

## Expression of Interest (EoI)

*“Consultancy Services for detailed feasibility and detailed engineering design of 221 km state road network Project.”*

**HIMACHAL PRADESH STATE ROADS TRANSFORMATION  
PROJECT (HPSRTP)**

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST  
(CONSULTING SERVICES)**

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(HPSRTP)**

Loan No. IBRD-90660

**Assignment Title:** “Consultancy Services for detailed feasibility and detailed engineering design of 221 km state road network”

**Reference No.:** IN-HPRIDC - 425860-CS-QCBS

The Government of Himachal Pradesh has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Himachal Pradesh State Roads Transformation Project (HPSRTP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting service (“the Services”) assignment has following goals and broad objectives as under:

The main objective of the Consultancy services is to carryout feasibility study of a specified length of State Road Network and prepare detailed engineering reports, including safeguard assessment of prioritized roads and assist the Client in the procurement of civil works in compliance with the GoHP and World Bank requirements.

In this regard, HPRIDCL intends to engage a qualified eligible multi-disciplinary JV consulting Firm for preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPR) for 221 kms (approx. aggregate length) of hilly terrain State Road Network. The scope of the project involves the design of an all-weather roads incorporating bypasses, tunnels, innovative bridges and long-span viaducts to minimize impact on existing habitation, reduce hill cutting, improve road geometry and ensure environmental and social sustainability. The provision of tunnels and Viaducts is aimed to minimizing the environmental/social impact and enhancing the riding comfort with significant reduction in travel time.

The Himachal Pradesh Road and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (HPRIDCL) now invite 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 Services. The short-listing criteria are given in the Expression of Interest (EoI). The EoI includes the following documents: -

- (i) Section I: Instructions for submission of Expression of Interest and Guidelines for preparation of EoI.
- (ii) Section II: Eligibility and short-listing Criteria including Annexure-I to V.
- (iii) Section III. (Not attached: Can be downloaded from the website) The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraphs 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” dated July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018 (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on Conflict of Interest.

It would be mandatory for a national bidder to have a Joint Venture (JV) with foreign consultancy firm working in developed countries having extensive experience in tunnel and long span viaduct/bridge development. 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.

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A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the QCBS method set out in the Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016, Revised November 2017 and August 2018 (“Procurement Regulations”).


The detailed “Request for Expression of Interest” can be downloaded from the following websites/  
URL:- <http://himachalservices.nic.in/hpridc/>

The indicative Revised Terms of Reference (ToR) subject to modification & finalization before issuing of Request for Proposal (RFP), for the assignment is already available at the following websites /  
URL:- <http://himachalservices.nic.in/hpridc/> .

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e. 1000 to 1700 hours Indian Standard Time (IST) on any working day.*

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by post) by April 16, 2025 at 1500 hours (IST).

Dated: March 28, 2025

  
Director (Projects),  
HPRIDCL, Nirman Bhawan, Nigam Vihar,  
Shimla-171002(H.P)  
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<b>Section-I</b>	
<b>Instructions for submission of Expression of Interest:</b>	
1.	Consultant shall go through the guidelines given below and Section - II before preparing EoI Proposal.
2.	Consultants who meets short listing criteria given in Section - II, shall prepare EoI as per the guidelines. If the Consultant feels to submit certain information not covered in the guidelines would be in his interest, he may submit such information.
3.	Accomplished Expression of Interest (Application) must be submitted together with a Letter of Intent not later than 15:00 hours (IST) on April 16, 2025. Documents in support of all qualification information shall be submitted with application. Proposal of EoI with qualification information shall be furnished on/before the due date of submission at the address shown under para 12 here below.
4.	The Application shall be basis of drawing up a shortlist of eligible consultants who will be invited to submit proposal for services required.
5.	All Applications shall be submitted in English.
6.	Power of attorney (on stamp paper duly notarized) of the person submitting the Expression of Interest (EoI) on behalf of the Applicant shall be attached. Joint Venture (JV) /Association shall not have more than 2 members. One of the members should be a Lead Member.
7.	The individual members of any Joint Venture (JV) shall submit only one Proposal as part of a Joint Venture member. If a Consultant of any Joint Venture (JV), submits or participates in more than one proposal, all such proposals shall be disqualified and rejected.
8.	The Application and all related correspondence and documents should be written in the English language. Supporting documents and printed literature furnished by the Applicant with the Application may be in any other language provided that they are accompanied with translations in the English language. Supporting materials, which are not translated into English, may not be considered. For the purpose of interpretation and evaluation of the Application, the English language translation shall prevail.
9.	HPRIDCL reserves the right to reject any Applications, without assigning any reasons thereof.
10.	The Applicant shall provide all the information sought under this REoI document. HPRIDCL will evaluate only those Applications that are received in the required format and complete in all respects. Incomplete and / or conditional Applications shall be liable to rejection.
11.	No claims whatsoever will be entertained if submission is not received by due date and time.
12.	Any submission must be addressed to the following: <i>Office of the Director (Projects), HPRIDCL, Nirman Bhawan, Nigam Vihar, Shimla (H.P.), India PIN-171002</i>

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13.	<p>The Proposal of EoI must be submitted no later than:  <b>Date: April 16, 2025 Time: 15:00 hours (IST)</b></p> <p>Opening of the EoI Proposal,</p> <p>The opening shall take place at:  Office of the Director (Projects),  HPRIDCL, Nirman Bhawan,  Nigam Vihar, Shimla (H.P.), India PIN-171002  <b>Date: April 16, 2025 Time: 15:30 hours (IST)</b></p>
14.	The Consultant shall submit a signed and complete EoI comprising the documents and forms in accordance with EoI documents.
15.	An authorized representative of the Consultant shall sign the original submission letters in the required format for EoI submission and shall initial all pages. The authorization shall be in the form of a written power of attorney attached to the EoI Proposal.
16.	The signed EoI shall be marked " <b>ORIGINAL</b> ", and its <b>two copies</b> marked " <b>COPY-1 &amp; COPY-2</b> " as appropriate. Copies shall be made from the signed original. If there are discrepancies between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
17.	The original and the copies of the EoI submission shall be placed inside of a sealed envelope clearly marked " <b>EoI PROPOSAL</b> ", for " <b>Consultancy Services for detailed feasibility and detailed engineering design of 221 km state road network</b> ", reference number, name and address of the Consultant, and with a warning " <b>DO NOT OPEN UNTIL Date: April 16, 2025 Time: 15:30 hours (IST)</b>
18.	The sealed envelopes containing the EoI submission original and copies shall be placed into one outer envelope and sealed. This outer envelope shall bear the submission address, reference number, the name of the assignment, Consultant's name and the address, and shall be clearly marked " <b>DO NOT OPEN BEFORE Date: April 16, 2025 Time: 15:30 hours (IST)</b>
19.	If the envelopes and packages with the EoI are not sealed and marked as required, the Client will assume no responsibility for the misplacement, loss, or premature opening of the EoI.
20.	<p><b>Any submission must be addressed to the following:</b>  Director (Projects),  HPRIDCL, Nirman Bhawan,  Nigam Vihar, Shimla (H.P.), India PIN-171002.</p>

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<b>Guidelines for Preparation of Expression of Interest</b>	
	Following information shall be submitted using given formats and where no formats are specified, free format can be used.
1.	Complete name of firm, date of establishment and type of organization whether individual, Proprietorship, partnership, private limited company, public limited company etc. ( <b>Annexure I</b> ).
2.	Exact and complete corporate/registered/home office address, business address, telephone numbers, fax numbers, E-mail and cable address. For consultant of foreign registry, indicate if there is any branch office(s) established in India with details in aforesaid manner. Information is to be furnished by members of JV individually ( <b>Annexure I</b> ).
3.	If present firm is the successor to or outgrowth of one or more predecessor firms, fresh name(s) of former entity (ties) and year(s) of their original establishment with details in aforesaid manner. Information is to be furnished by members of JV/Association individually ( <b>Annexure I</b> ).
4.	Present a brief narrative description of the firms. Information is to be furnished by members of JV/Association individually ( <b>Annexure I</b> ).
5.	List of not more than two (2) principals who may be contacted by this Office. Listed principals must be empowered to speak for him or for the firm on policy and contractual matters. Information is to be furnished by members of JV individually. ( <b>Annexure I</b> )
6.	Under this item, indicate financial figures from consultancy business for past 5 (five) financial years. ( <b>Annexure II</b> )
6.	Organizational strength of each member of JV shall be given. ( <b>Annexure III</b> )
7.	Each member of JV shall have experience in Feasibility Study / Detailed Design and DPR Preparation (on item rate/EPC) of road project. Only those works which are done as prime consultant need to be reported. ( <b>Annexure IV</b> )
8.	As many references from employers as the consultant (for each member JV) may choose shall be submitted.
9.	An undertaking for supply of true information shall be given as per <b>Annexure V</b> .

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## Section - II

### Short Listing Criteria

#### A. ANNUAL TURN OVER

- (i) Annual Average turnover of last five financial years i.e. from 2019 -2020 to 2023- 2024 updated to the financial year 2023-24 shall be more than Rs. 8.0 crores for lead member of JV. This threshold for each other member of JV shall be more than Rs 5.0 crores.

For arriving at updated value, turnover of any financial year shall be multiplied by the enhancement/updating factor corresponding to that year given in the **Annexure-II**.

Audited Balance Sheet, Profit & Loss account for the financial years 2019 -2020 to 2023- 2024 are to be submitted.

#### B. EXPERIENCE

The Consultant must have experience as follows:

- i. The experience of Detailed Design and DPR Preparation (on item rate/EPC) of road project involving road length not less than 100 Km for 2-lane carriageway or 50 Km for 4-lane/6-lane carriageway in each project for lead member of JV and for other partners it would be 80 Km or 2-lane carriageway and 40 Km for 4-lane/6-lane carriageway (for each project). Such project must have been completed within last 10 (ten) years including 2024.
- ii. The experience in preparation of feasibility and DPR documents for addressing the Environmental and Social issues within Environmental and Social Management Framework for similar 2 no. road projects completed within last 10 (ten) years including 2024.
- iii. To minimize environmental & social impact the bidder must have successfully designed at least two tunnels of minimum 500m length in mountainous or hilly terrain. Out of these, one tunnel must be more than 1000m in length and include escape tunnel provisions. The design must have been successfully implemented at site or at least 80% completed as on submission date by implementing agency. The bidder will submit the status report of client as evidence for the same.
- iv. The bidder must have experience in the design of least one innovative bridge or viaduct with a total length of at least 300m, including at least one single clear span of 70m or more in challenging environments such as deep gorges, rivers or urban settlements, utilizing advance structural techniques.
- v. Experience in externally aided projects shall be given preference.

#### C. ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE & PERMANENT STAFFING

- (i) At least 7 years in the business of preparing Feasibility/DPRs with minimum 3 years in Feasibility/DPRs in Hill Road experience.
- (ii) Should have at least 4 nos. of permanent Key Expert

#### Note:-

A Project would qualify as similar Project, if it meets with following:

- a. Widening & Strengthening of existing roads in hilly terrain

Consultant must satisfy A, B and C for becoming eligible for short-listing.



**Annexure - I**

1. Expression of Interest Form for Consulting Firm or Joint Venture/Association (To be filled up by each of the constituent in case of a Joint Venture/Association)

Consultant	Date of Establishment	Country	Type of organization			
			Individual	Partnership	Corporation	Other
Name						

2. Corporate/ Registered Office/ Business Address/ Telephone Nos. / Cable Address/ e-mail address of the consultant and its branch offices for consultant (including members in case of JV/Association).
3. Consultant's former name and year of establishment (including that of members in case of JV/Association).
4. Narrative description of consultant firms if any (Use another sheet, if necessary).
5. Name of not more than two (2) principals who may be contacted with title, telephone number/fax number, E-mail address.

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**Annexure-II**

**Financial Statement of the last five financial years**

Sl. No.	Particulars		2023-24	2022-23	2021-22	2020-21	2019-20
1	Annual turnover from Consulting business (INR Crores)	Lead Member					
		another member					
2	Net Profit (INR Crores)	Lead Member					
		Another member					

**Notes:**

- a. Values should be duly certified by statutory body like Chartered Accountant or Independent Auditors who are competent to do so as recognized by the State concerned.
- b. The amount shall be stated in Indian Rupees (INR).
- c. For the purpose of short listing, conversion to Indian Rupees shall be based average of the buying and selling rates of Reserve Bank of India as on the EoI Proposal submission date.
- d. In case the exchange rate for any currency is not available as per the provision of this section, then HPRIDCL reserves the right to use the rate available from an alternative source at its sole discretion.
- e. Enhancement/Updating Factor: -

Sr. No.	Year	Enhancement/ Updating factor
1	2023-24	1.000
2	2022-23	1.100
3	2021-22	1.210
4	2020-21	1.331
5	2019-20	1.464



**Annexure-III**

**Organizational strength**

Experts with Name	Total Strength	Engineers/ Specialist and institutional expert on payroll and having over 10 years of experience.	Engineers/ Specialist and institutional expert on payroll and having over 7 years of experience	Engineers/ Specialist and institutional expert in road sector only	Engineers/Specialist and institutional expert having				Remarks	
					Doctorates	Post Graduates MBA Others	Graduates	Diploma		
e.g.										
Senior Highway Engineer										
Highway Design Engineer										
Senior Bridge/Structural Engineer										
Material - cum - Geotechnical Engineer										
Etc...										

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**Annexure-IV**

**Details of Experience:**

Sr No.	Projects Name/Year	Type of Services	Cost of Assignment (Rs. in Crore)	Client (With complete address, telephone No. Fax No. and E-mail address)	Fee in INR (Applicant's share in case of JV/ Association)	Duration in months	International Funding Agency	%age completion of assignment as on December 31, 2024
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Sole Consultant or for each of the Members in case of JV/Association							
	(a) Funded by World Bank							
	(b) Funded by Multi Doner bank (other than WB)							
	(c) India							
	(d) Others							

**Note: only those assignments shall be considered for which consultant has provided services as lead member in case that work is done by a JV/Association.**

Each assignment shall be supported by following details: -

- Name of Overall assignment: \_\_\_\_\_
- Location of Overall assignment: \_\_\_\_\_
- Owner's Name and Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- Completion (Actual/Estimated vis-à-vis Stipulated): \_\_\_\_\_
- Description of assignment: \_\_\_\_\_
- Description of Services provided by the firm: \_\_\_\_\_
- Experience Certificate for satisfactory completion of assignment by the Client: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signatory  
Name of Client



Annexure - V

**Undertaking**

I certify that the information in the above Expression of Interest forms is true to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that any misleading or wrong information will disqualify this application straightway.

