8TH Nov 2016

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Tender Developing A Roadmap For Public Support Programmes For Clean Cooking In India By 2025 – IGEN ACCESS

Q1. **As mentioned in the Terms of Reference document, the IGEN-Access Project is being currently implemented in four states of Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal to be implemented over a period of 3 years (March 2015 – March 2018). For the current proposal under discussion, what is the level of interface/ alignment expected with the IGEN-Access project? Will the IGEN-Access Project plan be shared with the consultant? If yes, at proposal stage or later during execution**

Answer: **The given Terms of Reference are for a project which is one of the projects under IGEN Access programme. Clean cooking is one pillar of this IGEN Access programme and the overall programme objective is stated in the terms. The proramme factsheet is attached. Further details, if required, will be shared with the consultant during the execution stage.**

Q2. **As mentioned in the Terms of Reference document, the IGEN-Access Project is being currently implemented in four states of Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal to be implemented over a period of 3 years (March 2015 – March 2018). For the current proposal under discussion, what is the level of interface/ alignment expected with the IGEN-Access project? Will the IGEN-Access Project plan be shared with the consultant? If yes, at proposal stage or later during execution?**

Answer: **The consultant is encouraged to suggest the best suited methodology for achieving the project objectives. Please also consider that there are already national level policies and schemes wrt clean cooking energy in place, so they need to be taken into account to see how the impact from them can be maximized. The mentioned for states are focus states for IGEN Access programme, so priority should be given to them. However, if there are issues like if these states do not provide a representative sample, then the consultant is encouraged to suggest other states, with appropriate justification.**

Q3. **On reading through the objectives set out in the Terms of reference and the geographical location specified , it appears that this study has to be done at a national level for rural as well as urban areas. However, the background narrated in the Terms of reference also refers to as rural areas being the concern area for clean cooking energy. Should the focus of the proposed study be restricted to rural areas at Pan India level and exclude urban areas or include urban areas given the fact that the national level schemes are applicable to urban areas as well?**

Answer : **Since IGEN Access focuses on energy access in rural areas, the consultant is encouraged to focus on rural areas only.**

Q4. **As implementation of all national level schemes would have different state level bodies for implementation, is there an expectation to conduct meetings and collate inputs from all such state level bodies across all states?**

Answer : **Inputs from the sample states would be useful. However, the consultant is expected to suggest innovative means for keeping the costs in control, wrt getting inputs from the states. Also, the expected number of days under this assignment are indicated in the terms.**

Q5. **What is the expected date by which the consultant selection will be finalized and what is the expected date for the project kick-off?**

Answer : **Tentatively by mid-December**

Q6. **We understand that the hard copy needs to be send to GIZ office (B5/1 , Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi 110 029) along with a CD. Please let us know a soft copy of the proposal also needs to be shared with GIZ team?**

Answer : **Soft copy of the Technical Proposal (Only) in a CD/Pendrive must be kept with the hard copy of the proposal and should be submitted on the address given in the bidding conditions. No soft copy is required for financial proposal.**

Q7. **We would like to have certain changes / modification some clauses of General Terms & Conditions?**

Answer : **The General Terms & Conditions (GTCC) attached with tender package are non-negotiable and will be integral part of Contract.**

Q8. **Whether prior permission from GIZ is required for joint venture , if yes, please advise on the process and the documents required?**

Answer : **Kindly provide the following documentation/information in Technical Proposal;**

(a) Name of Lead Partner (first party)
(b) Name of the Firm with whom the consortium is formed
(c) Letter from 2nd party accepting the terms of consortium

09. **What is the deadline of submission of proposal?**

Answer : **The proposal / bid must reach to GIZ by 16th Nov'2016 by 17:30hrs. Bid(s) received beyond the stipulated deadline in bidding conditions / tender notice will be summarily rejected.**