

**NATIONAL SCHEDULED CASTES FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION, MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT, GOI,**

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR ENGAGING A PART-TIME
CONSULTANT FIRM FOR PROVIDING SOCIAL STOCK EXCHANGE (SSE)
RELATED SERVICES**

1. Introduction

National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC), a Public Sector Enterprise of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India, invites Limited Expression of Interest (EOI) from qualified and experienced consultants/consulting firms for providing advisory and implementation support services to NSFDC, currently registered as Non Profit Organisation for fund raising at National Stock Exchange, for the development, implementation, and operationalization of the Social Stock Exchange (SSE) processes.

The objective is to support NSFDC in accessing capital by leveraging the SSE platform as mandated by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).

2. Background

The Social Stock Exchange is an initiative introduced in India to facilitate fundraising for not-for-profit and for-profit social enterprises with a demonstrable social intent. The SSE aims to bring transparency, accountability, and standardization in the social sector ecosystem by enabling social enterprises to raise funds through instruments such as zero-coupon-zero-principal bonds, mutual funds, or equity, while ensuring rigorous impact measurement and compliance frameworks.

3. Scope of Work

The selected consultant/consulting firm will be expected to:

- Provide strategic advisory on the design and implementation of the SSE framework in alignment with SEBI guidelines and relevant regulations for fund raising.
- Assist in preparing operational manuals, standard operating procedures (SOPs), and compliance templates.
- Develop a capacity-building and awareness strategy for key stakeholders (social enterprises, investors, intermediaries).
- Provide technical support in evaluating and on boarding social enterprises.
- Support in establishing monitoring, evaluation, and impact assessment mechanisms.
- Assist with regulatory filings, reporting frameworks, and data systems.
- Facilitate stakeholder consultations and knowledge dissemination.

4. Eligibility Criteria

Interested consultants/firms must meet the following criteria:

- Minimum 03 years of experience in Social Stock Exchange fund raising, capital markets, social impact consulting, regulatory advisory.

- Demonstrated experience in working with government/regulatory bodies or multilateral organizations in the social/financial sector.
- Experience in Environmental, Social and Governance, impact investing, or development finance will be an added advantage.
- Proven track record of handling similar assignments, preferably in India.

5. Submission Requirements

Interested parties are requested to submit their EOI, which should include the following:

- A cover letter expressing interest.
- Profile of the firm/individual, including relevant experience and qualifications.
- Details of similar assignments undertaken in the past.
- Brief technical note outlining the understanding of the assignment and approach.
- CVs of key personnel proposed for the assignment.
- Copy of applicable registration certificate and PAN/GST (if applicable).
- Declaration of non-blacklisting from any government or regulatory body.

6. Consultation Fees

The selected consultant/consulting firm will be remunerated based on a mutually agreed fee structure. Interested applicants are required to submit a **Financial Proposal** along with the EOI response in a **separate sealed envelope**. The financial proposal should include:

- **Detailed consultation fee** structure, indicating:
 - Professional fee (daily/hourly/monthly rate or lump sum)
 - Estimated number of person-days per year
 - Any applicable taxes (GST, etc.)
- **Breakdown of fees by activity/milestone**, aligned with the Scope of Work.
- **Total cost to the client**, clearly mentioning all assumptions and exclusions.

7. Submission Details

All EOIs must be submitted in hard copy to:

Name of the Contact Person : Sh. Ratikanta Jena
Designation : General Manager
Name of Organization : NSFDC
Email Address : nsfdccsr@gmail.com
Postal Address : NSFDC, 14th Floor, SCOPE Minar, Laxmi Nagar, Delhi - 110092
Phone Number : 011-22042780

Deadline for submission: The EOI will be furnished in sealed envelope latest by 13.06.2025

8. Disclaimer

This EOI is not a Request for Proposal (RFP). NSFDC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs without assigning any reason and to cancel the process at any stage.
