



## MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT NEPAL (MCA-NEPAL)

### OUTREACH UPCOMING PROCUREMENTS for ELECTRICITY TRANSMISSION PROJECT

#### MCA-Nepal Partnership Program (MPP)

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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 130 kilometers of the strategic road network. The program would include the procurement of contractors and consultants for the 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. The MCA Partnership Program (MPP) is a key component of the ETP and serves as a sub-activity aimed at sharing benefits. Its primary role is to complement the project by establishing and fortifying relationships with communities within the areas affected by the ETP, spanning across 30 municipalities. This program is designed to foster trust and help alleviate the risk of project delays and is targeted at the broader communities in the ETP-affected wards. MCA-Nepal has established an MCA Partnership Program (MPP) Framework, which includes three main thematic areas for consideration:
  - i. **Thematic area 1: Electricity distribution system augmentation and extension**
    - This thematic area focuses on increasing electricity access and enhancing the electricity distribution system's reliability to maximize electricity benefits. It comprises four sub-activities which are – i) extension of the grid; ii) replacement of poles; iii) replacement of transformers; and iv) replacement of conductors and their accessories.



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- ii. **Thematic area 2: Off-grid/grid solutions for Water Supply Schemes**– This thematic area provides off-grid/grid for lift water supply schemes solutions to those communities in the ETP-affected areas where there is a scarcity of water and are prioritized by the wards.
  - iii. **Thematic area 3: Capacity building for enhanced electricity use:** This thematic area has two sub-activities designed with an aim to build or enhance the capacity of institutions and individuals focusing further on two key actions: i) supporting and preparing Municipal Energy Plans (MEP) in the municipalities affected by the ETP; and ii) developing capacities for productive use of electricity (PUE) within the wards affected by the ETP.
4. MCA-Nepal, which oversees and manages the projects funded by the Compact, intends to organize an Outreach Event in Kathmandu, Nepal, with Contractors and Consulting Firms Representatives to provide relevant information on the upcoming Procurements for the MPP and share available updated procurement information, as applicable.
  5. **Outreach in Kathmandu, Nepal:** This event is conducted to reach out to (i) Contractors and Consulting Firms 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; and (ii) in person for Consulting Firms located in Kathmandu/Nepal, as follows:

**Date: 13 October 2023**

**9:30 AM – 3:30 PM (GMT +5:45)**

**In-Person Participants:** Shall register by sending an email to the email addresses in point 6 below, not later than **10 October 2023, close of Business Kathmandu time.** **Please take note that due to space availability only a maximum of three participants (in person) per Organization will be allowed. However, there is no limit on the number of participants attending the outreach via 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 Royal Singhi, Lal Durbar, Kamaladi, Kathmandu, Nepal

6. For purposes of registration the correspondence should provide the name, country, address, and contact details of the Contractor/Consulting Firm and the Representative(s) attending the Outreach. It should be indicated in the E-mail the attendance modality (in person or Webinar) is the Consultant/Contractor participating. Interested Contractors/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.

Requests for registration shall be sent to the address below:

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