

Kingdom of Cambodia
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Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF)
Cambodia Agricultural Sector Diversification Project (CASDP)
IDA Credit No.6366-KH

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

**National Consultant to Support Technical Working Group on Agriculture and Water (TWG A&W)
Secretariat (MAFF-CS-2-R)**

1. The CASDP is a project to support the implementation of the Royal Government of Cambodia's to enhance market opportunities through an inclusive, beneficiary-led, market-driven approach leading to enhanced competitiveness and increased capacity to manage climate risks and to be implemented over 6 years. The Project Development Objectives are to facilitate the development of diversified agriculture value chains in selected geographical areas in Cambodia and to provide immediate and effective response in case of an eligible crisis or emergency. The Project has five components, including (a) Enabling Agriculture Diversification; (b) Supporting Public Infrastructure; (c) Improving Agriculture Information Systems and Quality Control Management; (d) Project Management, Coordination, and Monitoring and Evaluation; and (e) Contingent Emergency Response. The main beneficiaries of the project are: (i) farmers in selected project regions, both rural and peri-urban; (ii) agribusinesses (entrepreneurs and workers) participating in identified value chain development; (iii) general population in rural project areas; and (iv) project implementing agencies (IAs) at national and sub-national level. The project will operate within the targeted 12 provinces, plus in Phnom Penh, including Kampong Chhnang Battambang, Siem Reap, Preah Vihear, Stung Treng, Ratanakiri, Monduliri, Kratie, Tboung Khmum, Kampong Cham, Kandal, Kampong Speu. The provinces have been chosen for their suitable agroecological conditions for high-value products, with Phnom Penh as the location of many potentially participating Small and Medium Agribusinesses (SMAs).
2. The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) is leading the overall project management and coordination as Executing Agency (EA) and will include Ministry of Rural Development (MRD) and Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology (MoWRAM) as Implementing Agencies (IAs) for the related public infrastructure support. The Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF) will oversee the financial services support. Support will be provided for the establishment of a Project Coordination Office (PCO), chairs by CASDP's Project Director, and consists of MAFF, MRD, MoWRAM and MEF core team and management team, and the Secretariat of the Technical Working Group on Agriculture and Water (TWG A&W).
3. The **National Consultant to Support Technical Working Group on Agriculture and Water (TWG A&W) Secretariat** will assist the TWG A&W Secretariat in planning and implementing the overall coordination and collaboration through the TWG A&W mechanism under the overall supervision of co-chairs in cooperation with the Co-lead DP facilitators, and direct supervision of the Director of Planning and Statistics, Head of the TWG Secretariat. It is expected to facilitate donor (and NGO) support and mobilize (additional) TA as necessary by the MAFF (teams) and other IAs. The project would fund the necessary additional technical and managerial staff/consultants to ensure that the TWG A&W Secretariat can perform its additional role effectively and efficiently.
4. The interested consultant will be evaluated based on the qualification and relevant experience in regard to the minimum criteria listed below:
 - a) At least a Master's degree on agriculture development, economics, or equivalent relevant with assignment or related fields;
 - b) Minimum 7 years' experience in working with technical working group or similar institution, especially on agriculture and water strategy and policies, and agricultural projects/programmes
 - c) Significant experience working with Government and development partners
 - d) Pro-active and well-organised
 - e) Highly competent computer skills (Word, Excel, Power Point...)

- f) Experience as project/ aid coordinator in development cooperation (desirable)
 - g) Proficiency in writing and speaking both in Khmer and English.
5. The individual consultants will be based in Phnom Penh at CASDP office located at the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries compound.
 6. The selection process will be carried out in accordance with provisions set forth in the Government Procurement Manual for Externally Financed Projects/Programs in Cambodia and Approved Selection Method for Individual Consultants-Section VII. "Approved Selection Methods: Consulting Services of the World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, dated July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018".
 7. Interested candidates are requested to obtain detailed terms of reference (TOR) from **casdp.maff.gov.kh** and send your expression of interest (EOI) by submitting the updated curriculum vitae and cover letter with at least three referees by email and attention to: **Mr. Srey Sophoan**, (MAFF) Email: sophoan.srey@gmail.com and Copy to: chetrass@gmail.com, sophoeun_nop@yahoo.com.
 8. Expression of Interest must be submitted no later than **23rd February 2024 before 5:00pm (Local Time)**. Only Shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interview.

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Sincerely yours,

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