAWMIP) aims at promoting rural economic growth and reduce poverty in the selected river basins/ geographical areas and institutionalize effective mechanisms to strengthen and put into operation Participatory Irrigation Management (PIM)-based agriculture growth. The objectives of the programme will be achieved through: Institutional strengthening; Participatory Sub-Project planning and implementation focusing on Rehabilitation, Extension and Modernization (REM) including Command Area Development (CAD); strengthening of PPs; efficient Operation and Maintenance (O&M) systems established at the levels of individual Pani Panchyats and their higher tier committees; and enhanced agriculture production and income delivered where PPs are developed as cohesive platforms to extent linkages with input delivery, technical support, and product marketing. The Executing Agency will be the Department of Water Resources

(DoWR). This EOI is for Taladanda Major Irrigation subproject of OIIAWMIP to be implemented in the first tranche, covering 73 PPs having about 32700 Ha. of net irrigated area (NIA). The implementation period is 5 years.

At the Sub Project level, OIIAWMIP is implemented through Sub Project Implementation Office (SIO). The NGO will be working with SIO and deploy : (i) two staff to SIO (an NGO coordinator and an agriculture extension expert), (ii) Support Services Teams (SST) and (iii) Facilitators at PP levels. In each SST (covering about 7 to 9 PPs assuring an average of about 450 Ha. per PP, the NGO will provide 3 staff comprising PIM, Agricultural Extension (with agri-business and marketing expertise) and CAD and Water Management Specialists. One local facilitator will be engaged by the NGO for each PP. The NGO will develop sustainable PPs to (i) ensure REM benefits (ii) improve irrigation system O&M , and (iii) ensure the delivery of agricultural support services, facilitate improved cropping practices and post-harvest operations like marketing and value addition . The NGO would bring expert knowledge and skills. National NGOs may associate with local partner NGOs (and /or service organizations like local Universities). At the peak demand, the NGO may have to employ 35 nos of coordinators, 7 Nos. of PIM specialists, 7 nos. of Agricultural extension/ agribusiness and marketing expert & 5 nos. CAD & Water Management expert.

The expected outputs include : (i) Effective mobilization of all PPs and farmers in collective action for planning, implementation and monitoring of Sub projects; (ii) Management and execution of O & M within PP command areas of irrigation systems by PPs; (iii) support for agricultural production by PPs; (iv) Enhanced capability of farmers for managing water and agricultural production to obtain high

yields and grow rabi and diversified crops; (v) Increased incomes and living standards of farmers and (vi) Increased participation of women and weaker sections.

The Chief Engineer-cum-project Director, PMU of OIIAWMIP, Department of Water Resources, Government of Orissa now invites Expression of Interest (EOI) for providing these services from competent NGOs having experience in handling similar works (i.e., experience relevant to participatory Irrigation Management (PIM) & strengthening PPs, Participatory community mobilization providing services and working with farmers/ farmers organizations on PIM, including O & M and Participatory CAD work, irrigated agriculture agribusiness/marketing & Capacity Building).

NGO having experience in areas covered by this assignment would be assigned additional marks.

The registration of NGO under the Societies Registration Act should be up to date to be furnished along with EOI.

The NGO should have been operating for a minimum of 10 years and have worked with irrigation related activities for a minimum 3 years.

Audited accounts and annual reports for last five years should be submitted during submission of E.O.I. The EOIs received would be evaluated and a short-list of qualified NGO(s) will be prepared. The short listed NGOs will be supplied with the "Request for Proposal (RFP)", including "Terms of Reference (TOR)". The NGO(s) will be selected following the guidelines of the Asian Development Bank for "Quality and Cost-Based Selection" (QCBS) & under STP norms. The Project Management Unit (PMU) will manage the NGO Contract and PMU consultants will guide and provide technical assistance.

Interested NGOs should provide full information about their experience / capacity relevant to this assignment supported by documentary proof describing their staff strength (technical & non technical categorically), administrative, financial management and coordination strength & experience in related projects over the last five years in the following format :

Name and address, year of establishment, correspondence address, telephone and e-mail :

Number of years of experience :

(In case the NGO is not based in Orissa) local partner organizations(s), if any :

Staff strength by category :-

Administrative, financial management and coordination strength (with audited annual statement of income and expenditure & annual report for the last five years).

Experience in similar Projects. Please provide the name(s) and detailed address (es) of the Project Authorities / Agencies (Clients): value of work executed with supporting documents in support of evidence. The work experience without supporting documents shall not be taken into consideration for evaluation.

Any evidence showing the good performance of the previously engaged works such as completion certificate and positive evaluation by a third party would be encouraged.

Years	Name of the Project/Programme and State	Description and nature of Services provided, including Budget	Description and evidence of success .

The NGO, if necessary, may form a joint venture, consortium or association to enhance their qualifications.

Further details can be obtained from office of the Chief Engineer-cum-Project Director, PMU (OIIAWMIP), 5th Floor Rajiv Bhawan, Deptt. of Water Resources, Orissa, Bhubaneswar during office hours (i.e 10.00 to 17.00 hours)

Expression of Interest must be submitted to the address below both in hard and soft (electronic) copy using the standard format available at http://www.adb.org/Consulting/EOI_firms.doc by 21st January 2009.

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