



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF SOMALIA

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI)

Country: Federal Government of Somalia (FGS)

Name of the Project: Somalia Food Systems Resilience Project (S-FSRP)

Assignment Title: National Procurement Specialist

Project ID: P177816

Deadline Date: 16th Sept 2023

Ref No. SO-MOAI-375949-CS-INDV

2. BACKGROUND

The Somalia Food Systems Resilience Program (FSRP) is part of a regional initiative by the World Bank to provide a comprehensive framework to intervene at both the national and regional levels. This Multiphase Programmatic Approach (MPA) aims to tackle the underlying structural challenges of food insecurity and reduce beneficiaries' vulnerability to unpredictable climate, crisis, and conflict events. It seeks to achieve this by rejuvenating Somalia's agri-livestock research institutions, seed systems, and extension services and developing community institutions that can anchor adaptation of climate-smart agri-livestock practices, strengthening the availability of water and improved rangelands management for resilient agriculture and livestock production; support animal health services, enhancing the integration of the production systems to domestic and regional markets, with appropriate investments in food safety and value addition, and establishing an enabling policy and institutional framework at a sub-national, national and regional level capable of supporting food systems resilience for Somalia.

The Project Development Objective (PDO) for Somalia Food Systems Resilience Program (FSRP) will be 'to increase preparedness against food insecurity and improve the resilience of food systems in targeted project areas of Somalia. Progress toward the PDO will be measured using five PDO indicators and intermediate indicators. All relevant indicators will be disaggregated by gender (men and women) and age (youth and adult). The five indicators are.

The Government of Somalia is establishing a core multi-sectoral National Project Coordination Unit (NPCU) supervised by the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation. The role of the NPCU is to support the management, coordination, implementation and monitoring, and evaluation of project activities. The NPCU will be staffed with the following positions: - National Project Coordinator, Finance Management Specialist, Procurement Specialist, Project Internal Auditor, Safeguards Specialists, M&E Specialist, and other technical Agricultural and Livestock specialists.

2. Scope of Work and Responsibilities

Reporting to the National Project Coordinator (NPC), the NPS will be a member of the NPCU responsible for overseeing the preparation and execution of the project procurement plans to support project operations effectively, ensuring strict adherence to World Bank and FGS procurement guidelines, Coordination of procurement of Project works, goods, and services at the national level and guidance to decentralized procurement at state, community, and partner institutions level as appropriate; and Guidance and capacity building of states, partner institutions, and communities on authorized procurement policies and procedures.

S/he will undertake all the other specific tasks detailed in the Terms of Reference (ToR) that can be found at the following <https://moa.gov.so> or can be provided upon submission of the application (in person or by email to the address below)

3. The proposed duration for the assignment is twelve (12) calendar months from the start date.

4. Selection Criteria

2 Qualifications and Experience

- Bachelor's degree in commerce, Economics, Supply Chain Management, Purchasing and Supplies Management, Public Administration, Engineering, Law, Accounting, or any other related field from a recognized university. A master's degree or professional qualification in Procurement/Supplies Management (final examination of the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply or equivalent) will be an added advantage.
- At least 8 years of directly relevant experience, including broad expertise in public or private sector procurement management.
- Minimum of 3 years' experience in implementing procurement actions according to international organizations' guidelines, such as the World Bank, African Development Bank, the United Nations, etc., for procurement of goods, works, and services.
- Demonstrated experience in preparing tender and contract documents for national and international competitive bidding will be an added advantage.
- Experience working in a similar environment to that of Somalia.

(6) Other Key Competencies and Requirements

- Ready for flexible working hours and extensive workload, as well as frequent domestic travel to support the SPCUs embedded in the State governments and
- Ability to work under pressure, meet crucial deadlines, and work with minimal supervision.
- High level of personal and professional integrity with strong analytical skills and ability to function well in a multicultural and interdisciplinary environment.
- Strong interpersonal skills with evidence of ability to productively interact with a wide range and levels of stakeholders (Government, private sector, NGOs, and community organizations);
- Proven track record of leadership and networking at a senior level
- Excellent knowledge of English fluency (spoken and written);

- Proficiency in written and spoken Somali is an added advantage.
- Excellent analytical and administrative skills

5. The Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation Federal of Somalia now invites eligible consulting (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the above-mentioned Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services and furnish the Curriculum Vitae (CV).

6. Attention of interested Consultants is drawn to section III, para 3.14,3.16 & 3.17 of the World Bank’s *Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers: Procurement in Investment Projects Financing Goods, Works, Non -Consulting and Consulting Services, July 2016, revised November 2017, August 2018, and November 2020* (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

7. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant method set out in the World Bank Procurement Regulations.

8. Interested Consultants may obtain further information (in person or by e-mail) at the address below during office hours from 8.00 a.m.– 4.00 p.m. Saturday to Thursday except for public holidays.

9. Deadline for submission: Expressions of interest should be delivered in a written to the address below (in person or by e-mail) marked with the subject title of the position by 16th Sept 2023.

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