

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTANT SERVICES)
CONTRACT ID: EPSP/S/LCS-13**

NEPAL

NEPAL EMERGENCY PEACE SUPPORT PROJECT (EPSP)

PEACE AND RECONSTRUCTION

CONSULTING SERVICES

GRANT NUMBER H367-NP

PROJECT ID No. : PE-P110762

Expressions of interest

The Nepal Emergency Peace Support Project (EPSP) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the GRANT NUMBER H367-NP, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consultant services. The project is to “contribute to the peace process by providing interim cash transfers and services to eligible conflict affected groups and by increasing transparency and accountability in the delivery of these benefits”. The project wants to conduct “Social Audit in Ilam, Mahottari, Myagdi, Banke and Doti districts of cash support provided to the families of deceased persons and widows by EPSP”. Hence the services include the following:

- Verify how the component was implemented and the level of its compliance with the agreed guidelines and procedures.
- Promote transparency, social accountability and good governance of the EPSP.
- Help beneficiaries understand the scope of the program and their benefits, and get their feedback on how it was implemented.
- To enhance MOPR understanding of beneficiaries’ experience with the program to feed into any future planning and course of action.

The Nepal Emergency Peace Support Project (EPSP) 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 (description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).The association/consortium shall be in the form of joint venture (JV) or intended JV where all the JV members shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire assignment.

A consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank’s Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers , October 2011 adopting selection method of “Least-Cost Selection (LCS)”.

All Consulting firms must submit the

- A. Renewed firm, organization or company registration certificate
- B. Renewed business registration license
- C. Value added tax registration certificate

- D. Tax clearance certificate obtained from the Inland Revenue Department or documents showing submission of tax return for FY 067/68
- E. Declaration made in writing by the firm that it is not disqualified for taking part in the service proceeding, that it has no conflict of interest in the proposed services proceedings and that it has not been punished for an offence relating to the concerned profession.

Evaluation will be done on the basis of General experience (20%), Specific experience (30%), organizational setup of the firm (20%) and CV evaluation of team leader and Field supervisors (30%).

Interested Firm may obtain ToR for conducting social Audit at the address below during office hours or can download from office web site www.epsp.gov.np
Expressions of interest must be delivered in sealed envelope to Emergency peace support project, Singhadarabar, Kathmandu **on or before 12 Noon by 14th Jan. 2012.**

In case the last day of submission of the EOI falls on a public holiday, it shall then be submitted on the following working day within the same hour. The EOI will be opened in presence of the consulting firm or their representatives who choose to attend **at 14:00 hours** on the same day at the address given below.

EPSP reserves the right to decide whether a firm is to be short listed or not.

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