Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI)
(Re-advertisement)
Consulting Services – Selection of Firms

Country: Bangladesh

Project: Construction of New Dual Gauge Railway Line from Bogura to Sirajganj

Project No.: S000713

Contract/Assignment Title: Package SD4-Consultancy service for Updating Environment, Social, Gender study performing climate Study of the Project.

REOI Reference No: SD-4/54.0000.000.710.34.0041.26-1565; Date 12/11/2026.

Client: Bangladesh Railway

1. The Government of Bangladesh has applied for financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) toward the cost of the Construction of New Dual Gauge Railway Line from Bogura to Sirajganj Project. The project intends to develop approximately 85.67 km Mainline and 33.25 km of new dual gauge railway line between Bogura and Sirajganj, together with 11 stations, associated structures, bridges/culverts and modern signaling and telecommunications systems. The portion of the proceeds of the financing is intended to be used as payments under the contract for the Consultancy Service for updating environment, social, gender study performing climate study of the project for which the EOI is issued.

2. The consulting services ("Services") include support for project preparation by reviewing and updating the environmental and social (E&S) safeguards, climate study, engineering design, bid documents, and economic analysis to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Government of Bangladesh and AIIB policies, and to strengthen the project's technical, economic, and E&S readiness for implementation.

3. It is expected that the Consultancy Assignment will be for a period of Six (06) months. The consultancy service is scheduled to start in Q4 2026, and it will be a lump-sum contract with an estimated time input of 50 person-months.

4. The Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Bangladesh Railway now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested eligible Consulting firms should provide information including a brochure (company profile including payroll staffs, project information, contract duration, amount, total project cost, percentage of participation, start and end dates) reflecting their qualifications demonstrating that they have the required minimum qualification and relevant experience to perform the Services.

5. The Consultant shall submit the declaration of debarment and conflict of interest referred in AIIB Directive on Procurement Instructions to recipients: https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/_download/operational-directive/AIIB-Directive-on-Procurement-Instructions-for-Recipients-July-26-2024.pdf and Debarment List : (https://www.aiib.org/en/about-aiib/who-we-are/debarment-list/index.html).

6. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found on the website of Bangladesh Railway (https://www.railway.gov.bd/Notices) or can be obtained from the address below.

Address: Room No-508, Rail Bhaban, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh

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The shortlisting criteria are:

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<tr><td>1. Eligibility</td><td>1) Sector Experience: The firm, or the lead firm of a Joint Venture, shall have a proven record of successfully completing or being substantially engaged in relevant assignments in the transport infrastructure sector within the past ten years (2016-2026). The firm or Joint Venture shall demonstrate experience covering the following areas:
(i) Preparation, review or updating of feasibility studies, detailed engineering design, or technical studies for transport infrastructure projects;
(ii) Preparation, review, updating or due diligence of environmental and social safeguard documents of infrastructure projects;</td><td>▪ Pass/Fail</td></tr>
<tr><td>2. Age of Consulting Firm Maximum 20 Points</td><td>The time span of experience as a consulting firm from the date of registration.</td><td><table><tr><th>Age of Firm</th><th>Points</th></tr><tr><td>>15 years</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>>10 years and ≤15 years</td><td>16</td></tr><tr><td>>5 years and ≤10 years</td><td>12</td></tr><tr><td>>0 years and ≤5 years</td><td>8</td></tr><tr><td>0 years</td><td>0</td></tr></table></td></tr>
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<tr><td>4. Firm's Capacity- Maximum 30 Points</td><td>a). Be a firm, or a JV, with sound technical, managerial, quality assurance, coordination, and reporting arrangements to deliver the Projects in Last 10years .</td><td><table><tr><th>Contracts delivered in Last 10 Years</th><th>Points</th></tr><tr><td>≥5 Nos.</td><td>30</td></tr><tr><td>>3 Nos. and ≤5 Nos.</td><td>27</td></tr><tr><td>>1 No. and ≤5 Nos.</td><td>22</td></tr><tr><td>1 No.</td><td>18</td></tr><tr><td>0 No.</td><td>0</td></tr></table></td></tr>
<tr><td>5. Specific Experience- Maximum 30 Points</td><td>The firm, or the lead firm of a JV, should have completed at least ONE MDB financed contract of similar nature and value in the past ten years (2016-2026).</td><td><table><tr><th>Contracts delivered with MDB Experience</th><th>Points</th></tr><tr><td>≥4 Nos.</td><td>30</td></tr><tr><td>3 Nos</td><td>27</td></tr><tr><td>2 Nos.</td><td>24</td></tr><tr><td>1 No.</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>0 No.</td><td>0</td></tr></table></td></tr>
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7. Key Experts will not be evaluated at the EOI stage.

8. The selection is conducted in accordance with AIIB's Directive on Procurement Instructions for Recipients (July 26, 2024) ("PIR", which can be accessed at https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/_download/operational-directive/AIIB-Directive-on-Procurement-Instructions-for-Recipients-July-26-2024.pdf ")

9. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should clearly indicate who is the leading partner of the Joint Venture (JV) and who is/are junior partners of the JV (in case of JV), who is the main consultant and who is/are the sub-consultant (s) in case of main/subconsultants, as well as their nationality (the country of their incorporation). 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.

10. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section 2.3.5 and 2.4 of the PIR, setting forth the AIIB's policy on conflict of interest and eligibility. The consultant will be selected in accordance with the AIIB Procurement Policy and its associated PIR.

11. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant's Qualification Based Selection (CQS) method set out in the PIR.

12. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours.

13. With all supporting documents, the EOI must be submitted either by email (address specified below) or in hard copy in a sealed envelope no later than 12:30 PM (Bangladesh Standard Time) on November 30, 2026, marked with "Consultancy service for Updating Environment, Social, Gender study and performing climate Study of the Project". Hardcopy will be submitted in the following address to the following address:

Room No-508, Rail Bahaban, Bangladesh Railway, 4/3 Abdul Goni Road, Dhaka.

12.11.26

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