





MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT NEPAL (MCA-NEPAL)

OUTREACH UPCOMING PROCUREMENTS ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION PROJECT

Power Sector Technical Assistance to Electricity Regulatory Commission (ERC) and Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA)

- 1. The Federal Democratic Republic 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\$197,000,000 for a program to reduce poverty through economic growth in Nepal.
- 2. The Compact program includes investment from MCC of approximately US \$ 500 million and an additional US \$ 197 million from the Government, for a total of approximately US \$ 697 million. It includes two projects: (i) The Electricity Transmission Project (ETP) will manage the construction of about 315 km of 400 kV electricity transmission lines, three substations, and technical assistance for the power sector; and (ii) The Road Maintenance Project (RMP) will provide technical assistance to improve the road maintenance regime and road maintenance works on about 300 kilometers of the strategic road network. The program would include the procurement of contractors and consultants for design, construction and supervision of electricity lines and substations, road maintenance works, including a variety of technical services, equipment and construction works in different geographic locations within Nepal. These contracts will be competed through open international procurement procedures.
- 3. Power Sector Technical Assistance Activity aims to support the establishment of an independent electricity sector regulator (the Electricity Regulatory Commission or "ERC"), as well as capacity-building through technical assistance to help bring transparency, efficiency, and competition into Nepal's power sector. MCC Funding will be used to embed experts within ERC to improve ERC's skills in rule-making, dispute resolution, and economic and technical regulation. This Activity will also focus on helping the Nepal Electricity Authority ("NEA") improve its transmission business in the areas of regulatory cost recovery, improved grid operations, and better system planning.
- 4. MCA-Nepal, which oversees and manages the projects funded by the Compact, intends to organize two Outreach Events (in Kathmandu, Nepal and in New Delhi, India) with Consulting Firms Representatives to provide relevant information on the upcoming Procurements for Technical Assistance to ERC and Technical Assistance to NEA and share available updated procurement information, as applicable.
- 5. **Outreach in Kathmandu, Nepal**: This event is conducted to reach out (i) Consulting Firms







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with representatives in Nepal and (ii) International Consulting Firms. The Outreach shall be held in two ways: (i) Via Webinar (Zoom Platform) for Consulting Firms located outside Nepal; (ii) in person for Consulting Firms located in Kathmandu/Nepal, as follows:

Date: 01 August 2023

9:30 AM - 2:30 PM (GMT +5:45)

In Person Participants: Shall register by sending an email to the email addresses in point 7 below, not later than **25 July 2023**, close of Business Kathmandu time. Please take note that due to space availability only two participants (in person) per Organization will be allowed. However, there is no limit on the number of participants attending the outreach online.

Online Participants: A Zoom link will be provided to the participants upon registration by sending an email to the email addresses at the bottom of this document.

Venue for the Event: Hotel Marriot Nagpokhari, Kathmandu

6. <u>Outreach in New Delhi, India</u>: This event is conducted to reach Consultants based in Asia or with Representatives in India. The Outreach Event shall be held in two ways: (i) Via Webinar (Zoom Platform) for Consulting Firms located outside India; (ii) in person for Consulting Firms located or with Representatives in New Delhi/India, as follows:

Date: 8 August 2023

10:00 AM - 2:30 pm (GMT +5:30)

In Person Participants: Shall register by sending an email to the email addresses in point 7 below, not later than **31 July 2023**, close of Business Kathmandu time. Please take note that due to space availability only two participants (in person) per Organization will be allowed. However, there is no limit on the number of participants attending the outreach online.

Online Participants: A Zoom link will be provided to the participants upon registration by sending an email to the email addresses at the bottom of this document.

Venue for the Event: The Park Hotel, New Delhi 15, Parliament Street, New Delhi 110 001.

7. For purposes of registration the correspondence should provide the name, country, address, contact details of the Consulting Firm and the Representative(s) attending the Outreach. It should be indicated in the E-mail to which Outreach Event/Session (Kathmandu, New Delhi) and modality (in person or Webinar) is the Consultant participating. Interested Consultants should submit the following information via E-mail to the email address below:







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- a. Name of Organization/Company
- b. Country
- c. Name(s) of Representative to attend the Outreach.
- d. Contact details (email, phone number) of Representative(s) to attend the Outreach.
- e. List of Outreach Event(s) requesting to attend (List all that apply)
 - i. 01 August 2023, Kathmandu.
 - ii. 08 August 2023, New Delhi.

Requests for registration shall be sent to the address below:

Millennium Challenge Account Nepal Attention: Luis Villalta Procurement Agent Manager Email: <u>MCANepalPA@DT-Global.com</u> Cc to: <u>Binita.Poudel@dt-global.com</u> <u>Ram.Regmi@dt-global.com</u>