

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

FOR

Selection of Agency/Consultants for appointment as Financial Management and Accounting Support Consultant in Bihar Skill Development Mission (BSDM), Govt. of Bihar.



RFP No: BSDM/03/2019-2020

Date: 09.01.2020

**BIHAR SKILL DEVELOPMENT MISSION (BSDM)
DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR RESOURCES
GOVERNMENT OF BIHAR,
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Notice Inviting Request for Proposal

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Additional Chief Secretary, Dept. of Labour Resources, Govt. of Bihar- cum- CEO, BSDM, invites proposals (Two Bid System) from reputed and experienced Chartered Accountant Firms for working as Financial Management and Accounting Support Consultant (FMASC) and for further strengthening of such existing system at BSDM.

Pre-requisite for participating Chartered Accountant Firm:

- The Chartered Accountant Firm should be registered with ICAI and have Income Tax Registration and GST Registration [**To provide all Certificate of Registration**].
- The CA Firms should have been in operation in India for at least 10 years after registration and have its Head Office in Patna, Bihar.
- CA Firm should have at least 5 years of experience in working/consulting in the accounting and financial management sector (**not statutory audit, Internal Audit or concurrent audit**) of Central /State Level Government Organizations of India or in any State Government or Central Government Undertakings and have **undertaken at least three similar assignments**. [**To provide brief details and a Declaration signed by the Principal Officer of the Firm in the respect**]
- Average Annual Turnover** of the bidder for the **last three financial years ending on 31st March 2019** should be equal to or greater than **Rs. 100 lakhs**. [**To provide copies of audited Financial Statements for all the 3 years**].

Document Fee and Tender Processing Fee: All Applicants have to pay a non-refundable Document Fee of Rs. 15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand only) and Tender Processing Fee of Rs. 1,180.00 (One Thousand One Hundred Eighty only) **through e-payment mode** (i.e. NEFT/RTGS/Credit Card/Debit Card) on E-Proc Portal.

Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): An EMD of Rs. 1,00,000/- (One Lakh) only, in the form of a **Demand Draft** drawn from a Scheduled commercial Bank of India in favor of "Bihar Skill Development Mission" payable at Patna, should be submitted **in the hard copy** in the office of Mission Director, Bihar Skill Development Mission # A-Wing, 5th Floor, Niyojan Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna-800001, on or before **03:00 PM of 05.02.2020**, failing which the bid will be rejected. **Note: EMD must be submitted in hard copy/DD mode only and payment through on-line mode, if any, will be outright rejected.**

The Proposal has to be submitted through online mode on <https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in> and can be searched by clicking the Tab "Tender Free View" on home page of above website and then going to Live Tender/ Hot Tender by searching Department Name as "Labour Resources Department"

The Proposal has to be submitted in online mode containing following cover stage-

- Technical Bid Open Stage
- Cost Bid Open Stage

The application procedure, eligibility criteria, evaluation methodology, terms and conditions and the scope of work are detailed in this RFP which can be seen or downloaded from the "e-Procurement Portal <https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in> and departmental website: <http://www.skillmissionbihar.org>. The RFP will be available to download from the above website from **10.01.2020 to 04.02.2020 (15:00 Hrs.)**. The last date for uploading of proposal/bid will be **05.02.2020 up to 15.00 Hrs**. Technical Bid will be opened on **05.02.2020 at 16:00 Hrs**. **The Evaluation of Bids will be under LCS system**. Please refer RFP document for complete details.

The undersigned reserves the right to issue addendum/corrigendum/modification or to amend any or all conditions of this RFP Document or to accept or reject any or all proposal(s) or to cancel the whole of this RFP at any stage without assigning any reason thereof and no bidder shall have any cause of action or claim against the undersigned or BSDM for the same.

**Additional Chief Secretary,
Department of Labour Resources, Government of Bihar,
-cum- Chief Executive Officer, Bihar Skill Development Mission.**



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NOTICE INVITIG e-TENDER

(Through e-Procurement Mode only)

(<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>)

Tender Notice No: BSDM/03/2019-2020

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Proposals (**Two Bid System**) are invited from reputed and experienced from reputed and experienced Chartered Accountant Firms for working as Financial Management and Accounting Support Consultant (FMASC) and for further strengthening of such existing system at BSDM.

SL No.	Scope of Work	Tender processing Fee(Non Refundable) (inclusive of GST @18.00%) to be paid through e-payment mode (i.e. NEFT/RTGS/,Credit Card/Debit card) (in Rupees)	Earnest Money Deposit (In Rupees)	Document Fee to be paid through e-payment mode (i.e. NEFT/RTGS/,Credit Card/Debit card) (in Rupees)
1	2	3	4	5
01.	Selection of Agency/Consultants for appointment as Financial Management and Accounting Support Consultant in Bihar Skill Development Mission (BSDM), Govt. of Bihar.	Rs. 1180.00	Rs. 1,00,000.00 (BY DD Only)	Rs. 15,000/-

Tender Schedule/Programme:

Sl. No.	Activity	Date/Time : Duration
1.	Online Sale/Download date of Tender documents	From 10.01.2020 to 04.02.2020 (15:00 Hrs.) (https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in)
2.	Last Date of sending Pre-Bid queries by e-mail	20.01.2020 up to 05.00 PM on rakesh2611@gmail.com
3.	Date, Time and Place of Pre-Bid Meeting	In the office of Bihar Skill Development Mission # A-Wing, 5th Floor, Niyojan Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna-800001, on 12:30 PM of 21.01.2020.
4.	Publishing of Pre-Bid queries response	Latest by 23.01.2020.
5.	Last Date/Time for submission/ uploading of offer/Bid	05.02.2020 up to 15.00 Hrs. (https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in)
6.	Submission of EMD (Demand Draft) in Hard copy/Original	In the office of Mission Director, Bihar Skill Development Mission # A-Wing, 5th Floor, Niyojan Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna-800001, on or before 03:00 PM of 05.02.2020.
7.	Date & time for opening of Technical Bid	05.02.2020 at 16:00 Hrs. (https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in)
8.	Contact person/Nodal Officer for queries	Mr. Rakesh Ranjan Email: rakesh2611@gmail.com Contact No: 0612-2528455
9.	Financial Bid Opening Date and Time	Date to be announced later at e-proc portal by competent authority.

- Detailed descriptions and instructions for submitting your proposal can be downloaded from e-tender website (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>).
 - Tender Processing Fee (TPF) and Document Fee to be paid through e-Payment mode (i.e NEFT / RTGS, Credit / Debit Card & Net Banking) only through E-Proc Portal.
 - **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD):** An EMD of Rs. 1,00,000/- (One Lakh) only, in the form of a **Demand Draft** drawn from a Scheduled commercial Bank of India in favor of “Bihar Skill Development Mission” payable at Patna, should be submitted **in the hard copy** in the office of Mission Director, Bihar Skill Development Mission # A-Wing, 5th Floor, Niyojan Bhawan, Bailey Road, Patna-800001, on or before stipulated date, failing which the bid will be rejected. This EMD will be non-interest bearing and refundable. If the selected bidder fails to submit the requisite performance guarantee or to execute the agreement, this EMD will be forfeited. (Please also refer section 1.11)
- Note: EMD has to be submitted in hard copy/DD mode only and payment through on-line mode, if any, will be out-right rejected.**
- **Return of EMD:** The EMD of unsuccessful bidders will be returned after execution of agreement with successful agency or completion of Bid validity period whichever is earlier.
 - Bids along with necessary online payments (Tender Processing Fee and Document Fee) must be submitted through e-Procurement portal (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>) before the date and time specified in the NIT/RFP. The department/Tendering Authority doesn't take any responsibility for the delay / Non Submission of Tender / Non Reconciliation of online Payment caused due to Non availability of Internet Connection, Network Traffic/ Holidays or any other reason."
 - The bidders shall submit their eligibility and qualification details, Certificates as mentioned in section etc., in the online standard formats given in e-Procurement web site (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>) at the respective stage only.
 - The bidders should ensure that all the required documents as mentioned in the tender document are submitted/ uploaded along with the bid and in the prescribed format only. The bidder shall upload the scanned copies of all the relevant certificates, documents etc., in support of their eligibility criteria / technical bids and other certificate /documents in the e-Procurement web site (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>). **This will be bidder’s sole responsibility to ensure that all required documents have been uploaded and all uploaded documents, when downloaded must be legible/readable failing which their bid will be rejected. Hence it is advised that all the documents should be properly scanned and uploaded. Care should be taken that no Financial Proposal or scan thereof should be uploaded with Technical proposal documents else the bid will be outright rejected.**
 - The bidder shall digitally sign on the supporting statements, documents, certificates, uploaded by him, owning responsibility for their correctness/authenticity. The bidder shall attach all the required documents for the specific tender after uploading the same during the bid submission as per the tender notice and bid document.
 - Conditional Bids shall be out-rightly rejected.
 - **Validity of Bids:** Minimum 180 days from Last date of Bid submission.
 - **Pre-Bid Meeting:** BSDM shall receive and respond to Pre-Bid queries of prospective bidders as per the scheduled date and time as mentioned in the above Table of Tender Schedule. The bidders are requested

to send their consolidated queries to the e-mail address, as specifically mentioned in the above table, only once and further queries sent by the bidders may not be entertained.

BSDM will host a Pre-Bid meeting as per the scheduled date and time as mentioned in the above table of Tender Schedule in this RFP. BSDM may incorporate any changes in the RFP based on acceptable suggestions received in pre-bid queries. The decision of BSDM regarding acceptability of any suggestion shall be final in this regard and shall not be called upon to question under any circumstances. The response to the queries shall be conveyed by way of hosting amendments/ clarifications on the websites (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>) and (www.skillmissionbihar.org) and no bidders/participant would be intimated individually about the responses of BSDM.

Maximum two representative with due authorization from each prospective bidder shall be allowed to participate in the pre-bid meeting.

The purpose of the pre-bid meeting is to provide the prospective bidders with information regarding the business process of BSDM, the RFP and the project requirements and to provide each bidder with an opportunity to seek clarifications regarding any aspect of the RFP and the Project.

- For support related to e-tendering process, bidders may contact at following address “e- Procurement HELP DESK First Floor, M/22, Bank of India Building, Road No-25, Sri Krishna Nagar, Patna- 800001. Ph. No: **0612-2523006**, Mob- **7542028164**” or may visit the link “Vendor Info” at (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>).
- **Corrigendum/ Addendum/ amendments** if any, will be published on the departmental website <http://www.skillmissionbihar.org> and e-Procurement, Bihar <https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in> itself. All such corrigendum/ addendum/ amendments shall be binding on all the bidders. The bidders are also advised to visit the aforementioned website on regular basis for checking of corrigendum/ addendum/ amendments, if any.
- Kindly note that the selection of agency under this RFP will not guarantee allocation of work and BSDM will assume no liability or cost towards it. BSDM makes no commitments, express or implied, that this process will result in a business transaction between anyone.
- **Associates or JV arrangement or networking is not allowed under the assignment.**

**Additional Chief Secretary,
Department of Labour Resources,
Government of Bihar, -cum-
Chief Executive Officer,
Bihar Skill Development Mission**

e-Tendering Process Related Instructions.

➤ Submission of Proposals Through electronic mode only,

1. The bidder shall submit his bid/tender on e-Procurement platform at www.eproc.bihar.gov.in.
2. The bidder must have the Class II/III Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) with signing + Encryption, and User-id of the e-Procurement website before participating in the e-Tendering process. The bidder may use their DSC if they already have. They can also take DSC from any of the authorized agencies. For user-id they have to get registered themselves on e-Procurement Portal <https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in> submit their bids online on the same. Offline bids shall not be entertained by the Tender Inviting Authority for the tenders published in e-procurement platform.
3. The bidders shall submit their eligibility and qualification details, Technical bid, Financial bid etc., in the online standard formats given in e-Procurement web site at the respective stage only. The bidders shall upload the scanned copies of all the relevant certificates, documents etc., in support of their eligibility criteria / technical bids and other certificate /documents in the e-Procurement web site. The bidder shall sign on the supporting statements, documents, certificates, uploaded by him, owning responsibility for their correctness / authenticity. The bidder shall attach all the required documents for the specific tender after uploading the same during the bid submission as per the tender notice and bid document.
4. All the required documents should be attached at the proper place as mentioned in the e-forms otherwise the tender of the bidder will be rejected.
5. Tender Processing Fee (TPF) and Document Fee to be paid through e-Payment mode (i.e NEFT / RTGS, Credit / Debit Card & Net Banking) only.
6. "Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) has to be submitted through manual mode (DD) only and has to be submitted in the office of BSDM before the stipulated time and date.

Note: "Bids along with necessary online payments must be submitted through e-Procurement portal www.eproc.bihar.gov.in before the date and time specified in the NIT/RFP. The department / Tendering Authority doesn't take any responsibility for the delay / Non Submission of Tender / Non Reconciliation of online Payment caused due to Non-availability of Internet Connection, Network Traffic / Holidays or any other reason."

7. The tender opening will be done online only.
8. Any **Corrigendum/Addendum** or date extension notice will be given on the e-Procurement Portal <https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in> only.
9. For support related to e-tendering process, bidders may contact at following address "e- Procurement HELP DESK First Floor, M/22, Bank of India Building, Road No-25, Sri Krishna Nagar, Patna-800001 Ph. No: 0612-2523006, Mob- 7542028164" or may visit the link "Vendor Info" at www.eproc.bihar.gov.in.

Disclaimer:

- i. The information contained in this Request for Proposal document (RFP) or subsequently provided to bidders, whether verbally or in documentary or any other form by or on behalf of the Purchaser or any of their employees or advisers, is provided to bidders on the terms and conditions set out in this RFP and such other terms and conditions subject to which such information is provided.
- ii. This RFP is not an agreement and is neither an offer nor invitation by the BSDM to the prospective bidders or any other person. The purpose of this RFP is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in the formulation of their Proposals pursuant to this RFP. This RFP includes statements, which reflect various assumptions and assessments arrived at by the Purchaser in relation to the Project. Such assumptions, assessments and statements do not purport to contain all the information that each bidder may require. This RFP may not be appropriate for all persons, and it is not possible for the Purchaser, its employees or advisers to consider the objectives, technical expertise and particular needs of each party who reads or uses this RFP. The assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this RFP, may not be complete, accurate, adequate or correct. Each bidder should, therefore, conduct its own investigations and analysis and should check the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and completeness of the assumptions, assessments and information contained in this RFP and obtain independent advice from appropriate sources.
- iii. Information provided in this RFP to the bidders is on a wide range of matters, some of which depends upon interpretation of law. The information given is not an exhaustive account of statutory requirements and should not be regarded as a complete or authoritative statement of law. The Purchaser accepts no responsibility for the accuracy or otherwise for any interpretation or opinion on the law expressed herein.
- iv. The Purchaser, its employees and advisers make no representation or warranty and shall have no liability to any person including any bidder under any law, statute, rules or regulations or tort, principles of restitution or unjust enrichment or otherwise for any loss, damages, cost or expense which may arise from or be incurred or suffered on account of anything contained in this RFP or otherwise, including the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability or completeness of the RFP and any assessment, assumption, statement or information contained therein or deemed to form part of this RFP or arising in any way in this selection process.
- v. The Purchaser also accepts no liability of any nature whether resulting from negligence or otherwise, caused arising from reliance of any bidder upon the statements contained in this RFP. The Authority may in its absolute discretion, but without being under any obligation to do so, update, amend or supplement the information, assessment or assumption contained in this RFP.
- vi. The issue of this RFP does not imply that the Purchaser is bound to select a bidder or to appoint the selected bidder, as the case may be, for the Project and the Purchaser reserves the right to reject all or any of the Proposals without assigning any reasons whatsoever.
- vii. The bidder shall bear all its costs associated with or relating to the preparation and submission of its Proposal including but not limited to preparation, copying, postage, delivery fees, expenses associated with any demonstrations or presentations which may be required by the Purchaser or any other costs incurred in connection with or relating to its Proposal. All such costs and expenses will remain with the bidder and the Purchaser shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for the same or for any other costs or other expenses incurred by an bidder in preparation of submission of the Proposal, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the Selection Process.

Section 1 – Letter of invitation

RFP Ref. No.: BSDM/03/2019-2020

Date- 07.01.2020

To:

[insert: Name and Address of Consultant]..

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Attention: Mr/Ms

1. The Chief Executive Officer, Bihar Skill Development Mission, Government of Bihar invites proposals to provide the following consulting services:

Financial Management and Accounting Support Consultants in Bihar Skill Development Mission

2. The Background Information and Terms of Reference for the Consulting services, Scope of Work are provided in Section 5 of the Request for Proposal (RFP)
3. This RFP is available to all eligible prospective consulting firms.
4. A firm will be selected under Least Cost basis Method and as per procedures described in this RFP.
5. The RFP includes the following documents:

Section 1 - Letter of Invitation

Section 2 - Instructions to Consultants (including Data Sheet)

Section 3 - Technical Proposal - Standard Forms

Section 4 - Financial Proposal - Standard Forms

Section 5 - Terms of Reference

Section 6 - Standard Contract Document

6. The bidders shall submit their proposal, eligibility and qualification details, Certificates as mentioned in section etc., in the online standard formats given in e-Procurement web site (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>) at the respective stage only.
7. The bidders should ensure that all the required documents as mentioned in the tender document are submitted/ uploaded along with the bid and in the prescribed format only. The bidder shall upload the scanned copies of all the relevant certificates, documents etc., in support of their eligibility criteria / technical bids and other certificate /documents in the e-Procurement web site (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>). **This will be bidder's sole responsibility to ensure that all required documents have been uploaded and all uploaded documents, when downloaded must be legible/readable failing which their bid will be rejected. Hence it is advised that all the documents should be properly scanned and uploaded.**
8. BSDM reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals, and to annul the selection process and reject all proposals at any time prior to the award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability or any obligation in any form to the affected firms on any grounds.

Yours sincerely,

Additional Chief Secretary,
Department of Labour Resources,
Government of Bihar, -cum-
Chief Executive Officer, Bihar Skill Development Mission.

Section 2- INSTRUCTIONS TO CONSULTANTS

1. INTRODUCTION

General

- 1.1 Bihar Skill Development Mission (BSDM), Govt. of Bihar (GoB), Patna, Bihar, INDIA will select a consulting firm /organization (the Consultant) in accordance with the method of selection specified in the Data Sheet.
- 1.2 Consultants should familiarize themselves with BSDM's functions, local conditions and take them into account in preparing their Proposals. To obtain first-hand information on the assignment and local conditions, Consultants are encouraged to visit the project site.
- 1.3 Consultants shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of their Proposals. Costs might include site visit; collection of information; and, if selected, attendance at contract negotiations etc.
- 1.4 The Bihar Skill Development Mission is not bound to accept any Proposal and reserves the right to annul the selection process at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to the Consultants.
- 1.5 In preparing their Proposals, Consultants are expected to examine in detail the documents comprising the RFP. Material deficiencies in providing the information requested may result in rejection of a Proposal.

1.6 Conflict of Interest

BSDM requires that Consultants provide professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold the Client's interests paramount, avoid conflicts with other assignments or their own corporate interests and act without any consideration for future work. Consultants shall not be recruited for any assignment that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of not being able to carry out the assignment in the best interest of the BSDM. Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, Consultants, and any of their associates shall be considered to have a conflict of interest and shall not be selected under any of the circumstances set forth below:

- (i) If a Consultant combines the function of consulting with those of contracting and/or supply of equipment; or
- (ii) If a Consultant is associated with or affiliated to a contractor or manufacturer; or
- (iii) If there is a conflict among consulting assignments, the Consultant (including its personnel and sub-consultants) and any subsidiaries or entities controlled by such Consultant shall not be recruited for the relevant assignment. The duties of the Consultant depend on the circumstances of each case. While continuity of consulting services may be appropriate in particular situations if no conflict exist, a Consultant cannot be recruited to carry out an assignment that, by its nature, will result in conflict with another assignment of such Consultant. For example, a Consultant engaged to prepare engineering design for an infrastructure project shall not be recruited to prepare an independent environmental assessment for the same project; similarly, a Consultant assisting a client in privatization of public assets shall not purchase, nor advise purchasers of, such assets or a Consultant hired to prepare terms of reference for an assignment shall not be recruited for the assignment in question.

1.7 Fraud and Corruption

- (i) The Bihar Skill Development Mission requires that consultants observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. In such pursuance of this policy, The Bihar Skill Development Mission defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - (a) "corrupt practice" means behavior on the part of officials in the public or private sectors by which they improperly and unlawfully enrich themselves and/or those close to them, or induce others to do so, by misusing the position in which they are placed, and it includes the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of any such official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
 - (b) "fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the borrower, and includes collusive

practices among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels and to deprive the borrower of the benefits of free and open competition).

- (ii) will reject a Proposal for award if it determines that the bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract; and
- (iii) will declare a firm ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing, any BIHAR SKILL DEVELOPMENT MISSION contract.

1.8 Proposal:

If a Consultant (including a partner in any Joint Venture) submits or participates in more than one proposal, such proposals shall be disqualified.

1.9 Proposal Validity

The Data Sheet indicates how long the Consultants' Proposals must remain valid after the submission date. During this period, the Consultants shall maintain the availability of experts nominated in the Proposal. The Client will make its best effort to complete negotiations within this period. In case of need, the Client may request Consultants to extend the validity period of their Proposals. Consultants have the right to refuse to extend the validity period of their Proposals.

1.10 Participation of Government Employees

No current government employee shall be deployed by the consultant without the prior written approval by the appropriate authority.

1.11 Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit)

- a. Please refer details in the Tender Notice.
- b. The Employer shall reject any bid not accompanied by appropriate bid security, as non-responsive.
- c. The bid security of the successful Bidder shall be returned as promptly as possible once the selected bidder has signed the Contract and furnished the required performance security.
- d. Bid securities of the unsuccessful bidders shall be returned to them at the earliest after expiry of the final bid validity and latest on or before the 30th day after the award of the contract to successful bidder.
- e. The bid security may be forfeited:
 - (a) If a Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity.
 - (b) if the successful Bidder fails to:
 - (i) sign the Contract within required time frame;
 - (ii) Furnish a performance security.

2. AMENDMENTS TO RFP DOCUMENTS

- 2.1 At any time before the submission of Proposals, the Client may, on its own initiative, amend the RFP by issuing an addendum. The addendum shall be published on respective website of BSDM and e-proc and will be binding on all bidders. To give Consultants reasonable time in which to take an amendment into account in their Proposals, the Client may at its discretion, if the amendment is substantial, extend the deadline for the RFP submission.

3. PREPARATION OF THE PROPOSAL

- 3.1 The Proposal has to be submitted through online mode on <https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in> containing following cover stage-**

- A) Technical Bid Open Stage
- B) Cost Bid Open Stage

The bidders shall submit their eligibility and qualification details, Certificates as mentioned in section etc., in the online standard formats given in e-Procurement web site (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>) at the respective stage only.

- 3.2** The bidders should ensure that all the required documents as mentioned in the tender document are submitted/ uploaded along with the bid and in the prescribed format only. The bidder shall upload the scanned copies of all the relevant certificates, documents etc., in support of their eligibility criteria / technical bids and other certificate /documents in the

e-Procurement web site (<https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in>). **This will be bidder's sole responsibility to ensure that all required documents have been uploaded and all uploaded documents, when downloaded must be legible/readable failing which their bid will be rejected. Hence it is advised that all the documents should be properly scanned and uploaded. Care should be taken that no Financial Proposal or scan thereof should be uploaded with Technical proposal documents else the bid will be outright rejected.**

- 3.3** The bidder shall digitally sign on the supporting statements, documents, certificates, uploaded by him, owning responsibility for their correctness/authenticity. The bidder shall attach all the required documents for the specific tender after uploading the same during the bid submission as per the tender notice and bid document.
- 3.4** The consultants must upload all evidences to support the bid eligibility under Technical Bid. If the bid security, cost of RFP document, and evidences supporting bid eligibility are found proper then only technical and financial proposals will be entertained.
- 3.5** The Proposal, as well as all related correspondence exchanged by the Consultants and the Client, shall be in English. All reports prepared by the contracted Consultant shall also be in English.
- 3.6** The Technical Proposal should clearly demonstrate the Consultant's understanding of the assignment requirements and capability and approach for carrying out the tasks set forth in the TOR through the nominated experts.

4. THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

General

- 4.1 The Technical Proposal shall not include any information related to financial proposal and any Technical Proposals containing information related to financial proposal shall be declared non-responsive.

Technical Proposal Format

- 4.2** (i) The consultant shall submit technical proposal as per the data sheet which indicates the format of the Technical Proposal to be used for the assignment. Submission of the wrong type of Technical Proposal may result in the Proposal being deemed non-responsive.
- (ii) The following table summarizes the content and maximum number of pages permitted to be uploaded for each type of Proposal. A page is considered to be one printed side of A4 size paper. **All such pages must be properly scanned and uploaded as part of technical proposal.**

Proposal Type / Content	Full Technical Proposal (FTP)	Simplified Technical Proposal (STP)	Bio-data Technical Proposal (BTP)
Experience of the firm	(i) Maximum two (2) pages introducing the firm and associate firm(s) background and general experience (Form TECH-2A). (ii) Maximum of twenty (20) pages of relevant completed projects in the format of Form TECH-2B illustrating firm and associate(s) firm's relevant experience. No promotional material should be included.	NA	NA
General approach and methodology, work plan for understanding of the Project	Maximum Twenty Five (25) pages inclusive of charts and diagrams (Form TECH-4).	NA	NA
Personnel schedule	Form TECH-7	NA	NA
Comments on terms of reference	no limit, but to be concise and to the point (Form TECH-3A).	NA	NA

Proposal Type / Content	Full Technical Proposal (FTP)	Simplified Technical Proposal (STP)	Bio-data Technical Proposal (BTP)
Experts' CVs	maximum of five (5) pages for each expert's CV using Form TECH-6.	NA	NA
Counterpart staff and facility requirements	maximum of two (2) pages (Form TECH-3B).	NA	NA
List of Proposed Expert Team and Summary of CV Particulars	Form TECH-5	NA	NA

Note: The above page limits exclude all supporting documents, like audited financial statements, certificates of registration, certificates from employers showing completed work or on-going work, etc.

Technical Proposal Content

- (i) The Technical Proposal shall contain information indicated in the following paragraphs from (i) to (xiii) using the Standard Technical Proposal Forms (Form TECH-1 to Form TECH-7).
- (ii) **A brief description of the organization and outline of recent experience of the consultant on assignments of a similar nature is required in prescribed form. For each assignment, the outline should indicate *inter-alia*, the assignment, contract amount and the consultant's involvement. Information should be provided only for those assignments for which the consultant was legally contracted by the client as a corporate entity or as one of the major participating consulting firms within an association (Joint venture). In case the assignment was carried out in joint venture then the JV agreement is to be submitted. Assignments completed by individual experts working privately or through other consulting firms cannot be claimed as the experience of the Consultant, but can be claimed by the individuals themselves in their CVs. Consultants should be prepared to substantiate the claimed experience if so requested by the Client.**
- (iii) A concise, complete, and logical description of how the Consultant's team will carry out the services to meet all requirements of the TOR.
- (iv) A work plan showing in graphical format (bar chart) the timing of major activities, anticipated coordination meetings, and deliverables such as reports required under the TOR.
- (v) An organization chart indicating relationships amongst the Consultant and any Associate(s), the Client, and other parties or stakeholders, if any, involved in the assignment.
- (vi) Comments, if any, on the TOR to improve performance in carrying out the assignment. Innovativeness will be appreciated, including workable suggestions that could improve the quality/effectiveness of the assignment. In this regard, unless the Consultant clearly states otherwise, it will be assumed by the Client that work required to implement any such improvements, are included in the inputs shown on the Consultant's Staffing Schedule.
- (vii) **The Technical Proposal shall not include information related to financial proposal. Technical Proposals containing information related to financial proposal shall be declared non-responsive.**

Personnel

- (viii) The name, age, background employment record, and professional experience of each nominated expert, with particular reference to the type of experience required for the services should be presented in the prescribed CV format.
- (ix) Only one CV has to be submitted for each position.
- (x) Higher rating will be given to nominated experts from the consulting firm who are regular full-time employees. The Client defines a regular full-time employee to be a person who has been employed continuously by the Consultant for more than twelve (12) months prior to the date of submission of the Proposal.
- (xi) The Client requires that each expert confirm that the content of his/her curriculum vitae (CV) is correct and the

experts themselves should sign the certification of the CV. Note that the need to provide address and fax/e-mail details of experts in the CVs of the experts is not considered mandatory.

(xii) A zero rating will be given to a nominated expert if the expert has not signed the CV.

5. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

- 5.1 As per on-line format under e-proc portal.
- 5.2 No proposed schedule of payments should be included in Consultants' Financial Proposals.
- 5.3 Consultants shall quote the rates in Indian National Rupees only.
- 5.4 Form FIN-2 is an acknowledgement that, in preparation and submission of the Technical and Financial Proposals, Consultants have:
 - (i) Not taken any action which is or constitutes a corrupt or fraudulent practice; and
 - (ii) Agreed to allow the Client, at their option, to inspect and audit all accounts, documents, and records relating to the Consultant's Proposal and to the performance of the ensuring Consultant's Contract.
- 5.5 The rates to be quoted shall be in the format given in Data Sheet and it shall include all costs / expenses by whatever name called and statutory taxes excluding GST. The Client shall pay GST as applicable on prevailing rates.

6. SUBMISSION, RECEIPT AND OPENING OF PROPOSALS

6.1 As per timelines mentioned in the notice and through e-procurement only. No hard copy submission except EMD as Demand Draft at the BSDM office.

7. PROPOSAL EVALUATION

General

- 7.1 From the time the Proposals are opened to the time the contract is awarded, the Consultant should not contact the Client on any matter related to its Technical and/or Financial Proposal. Any effort by a Consultant to influence the Client in examination, evaluation, ranking of Proposals or recommendation for award of contract may result in rejection of the Consultant's Proposal.

Evaluation of Technical Proposals

- 7.2 The eligibility criteria will be first evaluated as defined in Notice Inviting Request for Proposals for each bidder. Detailed technical evaluation will be taken up in respect of only those bidders, who meet with the prescribed eligibility criteria.
- 7.3 The Client's 'Bid Evaluation Committee' will be responsible for evaluation and ranking of Proposals received.
- 7.4 The Bid Evaluation Committee evaluates and ranks the Technical Proposals on the basis of Proposal's responsiveness to the TOR using the evaluation criteria and points system specified in the Data Sheet. Each Technical Proposal will receive a technical score. A Proposal shall be rejected if it does not achieve the minimum technical mark of 750 from the maximum of 1000 points.
- 7.5 A Technical Proposal may not be considered for evaluation in any of the following cases:
 - (i) the Consultant that submitted the Proposal was found not to be legally incorporated or established in India and do not have its Head office in Patna, Bihar; or
 - (ii) the Technical Proposal was submitted in the wrong format;
 - (iii) the Technical Proposal included details of costs of the services; or
 - (iv) It has failed to meet any of the mandatory pre-requisite criteria as per Notice inviting RFP.
- 7.6 After the technical evaluation is completed, the Client shall notify Consultants whose Proposals did not meet the minimum qualifying technical mark or Consultants whose Technical Proposals were considered non-responsive to the RFP requirements. The Client shall simultaneously proceed for opening of Financial Proposals of successful bidders at technical stage and date and time for opening of financial bid will be intimated. (Consultants' attendance at the opening of Financial Proposals is not required/optional as it will be done through e-proc).

8. OPENING AND EVALUATION OF FINANCIAL PROPOSALS

Opening of Financial Proposals will be done through e-proc.

Evaluation of Financial Proposals

8.1 Under LCS financial proposals shall be opened;

8.2 Consultants' attendance at the opening of Financial Proposals is not required/optional as it will be done through e-proc.

8.3 The evaluation committee will review the detailed content of each Financial Proposal. During the review of Financial Proposals, the Committee and any Client personnel and others involved in the evaluation process, will not be permitted to seek clarification or additional information from any Consultant, who has submitted a Financial Proposal. Financial Proposals will be reviewed to ensure that these are:

- (i) complete, to see if all items of the corresponding Accounting Proposal are priced; if not, for material omissions, the Client will price them by application of the highest unit cost and quantity of the omitted item as provided in the other Financial Proposals and add their cost to the offered price, and correct any arithmetical errors.
- (ii) computational errors if there are errors these will be corrected;

8.4 The detailed contents of each Financial Proposal will be subsequently reviewed by the Client.

8.5 The evaluated total price (ETP) for each Financial Proposal will be determined.

8.6 When the LCS method is used: the Client will select the lowest Financial Proposal of a Consultant whose Technical Proposal has qualified.

9. Contract Negotiations and Award of Contract:

9.1 The Consultant who is invited for contract negotiations will, as a pre-requisite for attendance at the negotiations, confirm availability of all experts named in its proposal except in the cases of absence on account of death or medical incapacity. Failure in satisfying such requirements may result in the Client proceeding to initiate the negotiation process with the next-ranked Consultant. Representatives conducting negotiations on behalf of the Consultant must have written authority to negotiate and conclude the Contract

9.2 The selected Consultant is expected to commence the Assignment on the date and at the location specified in the Data Sheet.

10. Performance Security:

The consultant will furnish within 15 days of the issue of Communication of the Final Selection to the Consultant, an Account Payee Demand Draft/ Fixed Deposit Receipt/ Unconditional Bank Guarantee (in prescribed format)/ in favour of Bihar Skill Development Mission, payable/en-cashable at **Patna**, from scheduled Bank in India for an amount equivalent to **5%** (Five percent) of the total contract value towards Performance Security valid for a period of **three(3) months** beyond the stipulated date of completion of services. The Bank Guarantee will be released after three months and rectification of errors, if any, found during appraisal/approval of reports by competent authorities whichever is later.

Section 2: Data Sheet to Instruction to Consultants

Paragraph Reference	
	<p>Name of the Client: Bihar Skill Development Mission</p> <p>Client's Representative: Chief Executive Officer, Bihar Skill Development Mission</p> <p>Method of selection: Least Cost Method</p>
	<p>Financial Proposal to be submitted together with Technical Proposal: As per on-line e-proc methods.</p> <p>Name of the assignment is: Financial Management and Accounting Support Consultants in Bihar Skill Development Mission ,Govt, of Bihar</p> <p>More details on the services are provided in the Terms of Reference (ToR) under Section 5.</p>
	<p><u>Pre Proposal Meeting: Date as mentioned under NOTICE INVITIG e-TENDER</u></p>
	<p>The Client will provide the following inputs and facilities: Mentioned in Terms of Reference (ToR)</p>
	<p>Proposals must remain valid for 180 days after the submission date.</p>
	<p>The Bid Security (refundable) amount is as under in prescribed format:- Rs 1,00,000.00 (Rupees One Lac only) in the Form Demand draft.</p>
4.2 (i)	<p>The format of the Technical Proposal to be submitted is: Full Technical Proposal (FTP)</p>
	<p>Chief Executive Officer does not permit Association Arrangements and Joint Ventures with other Consultancy firms for this assignment.</p>
5.4	<p>Under this contract the Consultant's payments Input Based as mentioned in Terms of Reference (ToR).</p> <p>The Consultant shall quote Consultancy Charges for satisfactory performance of the services under the contract in terms of Monthly Fees in Indian Rupees only.</p> <p>It is expected that consultant has quoted its fee considering all requirements for satisfactory performance of the services included in ToR. If the consultant has not considered any component for performance of the services, no extra payment shall be made on this account except GST at prevailing rates.</p>
5.6	<p>Amounts payable by the Client to the Consultant under the contract shall be subjected to local taxes if any. The Client will pay GST on prevailing rates as applicable on the consultancy charges.</p>
7.5	<p>Technical Proposals shall be evaluated on the basis of following pre-identified criteria: (a) Criteria that would be considered for selection of preferred bidder would be as follows:</p>

Paragraph Reference			
	Sl. No	Criteria	Score Allocated
	1	Firms General Experience & Experience in Similar Assignments	300
	2	Approach & Methodology for proposed assignment	300
	3	Qualification and Experience of Team Leader & Other Key Professional	400
	Total Score		1000
	<p>(b) The members of the Tender Committee will carry out the evaluation of proposals on the basis of their responsiveness to the Terms of Reference, applying the evaluation criteria. Each responsive proposal will be given a Technical Score.</p> <p>(c) Narrative Evaluation Criteria is attached at Appendix-I to Data Sheet</p>		
	Expected time for opening of Financial Proposals: within one week of opening of Bid.		
	<p>When the LCS method is used: the Client will select the lowest Financial Proposal of a Consultant whose Accounting Proposal has qualified.</p> <p>Financial Proposal of Only those consultant will be open whose Accounting Proposal will secure 750 marks.</p>		
	Expected time for contract negotiations (if any) : within one week of opening of financial Bid.		
	Expected time for commencement of consulting services: within two week of opening of financial Bid.		
Duration of Assignment	The duration of the assignment shall be Thirty Six Months (36). But it may be further extended for three years with the approval of competent authority on the basis of the performance.		
Performance Guarantee	The Performance guarantee will be 5% of the Contract Value.		

Appendix-I to Data Sheet

NARRATIVE EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL (FTP)

I. FIRM'S GENERAL EXPERIENCE AND EXPERIENCE IN SIMILAR ASSIGNMENTS (300 Points)

- A. General Experience of Firm (90 points) Criteria:** The extent and depth of experience of the firm in Financial Management Consultancy/ Double Entry Accounting Systems etc. in the related sector those are similar to the requirement of the TOR in terms of Accounting parameters, quantum of work and required inputs and financial parameters.

Factors to consider: Each reference project included in the Technical proposal will be judged against the criteria established. Higher scores will be given to a firm, which has more experiences for projects with relevant nature. A consultant who has primary responsibility (i.e. the lead consultant) will be given a score higher than a consultant whose responsibility was secondary (i.e. associate consultant).

- B. Experience in Similar Geographical Areas (90 points)**

Criteria: Extent of experience in similar geographical region taking in consideration elements such as population size, economic development stage and possibly other social factors.

Factors to consider: Higher scores will be given to a firm with better regional experiences.

- C. Experience in Similar Projects: Experience in Financial Management & Accounting and Building Capacity of the Accounting Staffs of Government Undertakings (120 points) Criteria:**

The extent and depth of experience of the firm and its associates in conversion/ preparation of accounts based on DEAS, implementation of Accounting and Financial Management System and capacity –building of Govt and/or public sector organisations that are similar to the requirement of the TOR in terms of Accounting parameters, quantum of work and required inputs and financial parameters.

Factors to consider: Each reference project included in the Accounting proposal will be judged against the criteria established. Higher scores will be given to a firm, which has more experiences for projects with relevant nature. A consultant who has primary responsibility (i.e. the lead consultant) will be given a score higher than a consultant whose responsibility was secondary (i.e. associate consultant).

II. APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY (300 Points)

- A. Understanding of Objectives (30 points)**

Criteria: General understanding of the project requirements; coverage of principal components as requested in TOR; and site visit assessment.

Factors to consider: The three following aspects will be considered:

General understanding	40%
Components coverage	40%
Site visit	20%

Maximum points will be given if all the three aspects are positively judged.

- B. Quality of Methodology (90 points)**

Criteria: The degree to which the presented written methodology/approach addresses the requirements of the TOR.

Factors to consider: Assessment of the inter-relationship of work program and methodology write-up. A consistent relationship is to be given maximum points.

- C. Innovativeness/Comments on Terms of Reference (30 points)**

Criteria: Suggestions, which could improve the quality of the project.

Factors to consider: Points will be given for workable suggestions proposed. No innovativeness will be given zero points.

- D. Work Program (75 points)**

Criteria: A work program showing graphical presentation of activities (bar chart) and an organization chart

Factors to consider: Work program will be assessed on logical sequence of events. The organization chart is to be assessed on the consultant's understanding of relationship between the consultant and the Bihar Skill Development Mission.

E. Personnel Schedule (45 points)

Criteria: Relationship between required person-months and proposed work program.

Factors to consider: The Personnel Schedule will be assessed based on phasing of activities of the work program and allocation and timing of expert’s individual inputs. Total requirements close to estimated work requirements will be assessed as well as the appropriateness of time allocated to the task to be performed in terms of individual expertise. The balance between field time and home office time and the proposed number of trips will be checked.

F. Counterpart Personnel and Facilities (15 points) Criteria: Requirement for counterpart personnel, office space, transportation, equipment and services.

G. Factors to consider: Reasonableness and completeness of requirements and understanding of local conditions will be assessed.

H. Proposal Presentation (15 points) Criteria: Clarity and ease of assessment of the entire proposal (including material presentation).

Factors to consider If all items requested in the invitation letter are covered in a clear and easily understandable form and the proposal is assembled in a professional manner, maximum points will be given.

III. PERSONNEL (400 Points)

Expertise

Criteria: Separate assessment of each expert listed in the Request for Proposal. Each expert is to be evaluated against the tasks assigned in accordance with four main criteria:

(i) General experience such as academic qualification and the no. of years of related experience: (30%)

(ii) Project related experience based on the number of relevant projects implemented: (40%)

(iii) Experience in similar Projects: 40%;

DETAILED MARKING SCHEME FOR TECHNICAL EVALUATION

SI No.	Criteria	Weightage	Maximum Marks
1	Firms General Experience & Experience in Similar Assignments	100%	300
A	General Experience of Firm	30%	90
	Less than 1 Projects		0
	Less than 2 Projects		30
	Two or more than two but less than 5 Projects		60
	5 or more than 5 but less than 10 Projects		75
	10 or more than 10 Projects		90
B	Experience in Similar Geographical Areas	30%	90
	No Similar Projects		0
	Less than 2 Similar Projects		45
	Two or more than two but less than 5 Similar Projects		60
	5 or more than 5 Similar Projects		90
C	Experience in Similar Projects: Experience in Accounting and Financial Management of Government Undertaking /Corporation , and Capacity-building of Staff " EVALUATE AS PER THE FOLLOWING SUB-CRITERIA	40%	120
	No experience in similar projects		0
	Experience in Accounting and Financial Management of Government Undertaking		30

	/Corporation , and Capacity-building of Staff (One Govt Under taking)		
	Experience in Accounting and Financial Management of Government Undertaking /Corporation , and Capacity-building of Staff (Two Govt Under taking)		60
	Experience in Accounting and Financial Management of Government Undertaking /Corporation , and Capacity-building of Staff (Three Govt Under taking)		120
2	Approach & Methodology for proposed assignment	100%	300
A	Understanding of Objectives	10%	30
	General Understanding (45%)		12
	Components coverage (45%)		12
	Site visit (10%)		6
B	Quality of Methodology	30%	90
C	Innovativeness/Comments on Terms of Reference	10%	30
D	Work Program	25%	75
E	Personnel Schedule	15%	45
F	Counterpart Personnel and Facilities	5%	15
G	Proposal Presentation	5%	15
3	Qualification and Experience of Team Leader & Other Key	100%	400
A	Team Leader		300
(i)	Leadership Experience		100
	1 To 2 Projects		50
	3 to 5 Projects		75
	More than 5 Projects		100
(ii)	Accounting & Finance Specialist Experience	100%	200
	General experience such as academic qualification and the number of years of experience in Financial Management and Accounting of Govt. undertakings	20%	40
	Project related experience based on the number of relevant projects implemented related to Financial Management and Accounting of Govt. undertakings	60%	120
	Experience in Project Related to Bihar	10%	20
	For assessing full time permanent employment the personnel deployed who has worked for the current employer on a regular/permanent full-time basis continuously for the last 12 months	10%	20
B	CO Team Leader and Accounting Specialist		100
	General experience such as academic qualification and the number of years of experience in Financial Management and Accounting of Govt. undertakings	20	20
	Project related experience based on the number of relevant projects implemented related to Financial Management and Accounting of Govt. undertakings	60	60
	Experience in Project Related to Bihar	20	20

FORM TECH-1: TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

[Location, Date]

To:

The Chief Executive Officer
Bihar Skill Development Mission,

Dear Sir/Madam:

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consulting services for [Insert title of assignment] in accordance with your Request for Proposal dated [Insert Date] and our Proposal. We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal, and a Financial Proposal.

We are submitting our Proposal in individual capacity without entering in association with/as a Joint Venture. We hereby declare that all the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and accept that any misinterpretation contained in it may lead to our disqualification.

If negotiations are held during the period of validity of the Proposal, i.e., before the date indicated in the Data Sheet, we undertake to negotiate on the basis of the proposed personnel. Our Proposal is binding upon us and subject to the modifications resulting from Contract negotiations.

We undertake, if our Proposal is accepted, to initiate the consulting services related to the assignment not later than the date indicated in the Data Sheet.

We understand you are not bound to accept any Proposal you receive.

We remain,

Yours sincerely,

Authorized Signature [In full and initials]: _

Name and Title of Signatory: _____

Name of Firm: _

Address: _____

FORMTECH-2: CONSULTANT'S ORGANIZATION AND EXPERIENCE**A - Consultant's Organization**

[Provide here a brief (two pages) description of the background and organization of the Consultant.]

B - Consultant's Experience [For Full Technical Proposals Only]

[The following information should be provided in the format below for each reference assignment for which your firm, either individually as a corporate entity or as one of the major companies within a consortium, was legally contracted by the Employer stated below.]

Assignment name:	Approx. value of the contract (in current Rs):
Country: Location within country:	Duration of assignment (months):
Name of Client:	Total No of person-months of the assignment:
Address:	Approx. value of the services provided by your firm under the contract
Start date (month/year): Completion date (month/year):	No of professional person-months provided by the joint venture partners or the Sub-Consultants:
Name of joint venture partner or sub-Consultants, if any:	
Name of senior regular full time employees of your firm involved and functions performed (indicate most significant profiles such as Secretary/Coordinator, Team Leader):	
Narrative description of Project:	
Description of actual services* provided in the assignment:	

*(Certificate from Employer regarding experience should be furnished)

Firm's Name: _

Signature of Authorized Representative:

Form TECH-3: Comments and Suggestions on the Terms of Reference and on Counterpart Staff and Facilities to be Provided by the Client

A - On the Terms of Reference [For Full Technical Proposals Only]

[Present and justify here any modifications or improvement to the Terms of Reference you are proposing to improve performance in carrying out the assignment (such as deleting some activity you consider unnecessary, or adding others, or proposing a different phasing of the activities). Such suggestions should be concise and to the point, and incorporated in your Proposal.]

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- ..

B – On Counterpart Staff and Facilities [For Full Technical Proposals Only]

[Comment here on counterpart staff and facilities to be provided by the Client according to Clause Reference 1.5 of the Data Sheet including: administrative support, office space, local transportation, equipment, data, etc.]

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Form TECH-4: Description of Approach, Methodology and Work Plan for Performing the Assignment [As per the details mentioned in the NARRATIVE EVALUATION CRITERIA]

Accounting Approach and Methodology,

Work Plan, and

Organization and Personnel,

a) Accounting Approach and Methodology. *In this chapter you should explain your understanding of the objectives of the assignment, approach to the services, methodology for carrying out the activities and obtaining the expected output, and the degree of detail of such output. You should highlight the problems being addressed and their importance, and explain the Accounting approach you would adopt to address them. You should also explain the methodologies you propose to adopt and highlight the compatibility of those methodologies with the proposed approach.*

b) Work Plan. *In this chapter you should propose the main activities of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the Client), and delivery dates of the reports. The proposed work plan should be consistent with the Accounting approach and methodology, showing understanding of the TOR and ability to translate them into a feasible working plan. A list of the final documents, including reports, drawings, and tables to be delivered as final output, should be included here. The work plan should be consistent with the Work Schedule of Form TECH-7.*

c) Organization and Personnel. *In this chapter you should propose the structure and composition of your team. You should list the main disciplines of the assignment, the key expert responsible, and proposed Accounting and support personnel. You shall also specify if you will be the lead firm in a joint venture or in an association with Sub-Consultants. For joint ventures, you must attach a copy of the joint venture agreement.]*

FORM TECH-4: TEAM COMPOSITION, TASK ASSIGNMENTS AND SUMMARY OF CV INCORMATION

(The team will consist of one Team Leader, one Co-Team Leader and seven Accountants. Out of seven accountants, four accountants must be either CA Intermediate/ ICWA Intermediate.)

Team Leader and Co Team Leader:

Surname, First Name	Firm Acronym	Area of Expertise	Position Assigned	Task Assigned	Employment Status with Firm (full-time/ other)	Education/ Degree (Year / Institution)	No. of years of relevant project experience	CV signature (by expert/by other)

Support Staff:

SI No	Surname, Name	Position	Qualification	Task Assignment

*Add row

FORMTECH-5: CURRICULUM VITAE (CV) FOR PROPOSED EXPERTS (TEAM LEADER AND CO TEAM LEADER)

[Summary of CV: Furnish a summary of the above CV. The information in the summary shall be precise and accurate. The information in the summary will have bearing on the evaluation of the CV]

1. Proposed Position [only one candidate shall be nominated for each position]: ___
2. Name of Firm [Insert name of firm proposing the expert]: ___
3. Name of Expert [Insert full name]: _____
4. Date of Birth: ___(Please furnish proof of age) Citizenship: _
5. Education [Indicate college/university and other specialized education of expert, giving names of institutions, degrees obtained, and dates of obtainment]:
6. Membership of Professional Associations: _
7. Other Training [Indicate significant training since degrees under 5 - Education were obtained]:
8. Publication: [List of details of major Accounting reports/papers published in recognized national and international journals]
9. Languages [For each language indicate proficiency: good, fair, or poor in speaking, reading, and writing]: ___
10. Employment Record [Starting with present position, list in reversed order, every employment held. List all positions held by staff member since graduation, giving dates, names of employing organization, title of positions held and location of assignments. For experience period of specific assignment must be clearly mentioned, also give Employer references, where appropriate.]:
 From [Year]: ___ To [Year]: ____
 Employer: _____
 Positions held: _

<p>10. Detailed Tasks Assigned [List all tasks to be performed under this assignment]</p>	<p>11. Work Undertaken that Best Illustrates Capability to Handle the Tasks Assigned [Among the assignments in which the expert has been involved, indicate the following information for those assignments that best illustrate the expert's capability to handle the tasks listed under point 11.]</p> <p>Name of assignment or project: ___</p> <p>Year: __</p> <p>Location: _____</p> <p>Client: _</p> <p>Main project features: ___</p> <p>Positions held: __</p> <p>Activities performed: ___</p>
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12. Certification:
 I, the undersigned, certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that:
 - (i) This CV correctly describes my qualifications and my experience.
 - (ii) I am not employed by the Executing /Implementing Agency.
 - [(iii) I am/I am not in regular full-time employment with the Consultant/Sub-Consultant.]
 - (iv) In the absence of medical incapacity, I will undertake this assignment for the duration and in terms of the inputs specified for me in the Personnel Schedule in Form TECH-6 provided team mobilization takes place within the validity of this proposal or any agreed extension thereof.
 - (v) I am willing to work on the project and I will be available for entire duration of the project assignment and I will not engage myself in any other assignment during the currency of this assignment on the project
 - (vi) I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this bio-data correctly describes myself my qualification and my experience I am committed to undertake the assignment within the validity of Proposal.

(vi) I did not write the terms of reference for this consulting services assignment.

I understand that any willful misstatement described herein may lead to my disqualification or dismissal, if engaged.

Date: *[Day/Month/Year]*

*[Signature of expert or authorized representative of the firm]*¹

Full name of authorized representative: _____

Note: This CV can be signed by a senior representative of the Consultant provided that if the Consultant's proposal is ranked first, a copy of the CV signed by the expert and/or specialist must be submitted to the Client prior to the commencement of contract negotiations.

FORMTECH-6: PERSONNEL SCHEDULE¹

N°	Name of Expert /Position	Professional Expert input (in the form of a bar chart) ²													Total person-weeks input				
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	n	Home	Field ³	Total		
Expert																			
1		[Home]																	
		[Field]																	
2																			
3																			
n																			
Subtotal																			
Support staff																			
1		[Home]																	
		[Field]																	
2																			
n																			
Subtotal																			
Total																			

1 Months are counted from the start of the assignment. For each expert indicate separately the input for home and field work.

2 Field work means work carried out at a place other than the expert's home office; i.e. normal place of business.

 Full time input

 Part time input

FORMTECH-7: WORK SCHEDULE

N°	Activity ¹	Months ²			
		1	2	3	N
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

- 1 Indicate all main activities of the assignment, including delivery of reports/ deliverables as per Instruction to Bidders and Scope of Work (e.g.: inception, Monthly, Quarterly interim, and final reports), and other benchmarks such as Client approvals. For phased assignments indicate activities, delivery of reports, and benchmarks separately for each phase.
- 2 Duration of activities shall be indicated in the form of a bar chart.
- 3 ***The bidder will have to co-work with the current FMASC team member for one-month transition period and has to submit inception report accordingly. The modalities for smooth transition of accounting records and processes between current FMASC team and the selected bidder hereunder will be decided in the kickoff meeting and as per instruction of CEO, BSDM.***

Annexure-I

(Affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/- by Authorized Representative of the applicant with his / her dated signature and enterprise seal)

AFFIDAVIT

1. I/We do hereby certify that all the statements made in our bids in response to the RFP Reference No..... Dated..... and in the required attachments are true, correct and complete. I / we, am / are well aware of the fact that furnishing of any false information / fabricated document would lead to rejection of my bid at any stage besides liabilities towards prosecution under appropriate law.
2. I/We, on behalf of (Name of the Agency), with its registered office at do hereby declare that the above-mentioned bidder is not under a declaration of ineligibility for corrupt and fraudulent practises or for any other reason, whatsoever and has not been blacklisted / debarred by the Government of India or any of its agencies, including public enterprises and or by any State Government or any of its agencies.
3. I/We on behalf of (Name of the Agency) do hereby affirm and undertake that we have carefully read and understood the whole tender documents and will unconditionally abide by all the terms and conditions as given in the above mentioned RFP.

For and on behalf of:

Signature:

Name:

Designation:

Date:

(Organization Seal)

Annexure-II

(Power of Attorney in favour of Authorized Representative)

(Note: To be executed on a non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/- or more)

Know all men by these presents that We.....
..... (name of the enterprise and address of the registered office do hereby irrevocably constitute,
nominate, appoint and authorize Mr/ Ms (name)
.....son / daughter / wife of
.....and presently residing at
.....who is presently employed with us and holding the position
of..... as our true and lawful attorney (hereinafter referred to as the "Attorney") to do in our name
and on our behalf, all such acts, deeds and things including to enter into negotiation, as are necessary or required in
connection with or incidental to submission of our Bid for the RFP Reference
No..... Dated.....

The attorney is fully authorized for providing information/ responses to the tendering authority, representing us in all
matters before the tendering authority including negotiations with the tendering authority, signing and execution of all
affidavits, undertakings and agreements consequent to acceptance of our bid, and generally dealing with the tendering
authority in all matters in connection with or relating to or arising out of our bid for the said tender.

AND we hereby agree to ratify and confirm and do hereby ratify and confirm all acts, deeds and things done or caused to
be done by our said Attorney pursuant to and in exercise of the powers conferred by this Power of Attorney and that all
acts, deeds and things done by our said Attorney in exercise of the powers hereby conferred shall and shall always be
deemed to have been done by us.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE,,
THE ABOVE NAMED PRINCIPAL HAVE EXECUTED THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY ON THISDAY
OF

For

{ Signature, name, designation and address }

Accepted

.....
(Signature)

(Name, Title and Address of the Attorney)

Witnesses: 1.
2.

SECTION 4: FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

(For reference only. Not to be filled/scanned)

FORM FIN-2A: SUMMARY BY COSTS

Project Title: Appointment of Financial Management & Accounting Support Consultant in Bihar Skill Development Mission Society, GOB ,Bihar

SNo	Description of Services	Consultancy Fee in	
		(In figures)	(In words)
[A]	Consultancy fee for providing Consultancy as Financial Management & Accounting Support Consultant in Bihar Skill Development Mission Society ,Bihar as per Terms of Reference (ToR) complete to the satisfaction of Client. [As per Form 2B]	Not fill here	Not fill here
[B]	Add GST as per prevailing rates	Not fill here	Not fill here
[C]	Total Consultancy fee including Service Tax [A]+[B]	Not fill here	Not fill here

Note:

- (i) ***While quoting financial offers, applicant firms are requested to REFER Data Sheet to Instruction to Consultants .***
- (ii) ***During Evaluation of Financial proposals, the quoted Total Consultancy Fee excluding GST shall be considered.***
- (iii) ***The client shall pay the Consultant, the GST, on prevailing rates as applicable on the consultancy charges***

FIN 2B: PERSONNEL INPUTS AND PROFESSIONAL FEE RATES

(For reference only. Not to be filled/scanned)

Project Appointment of Financial Management & Accounting Support Consultant in Bihar Skill Development Mission Society

Sl.No	Position	Number of Personnel	Employment Status	Input Month	Rate (INR)	Cost (INR)
1	Team leader	1	Not fill here	Not fill here	Not fill here	Not fill here
2	Co-Team leader	1	Not fill here	Not fill here	Not fill here	Not fill here
3	Accountant	7	Not fill here	Not fill here	Not fill here	Not fill here
	TOTAL (A)		Not fill here	Not fill here	Not fill here	Not fill here

Accountant (Biodata not required at the evaluation level)

Please refer “Expertise and inputs for the Assignment” under scope of work for position and

SECTION 5: TERMS OF REFERENCE

Section 5: Terms of Reference (ToR)

Financial Management & Accounting Support Consultant in Bihar Skill Development Mission Society, Bihar

Introduction

In Bihar a comprehensive and long-term strategy for skill development is being developed by the Government of Bihar. Accordingly, the Bihar Skill Development Mission (BSDM) has been constituted with the vision to increase the capacity & capability of the system to deliver quality skill training and professional knowledge to the youth to enhance their employability and bridge the skill deficit with a view to meet the growing demand for skilled manpower.

Vision & objectives :

The vision of the society shall be “Increasing the capacity & capability of the system to deliver quality skill training and professional knowledge to the youth to enhance their employability and bridge the skill deficit with a view to meet burgeoning market demand for skilled manpower”.

Objective:

- To facilitate generation of adequate employment opportunities through a policy frame work.
- To encourage and facilitate skill training for youth of Bihar.
- To monitor generation of employment in different sectors.
- To facilitate launching of training programme for both uneducated and educated unemployed persons for up-gradation of their skills.
- To formulate area and trade specific strategies for maximizing employment opportunities on a sustainable basis in the State supported by private sector.
- To facilitate a coordinated approach in achieving the above objectives for maximizing the benefits over time and space and in reaching out the most needy sections of the population.

Please visit www.skillmissionbihar.org for further details about BSDM.

Brief Description of Task

Bihar Skill Development Mission Society, a GoB initiative requires to strengthen the Financial Management and Accounting System by taking the Expert Services and support on continuous basis by experienced CA firm at the Head Office. The assignment will be initially for 36 months which will be extended on the basis of performance.

Objectives of Assignment

The objective of the assignment is to Strengthen the Accounts and Finance department and maintain continuation of the Accounting Staff under the guidance of the expert agency.

The bidder will have to co-work with the current FMASC team member for one-month transition period and has to submit inception report accordingly. The modalities for smooth transition of accounting records and processes between current FMASC team and the selected bidder hereunder will be decided in the kickoff meeting and as per instruction of CEO, BSDM.

Scope of Work

The program expects that the consultant for this assignment should do following job:-

- A. The tasks will include the day to day Computerized maintenance of Accounts, Receipt and Payment processes, Maintenance of stock register, Preparation of Bank Reconciliation Statements, Preparation of all types of ledgers, preparation of half yearly and annual financial statements, responsibility for timely completion of various audits (PAG/Statutory audit) and day to day consultancy on Statutory compliances and other services as required by Bihar Skill Development Mission Society.
- B. Day to day consultancy, implementation and execution of Financial Management and Accounting activity of BSDM as explained below but not limited to:
- Would assist in maintaining the accounts and preparing the year-end financial statements for the 2020-21, 2021-22 & 2022-23.
 - The assignment would include regular assistance i.e. facilitating the accounting process and Updation, Supervision and Monitoring of the Accounts in the following areas for all accounting years until March 2023:
 - i. Preparation of day to day accounting on Tally Software or other software as developed by BSDM.
 - ii. Monitoring and Supervision of Accounts.
 - iii. Processing and timely execution of all files related to Payment/receipts/expenses/income etc. (i.e. Payment management and receipt management)
 - iv. Maintaining all accounting ledgers, registers and formats as required for the sound accounting system.
 - v. Filing of TDS Returns and ensure deposit of Tax collected at source.
 - vi. Preparation of Bank Reconciliation and Inter Unit Reconciliation Statements;
 - vii. Bank Guarantee Tracking sheets and their timely renewal.
 - viii. Provide handholding support and assistance to sustain the accounting system and financial management.
 - ix. maintenance of all types of accounting records as required statutorily and capacity building for filing and retrieval of various categories of accounting records;
 - x. Will ensure timely compliances of all statutory requirements including VAT and Service Tax compliances;
 - xi. Will ensure maintenance of all statutory registers and record keeping;
 - xii. Assist in putting in place a mechanism so that the system can be maintained even after the completion of this assignment;
 - xiii. Preparation of the Utilization Certificate and Statement of Expenditure and submission of claims.
 - xiv. Assist Resolving audit paras (if any) and make necessary adjustments in books of accounts;

Outputs and Deliverables as mentioned but not limited to:

Report	Due Date	Contents
Inception Report	Within 4 weeks of commencement of the assignment	As-Is situation of Accounting and record keeping Status of Bihar Skill Development Mission Society since the Incorporation of the Society.
Preparation of Computerized Accounts on Tally and Finalization of Accounts of the respective financial years along with preparation of annual reports.	As required as per statutory and other compliances.	As per the Accounting and Bihar Skill Development Mission Society norms.

Note: All reports must be submitted in English. Reports must be submitted in both print and electronic versions.

1. Expertise and inputs for the Assignment

Experts Title	Qualifications, Skills and Experience	Number of Experts	Person months Up to
[A] Positions Common for Each Division			
Team Leader	Chartered Accountant /Cost Accountant with at least 10 years of experience; Must have worked in at least 4 assignments in Government Accounting .with govt. undertakings Fluent in Hindi and English ; Proficiency in use of Tally or other Software [For Team Leadership, the expert must possess leadership qualities and must have been a team leader in similar projects]	One	5 man days per month for 36 month
Co-Team Leader	Chartered Accountant /Cost Accountant with 1 (One) year experience ; Must have worked in at least 1 assignments in Government Accounting .with govt. undertakings Fluent in Hindi and English ; Proficiency in use of Tally or other Software	1	36 person months full-time
Accountant (Biodata not required at the evaluation level)	Semi Qualified CA (PE-II)/ICWAI /CS Inter with 1 years working experience (including article ship) in accounts / Post Graduate in Commerce /Economics /MBA with minimum two years and B Com with 3 Years of working experience. Good in Hindi and English; Similar work experience in at Government Projects is preferred; Knowledge of computerized accounting and use &applications of Tally a must	7 (Seven) which can be increased depending upon the requirement.	36 person months full-time
The number of Manpower may be Increased if needed . In such cases the remuneration quoted by the Consultant for Individual Staff will be the Rate of fixing the remuneration of additional Staff.			

2. Items to be provided by the Client and Consultant

- Client will be responsible to provide to the Consultant:
 - i. office space;
 - ii. TA /DA as per the Society norms for the visits to the District Offices if required.
 - iii. The computers, data storage devices data processing facilities (including the accounting software), printers and printing papers for printing of books of all original entries, ledgers and financial statements etc;
 - iv. Access to all books, registers, and records during office hours and permission to take notes and photocopies under the signature of the Accounts Officer;
 - v. Filing storage equipment;
 - vi. Internet Access
 - vii. Desktop Computer with Internet facilities

- Consultant/Staff will be responsible to:
 - i. Arrange for all stay, lodging, boarding, and food arrangements.

3. Payment Schedule

Payment will be based on the monthly basis on satisfactory performance .

SECTION 6: STANDARD CONTRACT

Agreement & General Conditions of Contract

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Section 1: DRAFT FORM OF CONTRACT

CONTRACT FOR: [Please insert name of project]

CONTRACT NUMBER: [Please insert project number]

THIS CONTRACT is made

BETWEEN : [Bihar Skill Development Mission](hereinafter referred to as “the Client”)

AND : [Please insert name of Consultant] (hereinafter referred to as “the Consultant”)

[Please insert nodal officer and communication address of the consultant]

WHEREAS:

A. the Employer has requested the Consultants to provide certain consulting services as defined in the General Conditions attached to this Contract (hereinafter called the “Services”);and

B. the Consultants, having represented to the Employer that they have the required professional skills, personnel and technical resources, have agreed to provide the Services on the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract.

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

1. Documents

This Contract shall be comprised of the following documents:

Section 1	Form of Contract
Section 2	General Conditions
Section 3	Special Conditions
Section 4	Terms of Reference
Section 5	Schedule of Prices
Section 6	Minutes of Contract Negotiation Meeting
Appendices:	

Appendix A: Terms of reference containing, inter-alia, the Description of the Services and Reporting Requirements

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This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties in respect of the Consultants obligations and supersedes all previous communications between the Parties, other than as expressly provided for in Section 3 and/or Section 4.

2. The mutual rights and obligations of the Employer and the Consultants shall be as set forth in the Contract; in particular

(a) The Consultants shall carry out the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Contract; and

(b) Employer shall make payments to the Consultants in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

3. Commencement and Duration of the Services

The Consultant shall start the Services on ____ [please insert date] (“the Start Date”) and shall complete them by ____ [please insert date] (“the End Date”) unless this Contract is terminated earlier in accordance with its terms and conditions.

4. Financial Limit

Payments under this Contract shall not, in any circumstances, exceed _____ [*please insert total amount in numbers and words*] exclusive of any government tax, if applicable ("the Financial Limit").

5. Time of the Essence

Time shall be of the essence as regards the performance by the Consultant of its obligations under this Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed in their respective names as of the day and year first above written.

For and on behalf of Client

For and on behalf of
Consultant

Signature:

Signature:

Name:

Name:

Date:

Date:

Witness on behalf of Client

Witness on behalf of Consultant

1.

1.

2.

2.

Section 2: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions

Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms whenever used in this Contract have the following meanings:

- (a) "Applicable Law" means the laws and any other instruments having the force of law.
- (b) "Contract" means the Contract signed by the Parties, to which these General Conditions of Contract are attached, together with all the documents listed in Clause 1 of such signed Contract;
- (c) "Effective Date" means the date on which this Contract comes into force and effect pursuant to Clause GC 2.1;
- (d) "GCC" means these General Conditions of Contract;
- (e) "Government" means the Government of Bihar;
- (f) "currency" means the Indian National Rupee;
- (g) "Member", in case the Consultants consist of a joint venture of more than one entity, means any of these entities, and "Members" means all of these entities;
- (i) "Personnel" means persons hired by the Consultants as approved by EMPLOYER as employees and assigned to the performance of the Services or any part thereof; "foreign Personnel" means such persons who at the time of being so hired had their domicile outside India; and "local Personnel" means such persons who at the time of being so hired had their domicile inside India;
- (j) "Party" means the Employer or the Consultants, as the case may be, and Parties means both of them;
- (k) "Services" means the work to be performed by the Consultants pursuant to this Contract for the purposes of the Project;
- (m) "Sub-consultant" means any entity to which the Consultants subcontract any part of the Services in accordance with the provisions of Clause GC 3.7; and
- (n) "Third Party" means any person or entity other than the Government, the Employer, the Consultants or a Sub-consultant.
- (o) "SC" means the Special Conditions of Contract by which these General Conditions of Contract may be amended or supplemented

1.2 Relation between the Parties

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing a relation of master and servant or of agent and principal as between the Employer and the Consultants. The Consultants, subject to this Contract, have complete charge of Personnel performing the Services and shall be fully responsible for the Services performed by them or on their behalf hereunder

1.3 Language

This Contract has been executed in English, which shall be the binding and controlling language for all matters relating to the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.

1.5 Heading

The headings shall not limit, alter or affect the meaning of this Contract.

1.6 Notices

1.6.1 Any notice, request or consent required or permitted to be given or made pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing. Any such notice, request or consent shall be deemed to have been given or made when delivered in person to an authorized representative of the Party to whom the communication is addressed, or when sent by registered mail, telex, telegram or facsimile to such Party at the address as specified in the SC.

1.6.2 Notice will be deemed to be effective as specified in the SC.

1.6.3 A party may change its address for notice hereunder by giving the other Party notice of such change at the address

mentioned as under

Employer :

Consultant:

The Chief Executive Officer,
Bihar Skill Development Mission,
Dept. of Labour Resources, GOB, Patna
Website- www.skillmissionbihar.org

1.7 Location

The Services shall be performed at such locations as are specified in TOR

1.8 Authority of Member in Charge: NA as Joint Venture/ Associate/ Consortium is not allowed.

1.9 Authorized Representatives

Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed, under this Contract by the Employer or the Consultants may be taken or executed by the authorized representative.

1.10 Taxes and Duties

The Consultants shall pay all such taxes, duties, fees and other impositions as may be levied under the Applicable Law

2. COMMENCEMENT, COMPLETION, MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

2.1 Effectiveness of Contract

This Contract shall come into force and effect on the date of the Employer's notice to the Consultants instructing the Consultants to begin carrying out the Services.

2.2 Termination of Contract for Failure to Become Effective

If this Contract has not become effective within such time period after the date of the Contract signed by the Parties as shall be specified in the SC, either Party may, by not less than two (2) months written notice to the other Party, declare this Contract to be null and void, and in the event of such a declaration by either Party, neither Party shall have any claim against the other Party with respect hereto.

2.3 Commencement of Services

The Consultants shall begin carrying out the Services at the end of such time period after the Effective Date.

2.4 Expiration of Contract

Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Clause GC 2.9 hereof, this Contract shall expire when services have been completed and all payments have been made at the end of such time period after the Effective Date.

2.5 Entire Agreement

This Contract contains all covenants, stipulations and provisions agreed by the Parties. No agent or representative of either Party has authority to make, and the Parties shall not be bound by or be liable for, any statement, representation, promise or agreement not set forth herein

2.6 Modification

Modification of the terms and conditions of this Contract, including any modification of the scope of the Services, may only be made by written agreement between the Parties. Pursuant to Clause GC 7.2 hereof, however, each party shall give due consideration to any proposals for modification made by the other Party.

2.7 Force Majeure

2.7.1 Definition

- (a) For the purposes of this Contract, "Force Majeure" means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of a Party, and which makes a Party's performance of its obligations hereunder impossible or so impractical as reasonably to be considered impossible in the circumstances, and includes, but is not limited to, war, riots, civil disorder, earthquake, fire, explosion, storm, flood or other adverse weather conditions, strikes, lockouts or other industrial action (except where such strikes, lockouts or other industrial action are within the power of the Party invoking Force Majeure to prevent), confiscation or any other action by government agencies.
- (b) Force Majeure shall not include (i) any event which is caused by the negligence or intentional action of a Party or

such Party's Sub consultants or agents or employees, nor (ii) any event which a diligent Party could reasonably have been expected to both (A) take into account at the time of the conclusion of this Contract and (B) avoid or overcome in the carrying out of its obligations hereunder.

(c) Force Majeure shall not include insufficiency of funds or failure to make any payment required hereunder.

2.7.2 No Breach of Contract

The failure of a Party to fulfil any of its obligations hereunder shall not be considered to be a breach of, or default under, this Contract insofar as such inability arises from an event of Force Majeure, provided that the Party affected by such an event has taken all reasonable precautions, due care and reasonable alternative measures, all with the objective of carrying out the terms and conditions of this Contract.

2.7.3 Measures to be Taken

(a) A party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall take all reasonable measures to remove such Party's inability to fulfil its obligations hereunder with a minimum of delay.

(b) A party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall notify the other Party of such event as soon as possible, and in any event not later than fourteen (14) days following the occurrence of such event, providing evidence of the nature and cause of such event, and shall similarly give notice of the restoration of normal conditions as soon as possible

(c) The Parties shall take all reasonable measures to minimize the event of Force Majeure consequences of any

2.7.4 Extension of Time

Any period within which a Party shall, pursuant to this Contract, complete any action or task, shall be extended for a period equal to the time during which such Party was unable to perform such action as a result of Force Majeure.

2.7.5 Payments related to force majeure

Both the parties will have to bear their own cost during the force majeure.

2.7.6 Consultation

Not later than thirty (30) days after the Consultants, as the result of an event of Force Majeure, have become unable to perform a material portion of the Services, the Parties shall consult with each other with a view to agreeing on appropriate measures to be taken in the circumstances.

2.8 Suspension

The Employer may, by written notice of suspension to the Consultants, suspend all payments to the Consultants hereunder if the Consultants fail to perform any of their obligations under this Contract, including the carrying out of the Services, provided that such notice of suspension (i) shall specify the nature of the failure, and (ii) shall request the Consultants to remedy such failure within a period not exceeding thirty (30) days after receipt by the Consultants of such notice of suspension

2.9.1 By the Employer

The Employer may, by not less than thirty (30) days' written notice of termination to the Consultants (except in the event listed in paragraph (f) below, for which there shall be a written notice of not less than sixty (60) days), such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (f) of this Clause 2.9.1, terminate this Contract:

- (a) if the Consultants fail to remedy a failure in the performance of their obligations hereunder, as specified in a notice of suspension pursuant to Clause 2.8 hereinabove, within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice of suspension or within such further period as the Employer may have subsequently approved in writing;
- (b) if the Consultants become (or, if the Consultants consist of more than one entity, if any of their Members) insolvent or bankrupt or enter into any agreements with their creditors for relief of debt or take advantage of any law for the benefit of debtors or go into liquidation or receivership whether compulsory or voluntary;
- (c) if the Consultants fail to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration proceedings pursuant to Clause 8 hereof;
- (d) if the Consultants submit to the Employer a statement which has a material effect on the rights, obligations or interests of the Employer and which the Consultants know to be false;
- (f) if, as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultants are unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) days; or
- (g) if the Employer, in its sole discretion and for any reason whatsoever, decides to terminate this Contract.

2.9.2 By the Consultants

The Consultants may, by not less than thirty (30) day's written notice to the Employer, such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this Clause 2.9.2, terminate this Contract:

- (a) if the Employer fails to pay any money due to the Consultants pursuant to this Contract and not subject to dispute pursuant to Clause 8 hereof within forty-five (45) days after receiving written notice from the Consultants that such payment is overdue;
- (b) if the Employer is in material breach of its obligations pursuant to this Contract and has not remedied the same within forty-five (45) days (or such longer period as the Consultants may have subsequently approved in writing) following the receipt by the Employer of the Consultants' notice specifying such breach;
- (c) as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultant are unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) days; or
- (d) if the Employer fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration pursuant to Clause 8 hereof

2.9.3 Cessation of Rights and Obligations

Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to Clauses 2.2 or 2.9 hereof, or upon expiration of this Contract pursuant to Clause 2.4 hereof, all rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall cease, except (i) such rights and obligations as may have accrued on the date of termination or expiration, (ii) the obligation of confidentiality set forth in Clause 3.3 hereof, (iii) the Consultant's obligation to permit inspection, copying and auditing of their accounts and records set forth in Clause 3.6 (ii) hereof, and (iv) any right which a Party may have under the Applicable Law

2.9.4 Cessation of Services

Upon termination of this Contract by notice of either Party to the other pursuant to Clauses 2.9.1 or 2.9.2 hereof, the Consultants shall, immediately upon dispatch or receipt of such notice, take all necessary steps to bring the Services to a close in a prompt and orderly manner and shall make every reasonable effort to keep expenditures for this purpose to a minimum. With respect to documents prepared by the Consultants and equipment and materials furnished by the Employer, the Consultants shall proceed as provided, respectively, by Clauses 3.9 or 3.10 hereof.

2.9.5 Payment upon Termination

Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to Clauses 2.9.1 or 2.9.2 hereof, the Employer shall make the following payments to the Consultants (after offsetting against these payments any amount that may be due from the Consultant to the Employer):

- i) remuneration pursuant to Clause 6 hereof for Services satisfactorily performed prior to the effective date of termination
- ii) reimbursable expenditures pursuant to Clause 6 hereof for expenditures actually incurred prior to the effective date of termination; and

2.9.6 Disputes about Events of Termination

If either Party disputes whether an event specified in paragraphs (a) through (e) of Clause 2.9.1 or in Clause 2.9.2 hereof has occurred, such Party may, within forty-five (45) days after receipt of notice of termination from the other Party, refer the matter to arbitration pursuant to Clause 8 hereof, and this Contract shall not be terminated on account of such event except in accordance with the terms of any resulting arbitral award.

3. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONSULTANTS

3.1 General

3.1.1 Standard of Performance

The Consultants shall perform the Services and carry out their obligations hereunder with all due diligence, efficiency and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional techniques and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate advanced technology and safe and effective equipment, machinery, materials and methods. The Consultants shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Contract or to the Services, as faithful advisers to the Employer, and shall at all times support and safeguard the Employer's legitimate interests in any dealings with Sub-consultants or Third Parties.

3.1.2 Law Governing Services

The Consultants shall perform the Services in accordance with the Applicable Law and shall take all practicable steps to ensure that any Sub-consultants, as well as the Personnel and agents of the Consultants and any Sub-consultants, comply with the Applicable Law. The Employer shall advise the Consultants in writing of relevant local customs and the Consultants shall, after such notifications, respect such customs.

3.2 Conflict of Interests

3.2.1 Consultants not to Benefit from Commissions, Discounts, etc.

The remuneration of the Consultants pursuant to Clause 6 hereof shall constitute the Consultants' sole remuneration in connection with this Contract or the Services and the Consultants shall not accept for their own benefit any trade commission, discount or similar payment in connection with activities pursuant to this Contract or to the Services or in the Discharge of their obligations hereunder, and the Consultants shall use their best efforts to ensure that any Sub-consultants, as well as the Personnel and agents of either of them, similarly shall not receive any such additional remuneration.

3.2.2 Consultants and Affiliates not to be otherwise interested in Project

The Consultants agree that, during the term of this Contract and after its termination, the Consultants and any entity affiliated with the Consultants, as well as any Sub-consultant and any entity affiliated with such Sub-consultant, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works or services (other than the Services and any continuation thereof) for any project resulting from or closely related to the Services.

3.2.3 Prohibition of Conflicting Activities

Neither the Consultants nor their Sub consultants nor the Personnel of either of them shall engage, either directly or indirectly, in any of the following activities:

- (a) during the term of this Contract, any business or professional activities which would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Contract; or
- (b) after the termination of this Contract, such other activities as may be specified by Employer

3.3 Confidentiality

The Consultants, their Sub-consultants and the Personnel of either of them shall not, either during the term or within two (2) years after the expiration of this Contract, disclose any proprietary or confidential information relating to the Project, the Services, this Contract or the Employer's business or operations without the prior written consent of the Employer.

3.4 Liability of the Consultants

The Consultants' liability under this Contract shall be as provided by the Applicable Law.

3.5 Insurance to be taken out by the Consultants

Not Applicable

3.6 Accounting, Inspection and Auditing

The Consultants (i) shall keep accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the Services hereunder, in accordance with internationally accepted accounting principles and in such form and detail as will clearly identify all relevant time charges and cost, and the bases thereof (including the bases of the Consultants' costs and charges), and (ii) shall permit the Employer or its designated representative periodically, and up to one year from the expiration or termination of this Contract, to inspect the same and make copies thereof as well as to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Employer.

3.7 Consultants' Actions requiring Employer's prior Approval

The Consultants shall obtain the Employer's prior approval in writing before taking any of the following actions:

- (a) appointing such members of the Personnel as are listed in Appendix B;
- (b) entering into a subcontract for the performance of any part of the Services, it being understood (i) that the selection of the Sub-consultant and the terms and conditions of the subcontract shall have been approved in writing by the Employer prior to the execution of the subcontract, and (ii) that the Consultants shall remain fully liable for the performance of the Services by the Sub-consultant and its Personnel pursuant to this Contract;

3.8 Reporting Obligations

The Consultants shall submit to the Employer the reports and documents as may be specified time to time or as should be submitted.

3.9 Documents prepared by the Consultants to be the Property of the Employer

All plans, drawings, specifications, designs, reports and other documents prepared by the Consultants in performing the Services shall become and remain the property of the Employer, and the Consultants shall, not later than upon termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents to the Employer, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The Consultants may retain a copy of such documents.

3.10 Equipment and Materials furnished by the Employer

Equipment and materials made available to the Consultants by the Employer, or purchased by the Consultants with funds provided by the Employer, shall be the property of the Employer and shall be marked accordingly. Upon termination or expiration of this Contract, the Consultants shall make available to the Employer an inventory of such equipment and materials and shall dispose of such equipment and materials in accordance with the Employer's instructions. While in possession of such equipment and materials, the Consultants, unless otherwise instructed by the Employer in writing, shall insure them in an amount equal to their full replacement value.

4. CONSULTANTS' PERSONNEL

4.1 General

The Consultants shall employ and provide such qualified and experienced Personnel as are required to carry out the Services.

4.2 Description of Personnel

- (a) The titles, agreed job descriptions, minimum qualification and estimated periods of minimum engagement of the key professionals is to be adhered.
- (b) If required to comply with the provisions of Clause 3.1.1 of this Contract, adjustments with respect to the estimated periods of engagement of Key personnel is to be increased. The consultant will have to take into account the requirement of personals and other relevant infrastructure required for timely completion of the project. Based on assessment of required professional, equipments and other infrastructure the consultant should quote the rates per kilometre
- (c) If additional work is required beyond the scope of the Services specified in TOR, the remuneration shall be fixed on mutually agreed terms.

4.3 Approval of Personnel

In respect of Key Personnel, which the Consultants propose to use in the carrying out of the Services, the Consultants shall submit to the Employer for review and approval a copy of their biographical data. If the Employer does not object in writing (stating the reasons for the objection) within twenty-one (21) calendar days from the date of receipt of such biographical data, such Key Personnel shall be deemed to have been approved by the Employer.

4.4 Working Hours, Overtime, Leave, etc.

Working hours and holidays for Key Professional shall be as per labour laws.

4.5 Removal and/or Replacement of Personnel

- (a) Once approved by the Employer no changes shall be made in the Key Personnel. If, for any reason beyond the reasonable control of the Consultants, it becomes necessary to replace any of the key Personnel, the Consultants shall forthwith provide as a replacement a person of equivalent or better qualifications.
- (b) If the Employer (i) finds that any of the key Personnel has committed serious misconduct or has been charged with having committed a criminal action, or (ii) has reasonable cause to be dissatisfied with the performance of any of the key Personnel, then the Consultants shall, at the Employer's written request specifying the grounds therefore, forthwith provide as a replacement of the person with qualifications and experience acceptable to the Employer. Any such replacement shall be at risk & cost of the consultant.

5. OBLIGATION OF THE EMPLOYER

5.1 Assistance and Exemptions

The Employer shall use its best efforts to ensure that the EMPLOYER shall:

- (a) assist the Consultant and Personnel in arranging work permits and such other documents as shall be necessary to enable the Consultants, Sub consultants or Personnel to perform the Services;
- (b) issue to officials, agents and representatives of the agency all such instructions as may be necessary or appropriate for the prompt and effective implementation of the Services;

5.2 Access to Land

The Employer warrants that the Consultants shall have, free of charge, unimpeded access to all land in respect of which access is required for the performance of the Services. The Employer will be responsible for any damage to such land or any property thereon resulting from such access and will indemnify the Consultants and each of the Personnel in respect of liability for any such damage, unless such damage is caused by the default or negligence of the Consultants or any Sub consultants or the Personnel of either of them.

5.3 Change in the Applicable Law

The consultant shall bear all financial implication, if, after the date of this Contract, there is any change in the Applicable Law with respect to taxes and duties.

5.4 Services, Facilities and Property of the Employer

The Employer shall make available to the Consultants and the Personnel, for the purposes of the Services and free of any charge, the services and facilities as mentioned in clause 5.1 and 5.2.

5.5 Payment

In consideration of the Services performed by the Consultants under this Contract, the Employer shall make to the Consultants such payments and in such manner as is provided by Clause 6 of this Contract.

6. PAYMENT TO THE CONSULTANTS

6.1 The payment shall be made as per clause 3 mentioned in TOR.

6.2 The payment shall be made through A/c payee cheque/RTGS, payable at Patna, in Indian Rupees.

6.3 Mode of Billing and Payment

Billing and payments in respect of the Services shall be made as follows:-

(c) The Employer shall cause to be paid to the Consultants an advance and as otherwise set forth below. The advance payment will be due after provision by the Consultants to the Employer of a bank guarantee of any nationalised bank acceptable of value of 5% of total contract value. Such bank guarantee (i) to remain effective until the advance payment has been fully set off and ii) in such form as the Employer shall have approved in writing. The advance will be adjusted in 12 equal monthly instalments from the monthly payable to the consultants.

(b) Payment Schedule

The Consultant will be paid on monthly basis and will be paid in 36 monthly Instalments

(c) The Employer shall cause the payment of the Consultants within thirty (30) days after the receipt by the Employer of bills.

7. Responsibility for Accuracy of Project Documents

7.1 General

7.1.1 The Consultant shall be responsible for accuracy of the data collected, by him directly or procured from other agencies/authorities. He shall indemnify the Authority against any inaccuracy in the work which might surface during implementation of the project. The Consultant will also be responsible for correcting, at his own cost and risk, if required

7.2. Retention Money

An amount equivalent to 5% of the contract value shall be retained at the end of the contract in the form of performance BG for accuracy of services performed and the same will be released after the completion of assignment.

7.3 ACTION FOR DEFICIENCY IN SERVICES

7.3.1 Consultants liability towards the Employer

Consultant shall be liable to indemnify the Employer for any direct loss or damage accrued or likely to accrue due to deficiency in service rendered by him

7.3.2 Warning / Debarring

In addition to the penalty as mentioned in para 7.3, warning may be issued to the erring consultants for minor deficiencies. In the case of major deficiencies in the execution of the assignment involving time and cost overrun and adverse effect on reputation of EMPLOYER, other penal action including debarring for certain period may also be initiated as per policy of EMPLOYER.

8. FAIRNESS AND GOOD FAITH

8.1 Good Faith

The Parties undertake to act in good faith with respect to each other's rights under this Contract and to adopt all reasonable measures to ensure the realization of the objectives of this Contract.

8.2 Operation of the Contract

The Parties recognize that it is impractical in this Contract to provide for every contingency which may arise during the life of the Contract, and the Parties hereby agree that it is their intention that this Contract shall operate fairly as between them, and without detriment to the interest of either of them, and that, if during the term of this Contract either Party believes that this Contract is operating unfairly, the Parties will use their best efforts to agree on such action as may be necessary to remove the cause or causes of such unfairness, but no failure to agree on any action pursuant to this Clause shall give rise to a dispute subject to arbitration in accordance with Clause 9 hereof.

9. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

9.1 Amicable Settlement

The Parties shall use their best efforts to settle amicably all disputes arising out of or in connection with this Contract or the interpretation thereof.

9.2 Dispute Settlement

Any dispute between the Parties as to matters arising pursuant to this Contract, which cannot be settled amicably within thirty (30) days after receipt by one Party of the other Party's request for such amicable settlement, may be submitted by either Party for settlement. If the dispute(s) is not resolved amicably then it shall be referred to arbitration and shall be dealt as per the provisions of the arbitration & conciliation Act. All disputes will be subject to the jurisdiction of courts of Patna.

APPENDIX- I

FORM OF BANK GUARANTEE

Ref: _____ Bank Guarantee: _____

Date: _____

To,

The Chief Executive Officer,
Bihar Skill Development Mission,
Dept. of Labour Resources, GOB, Patna

Dear Sir/Madam,

In consideration of “Bihar Skill Development Mission” (hereinafter referred as the “Employer”, which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof include its successors, administrators and assigns) having awarded to M/s. _____ (hereinafter referred to as the “Consultant” which expression shall unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors, administrators, executors and assigns), a contract by issue of Employer’s Contract Agreement No. _____ dated _____ and the same having been unequivocally accepted by the Consultant, resulting in a Contract valued at _____ for **(name of the project)** _____ (hereinafter called the “Contract”) and the Consultant having agreed to furnish a Bank Guarantee to the Employer against the release of retention money as stipulated by the Employer in the said contract for accuracy of the services performed amounting to Rs. _____ (in words and figures).

We _____ (Name of the Bank) having its Head Office at _____ (hereinafter referred to as the Bank), which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context or meaning thereof, include its successors, administrators executors and assigns) do hereby guarantee and undertake to pay the Employer immediately on demand any or, all amount payable by the Consultant to the extent of _____ as aforesaid at any time upto _____ @ _____ without any demur, reservation, contest, recourse or protest and/or without any reference to the consultant. Any such demand made by the Employer on the Bank shall be conclusive and binding notwithstanding any difference between the Employer and the Consultant or any dispute pending before any Court, Tribunal, Arbitrator or any other authority. We agree that the Guarantee herein contained shall be irrevocable and shall continue to be enforceable till the Employer discharges this guarantee.

The Employer shall have the fullest liberty without affecting in any way the liability of the Bank under this Guarantee, from time to time to vary it or to extend the time for performance of the contract by the Consultant. The Employer shall have the fullest liberty without affecting this guarantee, to postpone from time to time the exercise of any powers vested in them or of any right which they might have against the Employer and to exercise the same at any time in any manner, and either to enforce or to forebear to enforce any covenants, contained or implied, in the Contract between the Employer and the Consultant any other course or remedy or security available to the Employer. The bank shall not be relieved of its obligations under these presents by any exercise by the Employer of its liberty with reference to the matters aforesaid or any of them or by reason of any other act or forbearance or other acts of omission or commission on the part of the Employer or any other indulgence shown by the Employer or by any other matter or thing whatsoever which under law would but for this provision have the effect of relieving the Bank.

The Bank also agrees that the Employer at its option shall be entitled to enforce this Guarantee against the Bank as a principal debtor, in the first instance without proceeding against the Consultant and notwithstanding any security or other guarantee that the Employer may have in relation to the Consultant’s liabilities.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein above our liability under this guarantee is limited to _____ and it shall remain in force upto and including _____ @ _____ and shall be extended from time to time for such period (not exceeding one year), as may be desired by M/s. _____ on whose behalf this guarantee has been given.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2010 at _____

WITNESS

(signature) _____ (signature)

(Name) _____ (Name) _____

(Official Address) Designation (with Bank stamp) Attorney as per Power of

Attorney No. _____

Dated _____

Strike out whichever is not applicable.

@ The date will be twenty four months after the date of commencement of services. However its validity should be extendable if requested by **Bihar Skill Development Mission**

Note 1: The stamp papers of appropriate value shall be purchased in the name of bank that issues the "Bank Guarantee".

Note 2: The Bank Guarantee will be accepted which is issued by any schedules Banks of India.