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Advertisement for Engagement of Project Anchor for the Project: "Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Rejuvenation of River Brahmaputra through Forestry Interventions"

Applications are invited from academicians/ professionals/ practitioners/ Retd. Personnels for engagement as **Project Anchor** for the project titled '**Preparation of Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Rejuvenation River Brahmaputra through Forestry Interventions**' being implemented by Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat. The selected candidate will work with the Project Team to manage, analyze, compile and write different chapters with the collected data and relevant information related to the preparation of DPR.

Background of the project

Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat - a regional research institute of Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehradun under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India has been assigned to prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR) on Rejuvenation of river Brahmaputra through forestry interventions. The task requires preparing a scientific, consultative and holistic report involving concerned Departments/Agencies at State and National level those associated with planning, research, utilization, management, monitoring and conservation of the river ecosystem.

Specific objectives of the project are:

1. Review and assess the existing situation of river basin, past river management & implications and lessons learned,
2. Identify and involve stakeholders and build consensus for design and development of strategies and approaches,
3. Assess ongoing forestry activities of the states engaged in the river management programme(s),
4. Assess potential and possibilities for regeneration, improvement, and restoration of forest catchments,
5. Assess the conditions of riparian forests and potential of biological filters,

6. Examine the possibility of allied and other income generation activities,
7. Assess the potential of cultivation of medicinal plants and restoration of conservation areas and identify appropriate species and suitable sites,
8. Identify research and monitoring needs and develop a strategy for future research and monitoring, and
9. Formulate strategies, develop approaches, and plan activities for project implementation.

Scope of Work

The Project Anchor would be responsible for the following activities during the tenure of the assignment:

- Carry out a review of the existing information on the physical, biological and socio-economic sub-environments of the delineated riverscape in the context of each tributary besides develop an insight on the management practices of river resources and their implications.
- Anchor, coordinate and interact with internal or external Subject Matter Experts working/engaged for various chapters envisaged in the preparation of DPR so as to collage, synthesize and interpret much desired information.
- Prepare the envisaged DPR incorporating information emerging from the specially designed and developed database relying on the fields data inputs from the concerned State Forest Department(s), riverscape analysis and geo-modeling, and forestry intervention models along with cost norms, estimated budget outlay and schedule of activities.
- Writing/compiling of chapters for the DPR and State Specific Summaries falling in the purview of the riverscape.

Qualification

Following essential and desirable qualifications would be considered for judging the applicant's competence, suitability and selection of the Project Anchor:

(A) Essential:

- (i) Post graduate degree in any of the disciplines relevant to Forestry/ Ecology/ Environment sciences / Hydrology/ Agriculture Sciences/ Geography/ Geology.
- (ii) Professional experience of Minimum 20 years in Natural Resource Management/Forest Management/ Watershed Management/ Water Resources by way of working in the relevant Central/State Department(s)/ research or academic organizations of repute/ International Agencies.

(B) Desirable

- (i) Ph.D. in relevant subject.
- (ii) Experience in handling national and international Projects.

- (iii) Experience in similar consultancy or assignment relevant to planning and management of natural resources across large landscapes/ riverscapes/ seascapes involving forest lands, protected areas, agriculture lands, urban areas, industrial establishments and other areas of biodiversity importance.
- (iv) Publications: Preparation of scientific and technical reports/ DPRs/ Published research papers in peer reviewed journals of national and international repute.

Terms of Reference

1. The engagement shall be purely contractual and on time-bound basis, and co-terminus with the project.
2. The engagement does not confer any right/ claim whatsoever either explicitly or implicitly for any regular appointment in ICFRE or any of its institutes against any post or otherwise under any legal condition or precedent.
3. The engagement can be discontinued at any time, if the work or conduct is not found satisfactory or up to the mark by giving a fifteen day's notice.
4. Any information used or acquired in the DPR shall neither be made available to any other individual or organization nor be published in any form.
5. **Remuneration:** The applicant should quote the expected remuneration based on his/ her expertise and the workload, which would be negotiable.
6. The Project Anchor would be entitled to avail travelling, boarding and lodging charges as per his/her entitlement with the prior approval of Competent Authority of RFRI. If there would be any air travel then economy class fare shall be provided.
7. **Allowances:** Consultants shall not be entitled to any kind of allowance or accommodation facility e.g. Dearness Allowance. Transport Facility, Residential Accommodation. Personal Staff, CGHS and Medical Reimbursement etc. However, Conveyance allowance shall be paid at the rates mentioned in the table.
8. Upon selection, the candidate should join the institute within 7 days of receipt of the offer letter.

Important dates

Applicants are requested to send their Resume and Terms of References (through e-mail only) to Director, Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat Email ID: **dir_rfri@icfre.org** or **dhrubajoti.india@gmail.com** till 16.12.2019 (upto 05.00 PM).

Director
Rain Forest Research Institute, Jorhat