

No.: HQ/EL/PPF/2

Request for Expression of Interest

INDIA

Dedicated Freight Corridor Project

Design Review Consultancy Services

Loan No. - Yet to be allocated

- 1. This Request for Expressions of Interest follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in *Development Business* issue of 13 February, 2009.
- 2. Government of India has applied for a loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the contract for Engagement of Design Review Consultant for Double Line Electrified Railway Track complete with Signaling & Telecommunication system and related infrastructure for Khurja to Bhaupur (Approx 350 Route Kms) of Eastern Dedicated Freight Corridor.
- 3 Ministry of Railways, Government of India plans to construct the Dedicated Freight Corridors (DFC) covering about 2800 route kms on two corridors, Eastern Corridor from Ludhiana to Sone Nagar/Dankuni and Western Corridor from Jawahar Lal Nehru Port, Mumbai to Tughlakabad/Dadri along with the interlinking of the two corridors at Khurja. The project entails construction of mostly double-line railway tracks capable of eventually handling higher axle loads, longer trains and, in the case of the western corridor, also double-stack containers. Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited (DFCC) is a Government of India Enterprise set up for the implementation of the DFC Project.

The Bhaupur-Khurja section is proposed to be tendered on 'Design-Build' (Lump Sum) basis. DFCC has appointed a General Consultant to prepare the engineering concept design, performance specifications, and bid documents for design and build lump sum tenders, assist in bid process management and to eventually provide project management services during execution. It is now proposed to hire consultancy services for peer review and design review of the item of work of General Consultant as enumerated herein under.

Brief Description of services to be performed by the consultant:

- Review the proposed engineering concept for the first Design Build contract for DFC East.
- Review the performance specifications (PS) for the first Design Build contract for DFC East

Consultant's Organization and Experience:

The consultant is expected to have requisite expertise and experience in providing Consultancy Services in connection with planning, design and execution of EPC/Design Build Contract for Railway line construction including individual experts with requisite knowledge in the above fields. Experts with international experience of similar projects will be preferred.

Duration of Consultancy Services: The consultancy is expected to have duration of 3 months.

- 4. The Dedicated Freight Corridor Corporation of India Limited now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the Services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications. [The "Association" may take the form of a joint venture (with joint and several liability) or of a sub-consultancy]. The consultants shall indicate the details and nature of association in the EOI.
- 5. Consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers May 2004 [Revised October 2006].

Interested firms are informed that all documents, including the Request for Proposals, the Proposal and consultant's contract for the proposed assignment will be issued in English, and contract price and corresponding payments will be in Indian Rupees.

- 6. Interested Consultants may obtain further information at the address given below from 10.00 hrs. to 17.00 hrs on any working day from Monday to Friday.
- 7. Expression of interest must be delivered to the address below no later than 14th April 2009.

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