

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Name of Project: U.P. Core Road Network Development Project.

Loan No. :- 8940-IN

Assignment Title: Hiring services of Accounting Firm to assist UPPWD in carrying out financial management (FM) functions of the project.

1. The GoUP through GoI has applied for financing from the World Bank for UP Core Road Network development Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
2. PWD intends to hire services of accounting firm (CA or ICWA firm) to provide support to PIU in carrying out finance and accounting functions. The firm shall work in close association with officials of PWD Head office and field offices (Divisions/Circles) of GoUP.
3. Refer <http://uppwd.gov.in/pages/en-topmenusecond/-e-a-projects/world-bank-projects> and NIC e-procurement website <http://etender.up.nic.in> for REOI and draft Terms of Reference for information purposes. The short listing of firms shall be based on following criteria:

Eligibility Criteria:

- (i) Accounting firm is Independent (no conflict of interest) of PWD (Attach self-declaration certificate).
- (ii) The firm should not have been Debarred/Blacklisted by any state government. (Attach self-declaration certificate).
- (iii) No disciplinary orders have been issued by ICAI (CA and CMA Institute) against Firm and its Members. (Attach self-declaration certificate).

Evaluation Criteria (Total 100 Marks):

- (i) Accounting firm should have at least three Partners **(20 marks)**.
 - (ii) Accounting firm has experience staff which is relevant to the assignment **(25 marks)**.
 - (iii) Average Turnover of the Accounting firm for the last three financial years is not less than Rs. 50 lacs from audit assignments **(20 marks)**.
 - (iv) Accounting firm has experience of completing at least 3 similar assignments related to accounting in last 5 years **(25 marks)**.
 - (v) Accounting firm is based at Lucknow or outside firms having branch offices in Lucknow **(10 marks)**.
4. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers January 2011] ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment. There should not be Conflict among consulting assignments as per paragraph 1.9 of Consultant Guidelines. Consultant shall be selected in accordance with Consultant Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office Hours i.e. **10:00 to 17:00 Hours** from 24th July, 2019 to 13th August, 2019.

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Expressions of interest must be submitted online on e-procurement website <http://etender.up.nic.in> between 24th July, 2019 10:30 Hours to 24th Aug, 2019 15:00 Hours and same shall be opened online on 24th Aug, 2019 at 16:00 Hours.

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