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Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Cambodia Agricultural Sector Diversification Project IDA Credit No. 6366 KH REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS/NGOs SELECTION)

Assignment Title: Consulting Firm for Feasibility Study to Develop an Agricultural

Information System (AIS)

Reference No.: (MAFF-Con-14)-COS

The Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Cambodia Agricultural Sector Diversification Project implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) as the Executive Agency (EA), the Ministry of Rural Development (MRD), the Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology (MoWARM), the Ministry of Economy and Finance (MEF) as Implementing Agencies (IAs), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include: to provide recommendations for the design and implementation of an Agricultural Information System, covering both the hardware and software requirements that address the needs of all central and provincial entities of MAFF. The objectives of the Agricultural Information System are twofold-(i) it serves as the integrated (one-stop-shop) information management system for all data related to agriculture sector across MAFF, and (ii) it serves the needs of both public sector for policymaking purposes and private sector for assessing market information (such as prices, quantities, and critical actors along the various value chains). The study should therefore assess needs for upgrade/enhancement of content and modalities of implementation of existing systems and/or establishment of new ones, following consultations with clusters of stakeholders from public and private sectors (for example, for market price information for private actors such as ACs and SMAs, what should be the frequency of information dissemination, most relevant information to disseminate, from which markets, etc.). The Period of contract is 6 moths. The Consulting Firm is expected to carry out consultation work with key management stakeholders of MAFF on site in Cambodia.

The detail Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: <a href="https://casdp.maff.gov.kh">https://casdp.maff.gov.kh</a> .

The CASDP-MAFF now invites eligible consulting services (Firms/NGOs) "The Consultant" to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experiences, suitable capacity and availability of key permanent professional staff to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Extensive and demonstrated professional experience of at least five years in systems analysis, design, and implementation of AIS, AMIS, or AKIS technologies supporting Ministries of Agricultural world-wide especially in developing and transition countries, as well as East Asia;
- Demonstrated experience in implementing at least 2 similar assignments
- Demonstrated experience managing complex programs and technical staff



Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultants' Qualifications Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 8:00am to 12:00pm and 2:00pm to 5:30pm, Monday to Friday except Public Holidays.

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