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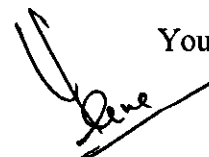
**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES- FIRMS SELECTION)**

Subject: Consultancy Services to conduct Audit of Annual Accounts of Kerala Rural Water Supply and Sanitation for the financial year 2020-21

1. The Kerala Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Agency (KRWSA), - a society registered under the Travancore Cochin Literary Scientific and Charitable Societies Registration Act 1955, which is coming under the administrative control of the Water Resources Department Government of Kerala . KRWSA is an independent and autonomous incorporated body mainly to manage the implementation of Rural Water Supply and Environmental Sanitation projects including the World Bank assisted Jalanidhi- Projects.
2. KRWSA desires to appoint an independent firm of Chartered Accountants duly licensed to practice in India as External Auditors to conduct the audit of the Annual Accounts for the years 2020-21 as per the **Terms of Reference** attached.
3. The **Annual Audit Report** on the Project Financial Statements (PFS)/Annual Accounts will be in the form recommended by the Standards on Auditing of the ICAI, including a primary opinion on whether the PFS show a true and fair view.
4. The Kerala Rural Water Supply & Sanitation Agency (KRWSA) now invites eligible CA Firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services. The shortlisting criteria is:
 - a) The firms should be one of the auditing firms/companies in the list as empaneled by the C&AG of Government of India.
5. **Submission of Proposals:** The financial proposals shall be submitted along with the profile /required qualification and experience of the firm to perform the services. Documentary evidence, as the firm is in the empaneled list of C&AG, is compulsorily to be incorporated along with the proposal.
6. The proposal shall be placed inside of a sealed envelope clearly marked “Consultancy Services to conduct Audit of Annual Accounts of Kerala Rural Water Supply and Sanitation for the financial year 2020-21” along with the name and address of the Consultant .

7. The proposals will be received in the office of the Executive Director, KRWSA, P.T.C Towers, S.S Kovil Road, Thampanoor, Thiruvananthapuram 695 001 up to **17.00 hours on 13.08.2021.**
8. **Deciding Award of Contract**-Quality and competence of the consulting service shall be considered as the paramount requirement...
9. The financial proposals of the eligible firms will only be considered and the least financial offer would be selected for appointment as Consultant for carrying out the audit.
10. The Firms are requested to hold your proposal valid for 90 days from the date of submission during which period you will maintain without change, the personnel proposed for the assignment and your proposed price. The KRWSA will make its best efforts to finalize the agreement within this period.
12. Please note that the cost of preparing a proposal and of negotiating a contract including visits to [KRWSA], if any, and is not reimbursable as a direct cost of the assignment.
13. Assuming that the contract can be satisfactorily concluded in August 2021; you will be expected to take-up/commence with the assignment in September 2021.
14. The Consultant has an obligation to disclose to the Client any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts its capacity to serve the best interest of its Client. Failure to disclose such situations may lead to the disqualification of the Consultant or the termination of its Contract and/or sanctions. A firm that has been engaged by the Client to provide goods, works, or non-consulting services for a project, or any of its Affiliates, shall be disqualified from providing consulting services resulting from or directly related to those goods, works, or non-consulting services. Conversely, a firm hired to provide consulting services for the preparation or implementation of a project, or any of its Affiliates, shall be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or works or non-consulting services resulting from or directly related to the consulting services for such preparation or implementation. A Consultant (including its Experts and Sub-consultants) or any of its Affiliates shall not be hired for any assignment that, by its nature, may be in conflict with another assignment of the Consultant for the same or for another Client.
15. Please note that the remuneration which you receive from this contract will be subject to the normal tax liability in India. Kindly contact the concerned tax authorities for further information in this regard, if required.

Yours faithfully,



**Director (Fin & Admin) i/c
For EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**