

1. Minimum Key Experts' Time Input / Person-Months

It is clarified that no minimum number of Key Experts' person-months or minimum deployment requirement against individual Key Expert positions is prescribed in the RFP.

The Consultant shall propose the required Key Experts and their respective time-inputs based on the scope of services, Terms of Reference (TOR), work methodology, work plan, and requirements of the assignment. The Consultant shall provide a detailed Staffing Schedule and Estimate of Staff Months, including the proposed deployment during the Design, Construction Supervision, and Defects Liability Period, as considered necessary for satisfactory performance of the services.

2. PEC Codes / Codes of Practice

The PEC Codes of Practice 1201, 1203, 1204 and 1231, as already specified in the RFP, shall remain unchanged.

No additional PEC Codes of Practice, service codes, or engineering disciplines proposed in the clarification request shall be made mandatory for eligibility. Consultant firms shall, however, ensure that they possess the requisite professional capacity and expertise to undertake the multidisciplinary services included in the scope of the assignment.

3. Clarification Regarding Online and Hard-Copy Submission

It is clarified that the Technical and Financial Proposals shall be submitted electronically through EPADS v2.0 in accordance with the instructions provided in the RFP.

In addition to the electronic submission, one hard copy of the Technical Proposal, duly signed where required, shall also be submitted physically for the purpose of technical evaluation. The hard copy shall be properly arranged, paginated, numbered and flagged, with all relevant documents and supporting evidence clearly marked to facilitate the technical evaluation process.

The original Bid Security shall also be submitted physically in accordance with the requirements of the RFP.

The Financial Proposal shall not be submitted in hard copy. Any provision relating to the physical submission of the Financial Proposal shall be read accordingly, and the electronic submission requirements through EPADS v2.0 shall prevail.

4. Academic and Professional Qualifications of Key Experts

The qualifications and experience requirements of the Key Experts shall be assessed in accordance with the requirements, responsibilities and evaluation criteria provided in the RFP.

The Consultant shall propose suitably qualified and experienced professionals relevant to their respective positions and responsibilities. All Engineers proposed as Key Experts shall be registered

with the Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC), wherever applicable, and shall perform their key responsibilities in accordance with the relevant PEC By-Laws and applicable rules and regulations.

The specific requirements relating to PCATP registration for the Town Planner and Architects, as stipulated in the RFP, shall remain applicable. No separate amendment or additional qualification criteria are required.

5. Project Area, Building Areas and Basic Planning Parameters

The Consultant is required to undertake the necessary surveys, site analysis, master planning and detailed planning as part of the scope of services.

The project comprises the development of the Labour Complex, Gujrat, including approximately 100 Housing Units, a School, a 25-Bedded Hospital, amenity facilities and allied infrastructure/services, as provided in the RFP. The exact area allocation, built-up areas, planning parameters and development programme shall be determined by the Consultant during the planning and design stages in consultation with WWF.

The available information provided in the RFP shall be considered sufficient for preparation of the proposals. No separate amendment in this regard is required.

6. Estimated Construction Cost / Project Budget

The estimated construction cost and final project cost shall be determined during the planning, design, preparation of the Engineer's Estimate and PC-I/PC-II, as applicable, in accordance with the scope of services.

The Consultant shall prepare its Technical and Financial Proposal based on the scope, deliverables and requirements provided in the RFP. No separate tentative construction cost is being prescribed for the purpose of proposal submission.

7. Basis of Financial Proposal – Lump Sum vs. Man-Month

It is clarified that the Financial Proposal shall be submitted in accordance with the relevant Financial Proposal Forms provided in the RFP.

The Survey, Master Planning and Design Services (Phase-I) shall be quoted on a Lump Sum basis, whereas Detailed Construction Supervision Services (Phase-II) shall be quoted on a Man-Month basis, as provided in Form-6 and other relevant provisions of the RFP.

The Consultant shall determine and propose the required staffing and person-month deployment for the supervision services based on the scope of work, work methodology and requirements of the assignment. No prescribed minimum person-month deployment is being specified.

8. Site Plan / Location Plan and Existing Site Information

The available site/location information has been provided/communicated to the prospective consultants during the pre-bid process. The Consultant shall also undertake the necessary site visits, surveys, investigations and site analysis required for preparation of the master plan and detailed designs in accordance with the TOR.

The required topographic survey, identification of existing utilities/structures, boundary verification and other necessary investigations shall form part of the Consultant's scope of services, as stipulated in the RFP.

9. Design and Supervision Period / Overall Consultancy Duration

The approximate timelines for various stages of the consultancy services are provided in the RFP/TOR.

The Consultant shall prepare its work programme, staffing schedule and proposed deployment in accordance with the requirements of the assignment. The construction supervision period is expected to be approximately two years, while services during the Defects Liability Period shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of the contract and actual project requirements.

Continuous deployment of all professional staff throughout the entire Defects Liability Period is not implied. The required professional services during this period shall be provided as per the nature and requirements of the services.

10. Price Adjustment Provision

The provisions relating to price adjustment shall be applicable in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RFP and the Contract Agreement.

The successful Consultant's contract shall be administered in accordance with the applicable contractual provisions. The bidders shall submit their proposals based on the terms and conditions provided in the RFP.

11. Completion of Blank Contractual Particulars

The relevant contractual particulars shall be finalized and incorporated, wherever applicable, at the appropriate stage in accordance with the requirements of the procurement and contract.

The bidders shall submit their proposals based on the information, terms and conditions presently provided in the RFP. No extension in the proposal submission deadline shall be granted on this account.