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Bangladesh Regional Connectivity Project 1,
National Board of Revenue, Dhaka.

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Subject: Re- Tender of Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI) for an International Procurement Specialist (IPS) of Bangladesh Regional Connectivity Project 1(BRCP-1), Component 3: Implementation of National Single Window (NSW) and Customs Modernization plan.

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 an International Procurement Specialist (IPS) for its Project Implementation Unit (PIU).

2. Scope of Services:

The International Procurement Specialist (IPS) will provide expertise support and advice as an intermittent member of the procurement team in PIU and will be responsible for guiding and advising NSW Project so that the procurements are done as per the relevant procurement regulations. The IPS will have a significant role in assuring the integrity, fairness, and overall quality of procurement in conformance with the requirements of the regulations of the World Bank and the procurement laws of Bangladesh. He 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:

- International Consultant could be from any eligible country regardless of nationality including Bangladesh having required comprehensive global experience as detailed below.
- Post-graduate qualification (at least Bachelor degree in engineering or at least Master degree in procurement/ supply chain management/ commerce / finance/ business/ management/ law/ICT).
- At least 15 years of general experience out of which five (5) years of experience as International Procurement Specialist/Procurement Consultant or had responsibilities with a substantial content of his / her position in the procurement area (use of internationally accepted contract documents for IT contracts and services;
- About 5 years of relevant experience at international level on procurement of complex IT solution/system.

4. Specific skills and Experience:

- Having sound understanding of principles underlying good procurement practices and international agencies' procurement guidelines; understanding of Government's procurement Act/Rules; analytical capability in identifying and resolving procurement issues.
- Specialized knowledge of procurement of IT related goods; selection/ contracting of consultant services; preparation of bidding / contract documents for the international procurement of goods, services; public procurement policies; sustainable procurement; advanced contract management, etc.
- Basic knowledge and understanding of international / national e-Government Procurement (e-GP).
- Knowledge and experience in technical, commercial and legal aspects of procurement of the World Bank- financed project will be an added advantage.
- Strong communication skills in presenting, discussing and resolving difficult issues. Ability to work efficiently and effectively in a multidisciplinary team.
- Computer skills in Windows System (Word, Excel, Access and Power Point)

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 prescribed format.

6. The International Procurement Specialist (IPS) will be selected in accordance with the "World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (July 2016)". It is expected that the Consultant's service will commence from January 2019 at Dhaka. Duration of the consultancy services would be for 12 (Twelve) months over the period of 36(Thirty-Six) months on a full-time basis, to be subsequently renewed annually based on the Consultant's performance.

7. Expression of Interest (EOI) shall be submitted by December 3, 2018 up to 5:00 PM either in sealed envelope clearly marked "Expression of Interest (EOI) for Selection of "The International Procurement Specialist (IPS)" in the email's subject line or on top of the envelope or through email sent to the following undersigned address. EOIs received after the last date of submission will not be considered for short listing.

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

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