

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTANT SERVICES FROM NATIONAL NGOs)**

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1. The Government of Nepal has received the FCPF grant from the World Bank toward the cost of Nepal REDD Readiness Preparation Program and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the following consulting service.
2. The objectives of the proposed assignment are: To enhance awareness of REDD+ of the general public, to actively disseminate REDD information to community members (sensitization) through organized events and to develop local resource persons as future REDD trainers in their communities (TOT).
2. The REDD Forestry and Climate Change Cell now invites eligible National Non Governmental Organizations (NGOs) to indicate their interest in providing consulting services for the consultation, outreach and capacity building of relevant stakeholders on REDD+. Although consulting NGO/consortium may apply for more than one geographical region- the entire assignment is divided into three packages-Package A, Package B and Package C, an NGO/consortium will be tasked with not more than one geographical region (One Package only).
3. Interested consulting NGOs must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services [NGO profile, brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc. with supporting documents to substantiate the information provided in the EOI]. NGOs may associate to enhance their qualifications. The association/consortium shall be in the form of joint venture (JV) or intended JV or sub-contracting, where all the JV members shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire assignment.
4. A consulting NGO 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](#) , January 2011 (Consultant Guidelines) adopting selection method of "Quality- And Cost- Based Selection (QCBS)". The consulting NGO will be evaluated and short-listed based on the approved evaluation criteria that are broadly based on the following categories.
A. Eligibility Criteria
 - i) Valid registration certificate; ii) Tax clearance or renewal of tax certificate; iii) VAT/PAN registration certificate; iv) consulting NGO must be registered since last THREE years; v) legally binding joint venture agreement in case of applying in joint venture and vi) Fulfilment of the Bank's Conflict of Interest criteria.

B. Ranking Criteria for

Ranking criteria are broadly based on the following three categories.

- i) **General Experiences:** Number of Projects Completed Successfully
- ii) **Specific/Similar/Relevant Experiences** (each completed project not less than value of NPR 1,000,000 (One million): i) Number of completed projects related to capacity building and communication; ii) Number of completed projects related to extension, outreach, public awareness and training; iii) Number of completed projects related to TOT on forestry sector and iv) Number of completed projects related to extension, outreach, public awareness and training on REDD
- iii) **Organizational setup of the consulting NGO:** office, equipment, office organization and management and annual turnover taken for the best two years from last three years.

- 5 Expression of Interest must be clearly marked "Expression of Interest (EOI) for consulting services for **FCPF/REDD/S/QCBS-28:consultation, outreach and capacity building of relevant stakeholders on REDD+**.
- 6 The attention of interested NGOs is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Consultant Guidelines, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- 7 Interested NGOs may obtain further information and TORs at the address below during office hours from 10 AM to 5 PM; alternatively TORs can also be downloaded from REDD Cell website: www.mofsc-redd.gov.np
- 8 Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by September **7, 2014** before **5:00 PM**

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