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SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)

Country	Nepal
Project Name	Electricity Transmission
Procurement Title	Procurement of Consulting Services for “Embedded (Resident) Advisors for Electricity Regulatory Commission (ERC) under the Electricity Transmission Project (Power Sector Technical Assistance Activity) in Nepal”
Procurement Ref. Number	MCA-N/ETP/QCBS/008
Type of Procurement	Consulting Services
Employer	Millennium Challenge Account Nepal
Publication Date	22 September 2023
Submission Deadline	23 November 2023

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, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract to be awarded for **“Consulting Services for Embedded (Resident) Advisors for Electricity Regulatory Commission (ERC) under the Electricity Transmission Project (Power Sector Technical Assistance Activity) in Nepal”**.

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 eligible *consultants* that can provide full time long-term Embedded Advisors for the Electricity Regulatory Commission (ERC) who can perform a diverse set of activities to establish a sound regulatory framework, working in partnership with direct-hire staff at ERC. This assignment would include a base period of

two (2) years and an additional maximum two (2) years optional period based on performance under a contract option. The Embedded Regulatory Advisors at ERC will be core pieces of the Compact’s support for an independent regulatory framework in Nepal’s power sector. The Advisors will provide essential support to the ERC by performing priority regulatory tasks, helping to establish core regulatory documents and processes, and capacity building of the ERC’s Commissioners and staff.

The 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 Proposal (RFP) documents may be obtained by interested eligible consultants upon the submission of a written application at the following email address MCANepalPA@dt-global.com with a copy to procurement@mcanp.org.

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 23 November 2023**. Only electronic bidding 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 online meeting using the link address below <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEtdOuqrDIsE9C9Q12dSx12ys6XpK3Ku9zu> on **15:30 hours (local time of Nepal (GMT+5:45) on 23 November 2023**.

Contact Information:

The file request link referred to above is:	The file request link (Dropbox link) for submission of Application is as follows: https://www.dropbox.com/request/DXtd8T5OMoHEuUM2epvm
The address referred to above is:	Millennium Challenge Account Nepal 2nd & 3rd Floor, East Wing, Lal Durbar Convention Centre, Yak & Yeti Complex, Durbar Marg, Kathmandu, Nepal.
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