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SINDH SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT
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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM SELECTION)

PAKISTAN SINDH SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT (SSEP)

Loan Credit No.: 62580-PK

Assignment Title: Household Energy Survey

World Bank Project ID: P159712

Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): PK-SED-94725-CS-LCS

The Sindh Energy Department has obtained financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Sindh Solar Energy Project (SSEP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for procurement of consulting services for a Baseline Household Energy Survey in Sindh Province of Pakistan.

The Sindh Solar Energy Project aims to support the deployment of solar power in Sindh Province through development of utility-scale solar power at highly competitive prices within identified solar parks, installation of distributed solar power systems on and around public buildings, and provision of solar home systems for households with no or low access to electricity.¹ This Request for Expressions of Interest refers to the procurement of the Household Energy Survey.

SSEP has the target of providing solar home systems to 200,000 households within the five year project timeline. Sindh Energy Department will identify target districts with low levels of electricity access and provide partial grants to households, to support the purchase of solar home systems from private sector providers.

To support the implementation of this initiative, including the targeting of districts (and households within each district), design of the consumer awareness campaign, and the appropriate level of the grant to be offered to households, Sindh Energy Department has committed to carrying out two household energy surveys in Sindh Province, at the start and end of SSEP, using the recently established Multi-Tier Framework (MTF) for measuring energy access. The surveys will also provide valuable information to inform other government programs, and will facilitate enhanced international reporting.

¹ Further details available here: <http://projects.worldbank.org/P159712?lang=en>

This assignment is for the first of the two surveys to be commissioned under SSEP. The survey shall collect household level information on electricity consumption, expenditure patterns, spending and usage of alternate forms of lighting and other needs, and some limited data on non-electricity energy usage. The estimated level of effort is around 30 weeks after the award of the contract.

The draft Terms of References (TOR) for the assignment can be downloaded from <http://sindhenergy.gov.pk>.

Sindh Energy Department under “Sindh Solar Energy Project” now invites eligible reputed consulting firms, or consortium of firms (“Consultant”) that have extensive experience in household surveys to indicate their interest in providing the services specified. Interested firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are: (i) General experience of over ten (10) years in implementing detailed surveys especially household surveys in rural areas (including use of the latest data collection technologies); (ii) Management capacity of the firm including general availability of technical and managerial qualified staff in conducting and organizing professional surveys; and (iii) Logistical capacity through existence of established offices and networks.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016 (revised 2017 and August 2018), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of Interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy with other firms(s). In case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant shall be selected in accordance with the Least Cost-Based Selection (LCS) method set out in the paragraph 7.6 of Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, as follows: 0900-1700 hours PST.

Expressions of Interest must be delivered as an electronic PDF file and in hard copy to the below mentioned address by **20th of February 2019, 5:00 PM office time.**

The REOI is also available at UNDB and World Bank websites.

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