Government of the Peoples Republic of Bangladesh
Ministry of Primary and Mass Education
Directorate of Primary Education
Third Primary Education Development Program (PEDP-3)
Section 2, Mirpur, Dhaka 1216
www.dpe.gov.bd

Request for Expressions of Interest (Firm)

Memo no. DPE/PEDP III/Fin. & Proc./School Survey/2012/928 Date: 7June 2012

The Directorate of Primary Education (DPE) has received public funds from the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GOB) and funds from ADB, IDA, DFID, CIDA, EU, SIDA, JICA, AUSAID, UNICEF towards the cost of the Third Primary Education Development Program (PEDP-3) and intends to apply part of the proceeds of these funds (excluding IDA) to payments under the contract for the provision of consultancy services for the Program by a Consulting Firm (National) for Third Party Validation of Annual School Census (2012).

The services will cover collection of information through a sample survey from a representative random sample (approximately 725 schools of seven Divisions), assess the quality of the Primary School Census Data 2012 and prepare report of international standard. Detailed TOR is available at Finance Division of DPE, DPE website (www.dpe.gov.bd) and ADB website (www.cms.adb.org)

Qualification and Experience : i)) The firm should have a minimum of the seven years' experience in the relevant area; ii) a minimum of 5 years experience in surveys; particularly in quantitative data collection methods; iii) priority will be given to agencies with a proven track record in conducting similar surveys with Government; particularly surveys involving the primary schools; iv) adequate logistic facilities and human resources to undertake the assignment and v) analytical report writing skills in English.

The Directorate of Primary Education (DPE) now invites eligible Consulting Firms (National) to indicate their interest in providing their services. Interested Consultants (Firms) shall have to submit EOI using standard EOI form of ADB and need to provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar operating conditions, availability of appropriate professional qualification and experience among staff, etc.). Firms can download standard EOI form from ADB website.

The Firm will be selected using Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) sub-method in accordance with the ADB's Guidelines on The Use of Consultants (2010). It is expected that the services will commence from 10 September 2012 and be completed on 10 December 2012.

Expressions of Interest must reach by 5.00 pm on 10 July 2012 in sealed envelope to Director (Finance), Directorate of Primary Education (DPE), Section-2, Mirpur, Dhaka 1216 and be clearly marked **"Request for Expressions of Interest for Selection of a Consulting Firm (National) for Third Party Validation of Annual School Census (2012)" .**

The procuring entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOI's.

Signed/-
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For
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