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SINDH SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT
ENERGY DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF SINDH

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**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM
SELECTION**

PAKISTAN SINDH SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT (SSEP)
Assignment Title: Internal Audit Firm (Component 4)
World Bank Project ID: P159712
Reference No.: PK-SED-252121-CS-LCS

Loan Credit No.: 62580-PK

The Sindh Energy Department has obtained financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Sindh Solar Energy Project (SSEP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for procurement of consulting services to hire an Internal Audit Firm.

The Sindh Solar Energy Project aims to support the deployment of solar power in Sindh Province through development of utility-scale solar power at highly competitive prices within identified solar parks, installation of distributed solar power systems on and around public buildings, and provision of SHS for households with no or low access to electricity.¹ This Request for Expressions of Interest refers to the procurement for an Internal Audit Firm, shall be the focal point for all legal documents, Project Financial Management Manual, Procurement Manual, procurement check list and any other unclassified information with the Project and deemed necessary by the internal audit firm,

To support the implementation of this initiative, SED will select a consulting firm. The objective of this assignment is to audit the overall management of the project's implementation, monitoring and supervision. The audit work should include the review of work plans, progress reports, project resources, project budgets, project expenditure, project delivery, recruitment, operational and financial closing of projects (if applicable) and disposal or transfer of assets.

The Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be download from www.ssep.gos.pk.

Sindh Energy Department under "Sindh Solar Energy Project" now invites State Bank of Pakistan's Panel of Auditors and satisfactory QCR rated firms and should have at least ten (10) years of relevant professional experience in undertaking assignments of similar nature, i.e. Supplementing / Co-sourcing of Internal Audit for listed corporations or multinational or public sector or Section 42 companies in Pakistan or abroad with dedicated resources / functions. (ii) Ideally firm should have atleast two similar assignment of comparable scale and complexity.

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 2017 and August 2018), setting forth

¹ Further details available here: <https://projects.worldbank.org/P159712?lang=en>

the World Bank's policy on conflict of Interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment.

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 with other firms(s). In case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

Qualified consulting firms shall be selected in accordance with the Least Cost Based Selection (LCS) method set out in the paragraph 7.11 of World Bank Procurement Regulations (July 2016) Revised November 2017 & August 2018.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, as follows: 0900-1700 hours PST.

Expressions of Interest must be delivered as an electronic PDF file to the below mentioned address by 04 October 2021, 5:00 PM office time.



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