



Strengthening Social Protection

Delivery System in Sindh

Sindh Social Protection Authority

Social Protection Department

Government of Sindh

Reference No: PK-SPA-374888-CS-CQS

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**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES– FIRMS SELECTION)**

**Assignment Title: Hiring of Health Facility Service Availability & Readiness
Assessment**

Government of Sindh (herein after called Borrower) has received financing from the International Development Association (IDA) (the Bank) in the form of a credit (hereinafter called credit) towards the cost of strengthening social protection system in the Sindh Province. The Project Director, Project Management & Implementation Unit, Strengthening Social Protection Delivery System Sindh, Sindh Social Protection Authority, Social Protection Department, Government of Sindh an implementation Agency intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit towards payments under the contract for which this invitation of services is issued as per World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers dated July 2016 (Revised in Nov 2020) available on www.worldbank.org.

Project Management & Implementation Unit Strengthening Social Protection Delivery System Sindh (SSPDSS) shall be the Purchaser and required bids tax registered well reputed bidders having previous experience to provide similar type of items.

Further description of the task along with complete scope is mentioned in the detailed ToRs are hoisted at <https://sspa.gos.pk/procurement/>

The Social Protection Department, Government of Sindh, the implementing agency for the said program, now invites eligible consulting firms("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the said Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Proven experience in conducting health facility assessments and readiness evaluations or similar field surveys for past 10 years
- Should have completed at least three assignments of comparable scale and complexity
- Should have adequate logistics as evidenced from established offices
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- Availability of a multidisciplinary team comprising of following key personnel, other than the field surveyors:

Team Lead: Preferable a health expert within the multidisciplinary team bring a deep understanding of healthcare systems, protocols, and best practices. They leverage their clinical and administrative expertise to build the capacity of their surveyors to assess the quality and capacity of MNCH services, ensuring the project's alignment with industry standards and regulations.

Field Coordinator: The Field Coordinator acts as the operation lead of the assessment process, orchestrating logistical arrangements, liaising with health facilities, and overseeing on-site operations. Their organizational and interpersonal skills ensure the smooth execution of the assessment, facilitating effective communication between the multidisciplinary team, health facility staff, and local stakeholders.

Data Analysts: The Data Analysts play a crucial role in the assessment process by organizing, and analyzing the data. Their proficiency in statistical analysis and data visualization enables the team to derive valuable insights, contributing to evidence-based decision-making and accurate evaluation of health facility capabilities.

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 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Applicants / 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. In the 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 will be selected in accordance with the Consultant Quality Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e.* 10.00 to 17.00 hours.

EOI must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person or by post) by 15.00 hours on 08th September 2023. All received REOs would be opened at 15:30 hours on the last day of submissions in presence of representatives / consultant who wish to attend.

Submission address:

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