



OFFICE OF THE PROJECT DIRECTOR
SINDH SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT
ENERGY DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF SINDH

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REQUEST FOR BIDS NON-CONSULTING SERVICES

SINDH SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT (SSEP)

Assignment Title: Independent Verification Agent (Component 3)

World Bank Project ID: P159712

Reference No.: PK-SED-23869-NC-RFQ-2

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 hire an Independent Verification Agent (Non-Profit Organization).

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 Bids refers to the procurement for an Independent Verification Agent (Non-Profit Organization) act as the "independent verification agent" on behalf of SSEP for disbursement of the partial grant payments made to qualified SHS suppliers,

To support the implementation of this initiative, SSEP will select an Independent Verification Agent. The objective of this assignment is to carry out up to 100% verification on installed SHS to support the two-part payment of grants to SHS suppliers utilizing an appropriate field-based electronic survey tool (see below). The first verification will be physical which is required to confirm installed SHS and household/consumer information within 03 days after receiving request from the SHS suppliers, and the second verification will be 20% through physical visits and rest of 80% through phone call or any other source after 3 months is required to ensure that the product is still functioning and in the possession of the registered household/user within 03 days after receiving request from the SHS suppliers..

The Request for Bid Document (RFB) for the assignment can be download from www.ssep.gos.pk.

Sindh Energy Department under "Sindh Solar Energy Project" now invites non-profit organization and should have at least ten (10) years of relevant professional experience including with verification and monitoring tools and remote data collection and should have physical existence in any three district of any Lot.

The attention of interested firms 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 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.

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



Karachi dated: 5th November, 2021

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To,

The Director (Advertisement),
Information Department,
Government of Sindh

Subject: **REQUEST FOR BIDS (RFB) NON-CONSULTING SERVICES**

I am directed to refer to the subject noted above and to enclose herewith six (6) copies of advertisement of (RFB) under "Sindh Solar Energy Project (SSEP)" with a request that the said advertisement may please be published in three leading national daily newspapers i.e. The Daily Dawn, Daily Jung and Daily Kawish as per policy of Government of Sindh.

Encl: As above

Admin Officer
For Project Director
Sindh Solar Energy Project (SSEP)

Copy to:

1. PS to Secretary, Energy Department, Govt. of Sindh, Karachi
2. DS(staff)/PS to Minister for Energy, Government of Sindh
3. PS to Project Director, SSEP, Government of Sindh Karachi
4. Manager IT, w.r.t. Hoisting on SSEP websites
5. Office file

Firm 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 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.

RFB Document dully filled must be delivered to the below mentioned address by **25 November 2021, 5:00 PM office time.**



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