Bangladesh Regional Connectivity Project 1:

National Single Window Implementation and Strengthening Customs Modernization National Board of Revenue (NBR)

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Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI) for Financial Management Specialist

(Contract Package No. NBR-SD4A)

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh has received an USD 150 million Credit from the International Development Association (IDA) - a member of the World Bank Group - for financing the cost of the Bangladesh Regional Connectivity Project 1(BRCP-1), being jointly implemented by the Bangladesh Land Port Authority (BLPA), National Board of Revenue (NBR) and Ministry of Commerce. Now the NBR intends to apply part of the IDA Credit for procuring the services of a Financial Management Specialist (FMS) for its Project Implementation Unit (PIU).

2. Scope of Services:

The Financial Management Specialist (FMS) will work as a full-time member of the PIU. He/she will be responsible to strengthen and performing the role of the Financial Management and Planning aspects of the project. The activities of the FMS will be guided by, and be in conformity with, the relevant guidelines of the World Bank's Financial Management System. The FMS will have a significant role in assuring the Accounting, Budgeting System, Financial Rules, Accounting Policies, Internal Audit, audit and Procedures in conformance with the requirements of the Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers; Procurement in IPF, Goods, Works, Non-Consulting Services, July 2016 and the procurement laws and Rules of Bangladesh. He/she should not have any conflict of interest while working and should keep all the project information confidential. Detailed scope of works (Terms of Services) and other information will be available upon request from the address provided below, either through email or in person. TOR is also available in National Board of Revenue's website (www.nbr.gov.bd).

3. General Qualification and Experience:

- Bachelor degree in Accounting/Finance/Commerce/Business Administration along with a professional accounting qualification such as CA/CMA/ACCA/CFA/CPA etc.
- Ten (10) years' experience in financial management position.
- Out of Ten (10) years' at least three (3) years in a management position in any government/ semi government/ multinational organizations/development partner funded development project.
- Actively involved and fully conversant with large contract payments, GOB budget and planning procedures, Development Project Proposals, rules and regulations of the Government for budgeting, fund release, accounting, financial reporting and auditing and authorization for use of donors' funds.

• Experience/ exposure on World Bank's fund operating conditions & reporting requirements would be an advantage.

4. Specific skills and Experience:

- a) Fully conversant and hands on experience in Computerized Accounting Systems with ability to assist in implementation and customization;
- b) Proven track record of ability to develop a Chart of Accounts with relevance to DPP, Disbursement Categories and Project Components.
- c) Self-guided, strong organizational and planning skills with the ability to work independently as a team player and under pressure.
- d) Strong interpersonal communicative skills and experience in team leadership and participatory management.
- **5.** Bangladesh Regional Connectivity Project 1(BRCP1), Component 3: Implementation of National Single Window (NSW) Project now invites eligible Applicants to indicate their interest in providing the services. The Applicants are requested to submit their: (a) CV (Curriculum Vitae), which will indicate that they are qualified to perform the assignment;(b) expected remuneration and (c) submission letter as per the prescribed format.
- **6.** The Financial Management Specialist (FMS) will be selected in accordance with the "World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (July 2016)". It is expected that the Financial Management Specialist's service will commence from the First week of January, 2023 at Dhaka. The duration of the consultancy services would be for 12 (Twelve) months, depending on the need of the client and the satisfactory performance of the consultant, the contract period may be extended through mutual agreement.
- 7. Expression of Interest (EOI) shall be submitted 02 (two) hard copies and electronic/soft copy (CD/DVD/e-mail) by 08 Of December 2022 up to 4:00 PM either in sealed envelope clearly marked "Expression of Interest (EOI) for Selection of Financial Management Specialist" in the email's subject line or on top of the envelope or through email sent to the following undersigned address.

The Project authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOI without assigning any reason, whatsoever.

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