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Millennium Challenge Account Nepal (MCA-Nepal)

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Country	Nepal
Project Name	Electricity Transmission Project
Procurement Title	Procurement of Consulting Services for Preparation and Implementation of Resettlement Action Plans (RAP) and Preparation, Supervision of Implementation of Livelihood Restoration Plans (LRP) for the Transmission Line Alignment of Electricity Transmission Project (ETP)
Procurement Ref. Number	MCA-N/ETP/QCBS/010
Type of Procurement	Consulting Services
Employer	Millennium Challenge Account Nepal
Publication Date	8 March 2022
Submission Deadline	15 April 2022

The Government of Nepal, acting through the Ministry of Finance (the "Government") and the United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC"), entered into a Millennium Challenge Compact on September 14, 2017, providing for a grant of up to FIVE HUNDRED MILLION United States Dollars (US \$500,000,000) to advance economic growth and reduce poverty in Nepal (the "Compact"), to which the Government will contribute up to US\$130,000,000 for a program to reduce poverty through economic growth in Nepal, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract to be awarded for Consulting Services for Preparation and Implementation of Resettlement Action Plans (RAP) and Preparation, Supervision of Implementation of Livelihood Restoration Plans (LRP) for the Transmission Line Alignment of Electricity Transmission Project (ETP). MCA-Nepal is currently in the preparatory phase of the program before the start of the implementation of the projects.

MCC's funding is appropriated by the U.S. Congress and obligated to the compact up-front, with no incremental or partial funding. So, when a contract is signed with an MCA Entity, money is already available to the MCA Entity and, for most contracts, invoices are paid directly to Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers by the US Treasury.

MCA-Nepal now invites proposals from interested eligible consultants (as per Part 10 of the MCC Program Procurement Guidelines "Eligibility Verification Procedures") to provide consultancy services comprises the following 5 tasks:

- A. Preparatory Planning A Resettlement Manual.
- B. Conduct at least three rounds of consultations with all the affected PAP including forest users groups and other key stakeholders during the RAP and LRP preparation process; i) prior to the start of RAP/LRP process; ii) during RAP/LRP preparation process, and iii) after the draft RAP/LRP is prepared. The tentative estimated number of consultation meetings and workshops are four hundred (400) involving a group of 25 or more participants in each meeting.
- C. Develop a Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) and integrated within this Plan, a Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP) for each of the three segments of the transmission line length.
- D. Implement the RAP and,
- E. Supervise the LRP Implementation.

Procurement process will be conducted through the **Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS)** method procedures as specified in the MCC Program Procurement Guidelines (PPG) and is open to all eligible consultants as defined in the PPG.

A complete set of the Request for Proposals (RFP) documents may be obtained by interested eligible consultants upon the submission of a written application at the following email address <u>MCANepalPA@cardno.com</u> with cc to <u>MCANepalPA@mcanp.org</u>.

Proposals must be uploaded to the File Request Link (FRL) provided below on or before **15:00 hours (local time of Nepal (GMT+5:45))** on **15 April 2022**. Only electronic proposal submission will be permitted. Late proposals will be rejected. Proposals will be publicly opened in the presence of the consultants' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcqd-2vrzMuHNfnc37YrQQU6UeX3R3WD2Lz</u> on **15:30 hours (local time of Nepal (GMT+5:45))** on **15 April 2022**.

The File Request Link referred to above is:	The File Request Link (Dropbox link) for submission of Application is as follows : <u>https://www.dropbox.com/request/qKlrnFw815RG8NLyiU9R</u>
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