

SELECTION OF CONSULTANTS

Request for Proposals Consulting Services

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Country: India

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PART I

Section1. Request for Proposal Letter

Request for Proposal Letter

Consulting Services

Name of Assignment: Hiring of Agency / resource personal to conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly under Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (G- ACRP)

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1. The Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (hereinafter called “Borrower”) has received financing from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) (the “Bank”) in the form of a “loan” (hereinafter called “loan”) toward the cost of Gujarat Resilient Cities Partnership: Ahmedabad City Resilience Project. The Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation an implementing agency of the Client intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to eligible payments under the contract for which this Request for Proposals is issued.
2. The Client now invites online proposals to provide the following consulting services (hereinafter called “Services”): Hiring of Agency / resource personal to conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly under Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (G- ACRP). More details on the Services are provided in the Terms of Reference (Section 7).
3. A firm will be selected under *Quality-cum-Cost Based Selection (QCBS)* procedures and in a Full Technical Proposal (FTP) format as described in this RFP, in accordance with the Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” Fourth Edition November 2020 (“Procurement Regulations”), which can be found at the following website: www.worldbank.org
4. A firm will be selected under Quality and Cost based selection (QCBS) procedures and in a Full Technical Proposal (FTP) format as described in this RFP, in accordance with the Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016, Revised November 2017, Revised July 2018 and November 2020” (“Procurement Regulations”), which can be found at the following website: www.worldbank.org

The RFP includes the following documents:

Section 1 – Letter of Invitation

Section 2 - Instructions to Consultants and Data Sheet

Section 3 - Technical Proposal (FTP) - Standard Forms

Section 4 - Financial Proposal - Standard Forms

Section 5 – Eligible Countries

Section 6 – Fraud and Corruption

Section 7 - Terms of Reference

Section 8 - Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms (Lump-Sum)

5. Firms or individuals who have been terminated from previous engagements with AMC for similar nature of works- services, shall not be eligible to participate in the procurement process. Such entities are required to excuse themselves from participation, failing which their proposals shall be summarily rejected
6. Details on the proposal's submission date, time and address are provided in Bid data sheet

Yours sincerely,

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Section 2. Instructions to Consultants and Data Sheet

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Instructions to Consultants

A. General Provisions

1. Definitions

- (a) **“Affiliate(s)”** means an individual or an entity that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with the Consultant.
- (b) **“Applicable Law”** means the laws and any other instruments having the force of law in the Client’s country, or in such other country as may be specified in the **Data Sheet**, as they may be issued and in force from time to time.
- (c) **“Bank”** means the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) or the International Development Association (IDA).
- (d) **“Borrower”** means the Government, Government agency or other entity that signs the Loan agreement with the Bank.
- (e) **“Client”** means the implementing agency that signs the Contract for the Services with the selected Consultant.
- (f) **“Client’s Personnel”** is as defined in Clause GCC 1.1(e).
- (g) **“Consultant”** means a legally-established professional consulting firm or an entity that may provide or provides the Services to the Client under the Contract.
- (h) **“Contract”** means a legally binding written agreement signed between the Client and the Consultant and includes all the attached documents listed in its Clause 1 (the General Conditions of Contract (GCC), the Special Conditions of Contract (SCC), and the Appendices).
- (i) **“Contractor”** is as defined in Clause GCC 1.1(h).
- (j) **“Contractor’s Personnel”** is as defined in Clause GCC 1.1(i).
- (k) **“Data Sheet”** means an integral part of the Instructions to Consultants (ITC) Section 2 that is used to reflect specific country and assignment conditions to supplement, but not to over-write, the provisions of the ITC.
- (l) **“Day”** means a calendar day, unless otherwise specified as **“Business Day”**. A Business Day is any

day that is an official working day of the Borrower. It excludes the Borrower's official public holidays.

- (m) **“ES”** means environmental and social (including Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and Sexual Harassment (SH)).
- (n) **“Experts”** means, collectively, Key Experts, Non-Key Experts, or any other personnel of the Consultant, Sub-consultant or Joint Venture member(s).
- (o) **“Government”** means the government of the Client's country.
- (p) **“in writing”** means communicated in written form (e.g. by mail, e-mail, fax, including, if specified in the Data Sheet, distributed or received through the electronic-procurement system used by the Client) with proof of receipt;
- (q) **“Joint Venture (JV)”** means an association with or without a legal personality distinct from that of its members, of more than one Consultant where one member has the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the members of the JV, and where the members of the JV are jointly and severally liable to the Client for the performance of the Contract.
- (r) **“Key Expert(s)”** means an individual professional whose skills, qualifications, knowledge and experience are critical to the performance of the Services under the Contract and whose CV is taken into account in the technical evaluation of the Consultant's proposal.
- (s) **“ITC”** (this Section 2 of the RFP) means the Instructions to Consultants that provides the shortlisted Consultants with all information needed to prepare their Proposals.
- (t) **“Non-Key Expert(s)”** means an individual professional provided by the Consultant or its Sub-consultant and who is assigned to perform the Services or any part thereof under the Contract and whose CVs are not evaluated individually.
- (u) **“Proposal”** means the Technical Proposal and the Financial Proposal of the Consultant.
- (v) **“RFP”** means the Request for Proposals to be prepared by the Client for the selection of Consultants, based on the SPD - RFP.

(w) **“Services”** means the work to be performed by the Consultant pursuant to the Contract.

(x) **“Sexual Exploitation and Abuse” “(SEA)”*** means the following:

Sexual Exploitation is defined as any actual or attempted abuse of position of vulnerability, differential power or trust, for sexual purposes, including, but not limited to, profiting monetarily, socially or politically from the sexual exploitation of another.

Sexual Abuse is defined as the actual or threatened physical intrusion of a sexual nature, whether by force or under unequal or coercive conditions.

(y) **“Sexual Harassment” “(SH)”*** is defined as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature by the Experts with other Experts, Contractor’s or Client’s Personnel.

(z) **“Site”** is as defined in Clause GCC 1.1 (z).

(aa) **“SPD - RFP”** means the Standard Procurement Document - Request for Proposals, which must be used by the Client as the basis for the preparation of the RFP.

(bb) **“Sub-consultant”** means an entity to whom the Consultant intends to subcontract any part of the Services while the Consultant remains responsible to the Client during the whole performance of the Contract.

(cc) **“Terms of Reference (TORs)”** (this Section 7 of the RFP) means the Terms of Reference that explains the objectives, scope of work, activities, and tasks to be performed, respective responsibilities of the Client and the Consultant, and expected results and deliverables of the assignment.

*A non-exhaustive list of (i) behaviors which constitute SEA and (ii) behaviors which constitute SH is attached to the Code of Conduct form in Section 3.

2. Introduction

2.1 The Client named in the **Data Sheet** intends to select a Consultant from those listed in the Request for Proposals (RFP), in accordance with the method of selection specified in the **Data Sheet**.

2.2 The shortlisted Consultants are invited to submit a Technical Proposal and a Financial Proposal, or a

Technical Proposal only, as specified in the **Data Sheet**, for consulting services required for the assignment named in the **Data Sheet**. The Proposal will be the basis for negotiating and ultimately signing the Contract with the selected Consultant.

- 2.3 The Consultants should familiarize themselves with the local conditions and take them into account in preparing their Proposals, including attending a pre-proposal conference if one is specified in the **Data Sheet**. Attending any such pre-proposal conference is optional and is at the Consultants' expense.
- 2.4 The Client will timely provide, at no cost to the Consultants, the inputs, relevant project data, and reports required for the preparation of the Consultant's Proposals specified in the **Data Sheet**.

3. Conflict of Interest

- 3.1 The Consultant is required to provide professional, objective, and impartial advice, at all times holding the Client's interests paramount, strictly avoiding conflicts with other assignments or its own corporate interests, and acting without any consideration for future work.
- 3.2 The Consultant has an obligation to disclose to the Client any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts its capacity to serve the best interest of its Client. Failure to disclose such situations may lead to the disqualification of the Consultant or the termination of its Contract and/or sanctions by the Bank.

3.2.1 Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, the Consultant shall not be hired under the circumstances set forth below:

a. Conflicting Activities

- (i) Conflict between consulting activities and procurement of goods, works or non-consulting services: a firm that has been engaged by the Client to provide goods, works, or non-consulting services for a project, or any of its Affiliates, shall be disqualified from providing consulting services resulting from or directly related to those goods, works, or non-consulting services. Conversely, a firm hired to provide consulting services for the preparation or implementation of a project, or any of its Affiliates, shall be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or works or non-consulting services resulting from or directly related to the consulting services for such preparation or implementation.

b. Conflicting Assignments

- (ii) Conflict among consulting assignments: a Consultant (including its Experts and Sub-consultants) or any of its Affiliates shall not be hired for any assignment that, by its nature, may be in conflict with another assignment of the Consultant for the same or for another Client.

c. Conflicting Relationships

- (iii) Relationship with the Client's staff: a Consultant (including its Experts and Sub-consultants) that has a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Borrower (or of the Client, or of implementing agency, or of a recipient of a part of the Bank's financing) who are directly or indirectly involved in any part of (i) the preparation of the Terms of Reference for the assignment, (ii) the selection process for the Contract, or (iii) the supervision of the Contract, may not be awarded a Contract, unless the conflict stemming from this relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Bank throughout the selection process and the execution of the Contract.

- 4. **Unfair Competitive Advantage**
 - 4.1 Fairness and transparency in the selection process require that the Consultants or their Affiliates competing for a specific assignment do not derive a competitive advantage from having provided consulting services related to the assignment in question. To that end, the Client shall indicate in the **Data Sheet** and make available to all shortlisted Consultants together with this RFP all information that would in that respect give such Consultant any unfair competitive advantage over competing Consultants.
- 5. **Fraud and Corruption**
 - 5.1 The Bank requires compliance with the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and its prevailing sanctions policies and procedures as set forth in the WBG's Sanctions Framework, as set forth in Section 6.
 - 5.2 In further pursuance of this policy, Consultants shall permit and shall cause their agents (where declared or not), sub-contractors, sub consultants, service providers, suppliers, and personnel, to permit the Bank to inspect all accounts, records and other documents relating to any shortlisting process, Proposal submission, and contract performance (in the case of award), and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.
- 6. **Eligibility**
 - 6.1 The Bank permits consultants (individuals and firms, including Joint Ventures and their individual members) from all countries to offer consulting services for Bank- financed projects.
 - 6.2 Furthermore, it is the Consultant's responsibility to ensure that its Experts, joint venture members, Sub-consultants, agents (declared or not), sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/or their employees meet the eligibility requirements as established by the Bank in the applicable Procurement Regulations.
 - 6.3 As an exception to the foregoing ITC 6.1 and ITC 6.2 above:
 - a. **Sanctions**
 - 6.3.1 A Consultant that has been sanctioned by the Bank, pursuant to the Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and in accordance with its prevailing sanctions policies and procedures as set forth in the WBG's Sanctions Framework as described in Section VI, Fraud and Corruption, paragraph 2.2 d., shall be ineligible to be shortlisted for, submit proposals for, or be awarded a Bank-financed contract or benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or otherwise, during such period of time as the Bank shall have determined. The list of debarred firms and individuals is available at the electronic address

specified in the PDS.

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| b. Prohibitions | 6.3.2 | Firms and individuals of a country or goods manufactured in a country may be ineligible if so indicated in Section 5 (Eligible Countries) and: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) as a matter of law or official regulations, the Borrower's country prohibits commercial relations with that country, provided that the Bank is satisfied that such exclusion does not preclude effective competition for the provision of Services required; or(b) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, the Borrower's Country prohibits any import of goods from that country or any payments to any country, person, or entity in that country. |
| c. Restrictions for State-Owned Enterprises | 6.3.3 | State-owned enterprises or institutions in the Borrower's country may be eligible to compete and be awarded a contract only if they can establish, in a manner acceptable to the Bank, that they: (i) are legally and financially autonomous, (ii) operate under commercial law, and (iii) are not under supervision of the Client. |
| d. Restrictions for Public Employees | 6.3.4 | Government officials and civil servants of the Borrower's country are not eligible to be included as Experts, individuals, or members of a team of Experts in the Consultant's Proposal unless: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) The services of the government official or civil servant are of a unique and exceptional nature, or their participation is critical to project implementation; and(ii) Their hiring would not create a conflict of interest, including any conflict with employment or other laws, regulations, or policies of the Borrower. |
| e. Borrower Debarment | 6.3.5 | A firm that is under a sanction of debarment by the Borrower from being awarded a contract is eligible to participate in this procurement, unless the Bank, at the Borrower's request, is satisfied that the debarment: <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) relates to fraud or corruption, and(b) followed a judicial or administrative proceeding that afforded the firm adequate due process. |

B. Preparation of Proposals

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| 7. General Considerations | 7.1 In preparing the Proposal, the Consultant is expected to examine the RFP in detail. Material deficiencies in providing the information requested in the RFP may result in rejection of the Proposal. |
| 8. Cost of Preparation of Proposal | 8.1 The Consultant shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its Proposal, and the Client shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the selection process. The Client 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 Consultant. |
| 9. Language | 9.1 The Proposal, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Proposal exchanged between the Consultant and the Client shall be written in the language(s) specified in the Data Sheet . |
| 10. Documents Comprising the Proposal | <p>10.1 The Proposal shall comprise the documents and forms listed in the Data Sheet.</p> <p>10.2 If specified in the Data Sheet, the Consultant shall include a statement of an undertaking of the Consultant to observe, in competing for and executing a contract, the Client country's laws against fraud and corruption (including bribery).</p> <p>10.3 The Consultant shall furnish information on commissions, gratuities, and fees, if any, paid or to be paid to agents or any other party relating to this Proposal and, if awarded, Contract execution, as requested in the Financial Proposal submission form (Section 4).</p> |
| 11. Only One Proposal | 11.1 The Consultant (including the individual members of any Joint Venture) shall submit only one Proposal, either in its own name or as part of a Joint Venture in another Proposal. If a Consultant, including any Joint Venture member, submits or participates in more than one proposal, all such proposals shall be disqualified and rejected. This does not, however, preclude a Sub-consultant, or the Consultant's staff from participating as Key Experts and Non-Key Experts in more than one Proposal when circumstances justify and if stated in the Data Sheet . |
| 12. Proposal Validity | 12.1 Proposals shall remain valid until the date specified in the Data Sheet or any extended date if amended by the Client in accordance with ITC 13.1.1. |

- 12.2 During this period, the Consultant shall maintain its original Proposal without any change, including the availability of the Key Experts, the proposed rates and the total price.
- 12.3 If it is established that any Key Expert nominated in the Consultant's Proposal was not available at the time of Proposal submission or was included in the Proposal without his/her confirmation, such Proposal shall be disqualified and rejected for further evaluation, and maybe subject to sanctions in accordance with ITC 5.
- 12.4 The Client will make its best effort to complete the negotiations and award the contract prior to the date of expiry of the Proposal validity. However, should the need arise, the Client may request, in writing, all Consultants who submitted Proposals prior to the submission deadline to extend the Proposals' validity.
- a. Extension of Proposal Validity**
- 12.5 If the Consultant agrees to extend the validity of its Proposal, it shall be done without any change in the original Proposal and with the confirmation of the availability of the Key Experts, except as provided in ITC 12.7.
- 12.6 The Consultant has the right to refuse to extend the validity of its Proposal in which case such Proposal will not be further evaluated.
- 12.7 If any of the Key Experts become unavailable for the extended validity period, the Consultant shall seek to substitute another Key Expert. The Consultant shall provide a written adequate justification and evidence satisfactory to the Client together with the substitution request. In such case, a substitute Key Expert shall have equal or better qualifications and experience than those of the originally proposed Key Expert. The technical evaluation score, however, will remain to be based on the evaluation of the CV of the original Key Expert.
- b. Substitution of Key Experts at Validity Extension**
- 12.8 If the Consultant fails to provide a substitute Key Expert with equal or better qualifications, or if the provided reasons for the replacement or justification are unacceptable to the Client, such Proposal will be rejected with the prior Bank's no objection.
- c. Sub-Contracting**
- 12.9 The Consultant shall not subcontract the whole of the Services.
- 13. Clarification and Amendment of RFP**
- 13.1 The Consultant may request a clarification of any part of the RFP during the period indicated in the **Data Sheet** before the Proposals' submission deadline. Any request

for clarification must be sent in writing, or by standard electronic means, to the Client's address indicated in the **Data Sheet**. The Client will respond in writing, or by standard electronic means, and will send written copies of the response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying its source) to all shortlisted Consultants. Should the Client deem it necessary to amend the RFP as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure described below:

13.1.1 At any time before the proposal submission deadline, the Client may amend the RFP by issuing an amendment in writing or by standard electronic means. The amendment shall be sent to all shortlisted Consultants and will be binding on them. The shortlisted Consultants shall acknowledge receipt of all amendments in writing.

13.1.2 If the amendment is substantial, the Client may extend the proposal submission deadline to give the shortlisted Consultants reasonable time to take an amendment into account in their Proposals.

13.2 The Consultant may submit a modified Proposal or a modification to any part of it at any time prior to the proposal submission deadline. No modifications to the Technical or Financial Proposal shall be accepted after the deadline.

14.1 While preparing the Proposal, the Consultant must give particular attention to the following:

14. Preparation of Proposals Specific Considerations

14.1.1 If a shortlisted Consultant considers that it may enhance its expertise for the assignment by associating with other consultants in the form of a Joint Venture or as Sub-consultants, it may do so with either (a) non-shortlisted Consultant(s), or (b) shortlisted Consultants if permitted in the **Data Sheet**. In all such cases a shortlisted Consultant must obtain the written approval of the Client prior to the submission of the Proposal. When associating with non-shortlisted firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy, the shortlisted Consultant shall be a lead member. If shortlisted Consultants associate with each other, any of them can be a lead member.

14.1.2 The Client may indicate in the **Data Sheet** the estimated Key Experts' time input (expressed in person-month) or the Client's estimated total cost of the assignment, but not both. This estimate is indicative and the Proposal shall be based on the

Consultant's own estimates for the same.

14.1.3 If stated in the **Data Sheet**, the Consultant shall include in its Proposal at least the same time input (in the same unit as indicated in the **Data Sheet**) of Key Experts, failing which the Financial Proposal will be adjusted for the purpose of comparison of proposals and decision for award in accordance with the procedure in the **Data Sheet**.

14.1.4 For assignments under the Fixed-Budget selection method, the estimated Key Experts' time input is not disclosed. Total available budget, with an indication whether it is inclusive or exclusive of taxes, is given in the **Data Sheet**, and the Financial Proposal shall not exceed this budget.

15. Technical Proposal Format and Content

15.1 The Technical Proposal shall be prepared using the Standard Forms provided in Section 3 of the RFP and shall comprise the documents listed in the **Data Sheet**. The Technical Proposal shall not include any financial information. A Technical Proposal containing material financial information shall be declared non-responsive.

15.1.1 Consultant shall not propose alternative Key Experts. Only one CV shall be submitted for each Key Expert position. Failure to comply with this requirement will make the Proposal non-responsive.

15.2 Depending on the nature of the assignment, the Consultant is required to submit a Full Technical Proposal (FTP), or a Simplified Technical Proposal (STP) as indicated in the **Data Sheet** and using the Standard Forms provided in Section 3 of the RFP.

16. Financial Proposal

16.1 The Financial Proposal shall be prepared using the Standard Forms provided in Section 4 of the RFP. It shall list all costs associated with the assignment, including (a) remuneration for Key Experts and Non-Key Experts, (b) reimbursable expenses indicated in the **Data Sheet**.

a. Price Adjustment

16.2 For assignments with a duration exceeding 18 months, a price adjustment provision for foreign and/or local inflation for remuneration rates applies if so stated in the **Data Sheet**.

b. Taxes

16.3 The Consultant and its Sub-consultants and Experts are responsible for meeting all tax liabilities arising out of the Contract unless stated otherwise in the **Data Sheet**. Information on taxes in the Client's country is provided

in the **Data Sheet**.

c. Currency of Proposal

16.4 The Consultant may express the price for its Services in the currency or currencies as stated in the **Data Sheet**. If indicated in the **Data Sheet**, the portion of the price representing local cost shall be stated in the national currency.

d. Currency of Payment

16.5 Payment under the Contract shall be made in the currency or currencies in which the payment is requested in the Proposal.

C. Submission, Opening and Evaluation

17. Submission, Sealing, and Marking of Proposals

17.1 The Consultant shall submit a signed and complete Proposal comprising the documents and forms in accordance with ITC 10 (Documents Comprising Proposal). Consultants shall mark as “CONFIDENTIAL” information in their Proposals which is confidential to their business. This may include proprietary information, trade secrets or commercial or financially sensitive information. The submission can be done by mail or by hand. If specified in the **Data Sheet**, the Consultant has the option of submitting its Proposals electronically.

17.2 An authorized representative of the Consultant shall sign the original submission letters in the required format for both the Technical Proposal and, if applicable, the Financial Proposal and shall initial all pages of both. The authorization shall be in the form of a written power of attorney attached to the Technical Proposal.

17.2.1 A Proposal submitted by a Joint Venture shall be signed by all members so as to be legally binding on all members, or by an authorized representative who has a written power of attorney signed by each member’s authorized representative.

17.3 Any modifications, revisions, interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialed by the person signing the Proposal.

17.4 The signed Proposal shall be marked “ORIGINAL”, and its copies marked “COPY” as appropriate. The number of copies is indicated in the **Data Sheet**. All copies shall be made from the signed original. If there are discrepancies between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.

17.5 The original and all the copies of the Technical Proposal shall be placed inside a sealed envelope clearly marked “**TECHNICAL PROPOSAL**”, “[Name of the Assignment]”,

[reference number], [name and address of the Consultant], and with a warning “**DO NOT OPEN UNTIL [INSERT THE DATE AND THE TIME OF THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE].**”

- 17.6 Similarly, the original Financial Proposal (if required for the applicable selection method) and its copies shall be placed inside of a separate sealed envelope clearly marked “**FINANCIAL PROPOSAL**” “[Name of the Assignment], [reference number], [name and address of the Consultant]”, and with a warning “**DO NOT OPEN WITH THE TECHNICAL PROPOSAL.**”
- 17.7 The sealed envelopes containing the Technical and Financial Proposals shall be placed into one outer envelope and sealed. This outer envelope shall be addressed to the Client and bear the submission address, RFP reference number, the name of the assignment, the Consultant’s name and the address, and shall be clearly marked “Do Not Open Before [insert the time and date of the submission deadline indicated in the **Data Sheet**]”.
- 17.8 If the envelopes and packages with the Proposal are not sealed and marked as required, the Client will assume no responsibility for the misplacement, loss, or premature opening of the Proposal.
- 17.9 The Proposal or its modifications must be sent to the address indicated in the **Data Sheet** and received by the Client no later than the deadline indicated in the **Data Sheet**, or any extension to this deadline. Any Proposal or its modification received by the Client after the deadline shall be declared late and rejected, and promptly returned unopened.

18. Confidentiality

- 18.1 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. Information relating to the evaluation of Proposals and award recommendations shall not be disclosed to the Consultants who submitted the Proposals or to any other party not officially concerned with the process, until the Notification of Intention to Award the Contract. Exceptions to this ITC are where the Client notifies Consultants of the results of the evaluation of the Technical Proposals.
- 18.2 Any attempt by shortlisted Consultants or anyone on behalf of the Consultant to influence improperly the Client in the evaluation of the Proposals or Contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its Proposal, and may be subject to the application of prevailing Bank’s

sanctions procedures.

- 18.3 Notwithstanding the above provisions, from the time of the Proposals' opening to the time of Contract award publication, if a Consultant wishes to contact the Client or the Bank on any matter related to the selection process, it shall do so only in writing.

19. Opening of Technical Proposals

- 19.1 The Client's evaluation committee shall conduct the opening of the Technical Proposals in the presence of the shortlisted Consultants' authorized representatives who choose to attend (in person, or online if this option is offered in the **Data Sheet**). The opening date, time and the address are stated in the **Data Sheet**. The envelopes with the Financial Proposal shall remain sealed and shall be securely stored with a reputable public auditor or independent authority until they are opened in accordance with ITC 23.

- 19.2 At the opening of the Technical Proposals the following shall be read out: (i) the name and the country of the Consultant or, in case of a Joint Venture, the name of the Joint Venture, the name of the lead member and the names and the countries of all members; (ii) the presence or absence of a duly sealed envelope with the Financial Proposal; (iii) any modifications to the Proposal submitted prior to proposal submission deadline; and (iv) any other information deemed appropriate or as indicated in the **Data Sheet**.

20. Proposals Evaluation

- 20.1 Subject to provision of ITC 15.1, the evaluators of the Technical Proposals shall have no access to the Financial Proposals until the technical evaluation is concluded and the Bank issues its "no objection", if applicable.

- 20.2 The Consultant is not permitted to alter or modify its Proposal in any way after the proposal submission deadline except as permitted under ITC 12.7. While evaluating the Proposals, the Client will conduct the evaluation solely on the basis of the submitted Technical and Financial Proposals.

21. Evaluation of Technical Proposals

- 21.1 The Client's evaluation committee shall evaluate the Technical Proposals on the basis of their responsiveness to the Terms of Reference and the RFP, applying the evaluation criteria, sub-criteria, and point system specified in the **Data Sheet**. Each responsive Proposal will be given a technical score. A Proposal shall be rejected at this stage if it does not respond to important aspects of the RFP or if it fails to achieve the minimum technical score indicated in the **Data Sheet**.

22. Financial

- 22.1 Following the ranking of the Technical Proposals, when

**Proposals for
QBS**

the selection is based on quality only (QBS), the top-ranked Consultant is invited to negotiate the Contract.

22.2 If Financial Proposals were invited together with the Technical Proposals, only the Financial Proposal of the technically top-ranked Consultant is opened by the Client's evaluation committee. All other Financial Proposals are returned unopened after the Contract negotiations are successfully concluded and the Contract is signed.

**23. Public Opening of
Financial
Proposals (for
QCBS, FBS, and
LCS methods)**

23.1 After the technical evaluation is completed and the Bank has issued its no objection (if applicable), the Client shall notify those Consultants whose Proposals were considered non-responsive to the RFP and TOR or did not meet the minimum qualifying technical score, advising them the following:

- (i) their Proposal was not responsive to the RFP and TOR or did not meet the minimum qualifying technical score;
- (ii) provide information relating to the Consultant's overall technical score, as well as scores obtained for each criterion and sub-criterion;
- (iii) their Financial Proposals will be returned unopened after completing the selection process and Contract signing; and
- (iv) notify them of the date, time and location of the public opening of the Financial Proposals and invite them to attend.

23.2 The Client shall simultaneously notify in writing those Consultants whose Proposals were considered responsive to the RFP and TOR, and that have achieved the minimum qualifying technical score, advising them the following:

- (i) their Proposal was responsive to the RFP and TOR and met the minimum qualifying technical score;
- (ii) provide information relating to the Consultant's overall technical score, as well as scores obtained for each criterion and sub-criterion;
- (iii) their Financial Proposal will be opened at the public opening of Financial Proposals; and
- (iv) notify them of the date, time and location of the public opening and invite them for the opening of

the Financial Proposals.

- 23.3 The opening date shall be no less than ten (10) Business Days from the date of notification of the results of the technical evaluation, described in ITC 23.1 and 23.2. However, if the Client receives a complaint on the results of the technical evaluation within the ten (10) Business Days, the opening date shall be subject to ITC 35.1.
- 23.4 The Consultant's attendance at the opening of the Financial Proposals (in person, or online if such option is indicated in the **Data Sheet**) is optional and is at the Consultant's choice.
- 23.5 The Financial Proposals shall be opened publicly by the Client's evaluation committee in the presence of the representatives of the Consultants and anyone else who chooses to attend. Any interested party who wishes to attend this public opening should contact the client as indicated in the **Data Sheet**. Alternatively, a notice of the public opening of Financial Proposals may be published on the Client's website, if available. At the opening, the names of the Consultants, and the overall technical scores, including the break-down by criterion, shall be read aloud. The Financial Proposals will then be inspected to confirm that they have remained sealed and unopened. These Financial Proposals shall be then opened, and the total prices read aloud and recorded. Copies of the record shall be sent to all Consultants who submitted Proposals and to the Bank.
- 24.1 Activities and items described in the Technical Proposal but not priced in the Financial Proposal, shall be assumed to be included in the prices of other activities or items, and no corrections are made to the Financial Proposal.

24. Correction of Errors

a. Time-Based Contracts

- 24.1.1 If a Time-Based contract form is included in the RFP, the Client's evaluation committee will (a) correct any computational or arithmetical errors, and (b) adjust the prices if they fail to reflect all inputs included for the respective activities or items included in the Technical Proposal. In case of discrepancy between (i) a partial amount (sub-total) and the total amount, or (ii) between the amount derived by multiplication of unit price with quantity and the total price, or (iii) between words and figures, the former will prevail. In case of discrepancy between the Technical and Financial Proposals in indicating quantities of input, the Technical Proposal prevails and the Client's evaluation committee shall correct the

quantification indicated in the Financial Proposal so as to make it consistent with that indicated in the Technical Proposal, apply the relevant unit price included in the Financial Proposal to the corrected quantity, and correct the total Proposal cost.

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| <p>b. Lump-Sum Contracts</p> | <p>24.1.2 If a Lump-Sum contract form is included in the RFP, the Consultant is deemed to have included all prices in the Financial Proposal, so neither arithmetical corrections nor price adjustments shall be made. The total price, net of taxes understood as per ITC 25, specified in the Financial Proposal (Form FIN-1) shall be considered as the offered price. Where there is a discrepancy between the amount in words and the amount figures, the amount in words shall prevail.</p> |
| <p>25. Taxes</p> | <p>25.1 The Client's evaluation of the Consultant's Financial Proposal shall exclude taxes and duties in the Client's country in accordance with the instructions in the Data Sheet.</p> |
| <p>26. Conversion to Single Currency</p> | <p>26.1 For the evaluation purposes, prices shall be converted to a single currency using the selling rates of exchange, source and date indicated in the Data Sheet.</p> |
| <p>27. Combined Quality and Cost Evaluation</p> | |
| <p>a. Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS)</p> | <p>27.1 In the case of QCBS, the total score is calculated by weighting the technical and financial scores and adding them as per the formula and instructions in the Data Sheet. The Consultant with the Most Advantageous Proposal, which is the Proposal that achieves the highest combined technical and financial scores, will be invited for negotiations.</p> |
| <p>b. Fixed-Budget Selection(FBS)</p> | <p>27.2 In the case of FBS, those Proposals that exceed the budget indicated in ITC 14.1.4 of the Data Sheet shall be rejected.</p> <p>27.3 The Client will select the Consultant with the Most Advantageous Proposal, which is the highest-ranked Technical Proposal that does not exceed the budget indicated in the RFP, and invite such Consultant to negotiate the Contract.</p> |

- c. Least-Cost Selection**
- 27.4 In the case of Least-Cost Selection (LCS), the Client will select the Consultant with the Most Advantageous Proposal, which is the Proposal with the lowest evaluated total price among those Proposals that achieved the minimum qualifying technical score, and invite such a Consultant to negotiate the Contract.

D. Negotiations and Award

- 28. Negotiations**
- 28.1 The negotiations will be held at the date and address indicated in the Data Sheet with the Consultant's representative(s) who must have written power of attorney to negotiate and sign a Contract on behalf of the Consultant.
- 28.2 The Client shall prepare minutes of negotiations that are signed by the Client and the Consultant's authorized representative.
- a. Availability of Key Experts**
- 28.3 The invited Consultant shall confirm the availability of all Key Experts included in the Proposal as a pre-requisite to the negotiations, or, if applicable, a replacement in accordance with ITC 12. Failure to confirm the Key Experts' availability may result in the rejection of the Consultant's Proposal and the Client proceeding to negotiate the Contract with the next-ranked Consultant.
- 28.4 Notwithstanding the above, the substitution of Key Experts at the negotiations may be considered if due solely to circumstances outside the reasonable control of and not foreseeable by the Consultant, including but not limited to death or medical incapacity. In such case, the Consultant shall offer a substitute Key Expert within the period of time specified in the letter of invitation to negotiate the Contract, who shall have equivalent or better qualifications and experience than the original candidate.
- b. Technical Negotiations**
- 28.5 The negotiations include discussions of the Terms of Reference (TORs), the proposed methodology, the Client's inputs, the special conditions of the Contract, and finalizing the "Description of Services" part of the Contract. These discussions shall not substantially alter the original scope of services under the TOR or the terms of the contract, lest the quality of the final product, its price, or the relevance of the initial evaluation be affected.
- c. Financial Negotiations**
- 28.6 The negotiations include the clarification of the Consultant's tax liability in the Client's country and how it should be reflected in the Contract.

- 28.7 If the selection method included cost as a factor in the evaluation, the total price stated in the Financial Proposal for a Lump-Sum contract shall not be negotiated.
- 28.8 In the case of a Time-Based contract, unit rates negotiations shall not take place, except when the offered Key Experts and Non-Key Experts' remuneration rates are much higher than the typically charged rates by consultants in similar contracts. In such case, the Client may ask for clarifications and, if the fees are very high, ask to change the rates after consultation with the Bank. The format for (i) providing information on remuneration rates in the case of Quality Based Selection; and (ii) clarifying remuneration rates' structure under this Clause, is provided in Appendix A to the Financial Form FIN-3: Financial Negotiations – Breakdown of Remuneration Rates.
- 29. Conclusion of Negotiations**
- 29.1 The negotiations are concluded with a review of the finalized draft Contract, which then shall be initialed by the Client and the Consultant's authorized representative.
- 29.2 If the negotiations fail, the Client shall inform the Consultant in writing of all pending issues and disagreements and provide a final opportunity to the Consultant to respond. If disagreement persists, the Client shall terminate the negotiations informing the Consultant of the reasons for doing so. After having obtained the Bank's no objection, the Client will invite the next-ranked Consultant to negotiate a Contract. Once the Client commences negotiations with the next-ranked Consultant, the Client shall not reopen the earlier negotiations.
- 30. Standstill Period**
- 30.1 The Contract shall not be awarded earlier than the expiry of the Standstill Period. The Standstill Period shall be ten (10) Business Days unless extended in accordance with ITC33. The Standstill Period commences the day after the date the Client has transmitted to each Consultant (that has not already been notified that it has been unsuccessful) the Notification of Intention to Award the Contract. Where only one Proposal is submitted, or if this contract is in response to an emergency situation recognized by the Bank, the Standstill Period shall not apply.
- 31. Notification of Intention to Award**
- 31.1 The Client shall send to each Consultant (that has not already been notified that it has been unsuccessful) the Notification of Intention to Award the Contract to the successful Consultant. The Notification of Intention to Award shall contain, at a minimum, the following information:
- (a) the name and address of the Consultant with whom

- the client successfully negotiated a contract;
- (b) the contract price of the successful Proposal;
- (c) the names of all Consultants included in the short list, indicating those that submitted Proposals;
- (d) where the selection method requires, the price offered by each Consultant as read out and as evaluated;
- (e) the overall technical scores and scores assigned for each criterion and sub-criterion to each Consultant;
- (f) the final combined scores and the final ranking of the Consultants;
- (g) a statement of the reason(s) why the recipient's Proposal was unsuccessful, unless the combined score in (f) above already reveals the reason;
- (h) the expiry date of the Standstill Period; and
- (i) instructions on how to request a debriefing and/or submit a complaint during the Standstill Period.

32. Notification of Award

- 32.1 Upon expiry of the Standstill Period, specified in ITC 30.1 or any extension thereof, and upon satisfactorily addressing any complaint that has been filed within the Standstill Period, and upon verifying that the Consultant (including each member of a JV) is not disqualified by the Bank due to noncompliance with contractual SEA/SH prevention and response obligations, the Client shall, send a notification of award to the successful Consultant, confirming the Client's intention to award the Contract to the successful Consultant and requesting the successful Consultant to sign and return the draft negotiated Contract within eight (8) Business Days from the date of receipt of such notification. The Client will require the Consultant to replace any sub consultant that is disqualified by the Bank due to noncompliance with contractual SEA/SH prevention and response obligations. If specified in the **Data Sheet**, the client shall simultaneously request the successful Consultant to submit, within eight (8) Business Days, the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form.

Contract Award Notice

Within ten (10) Business Days from the date of notification of award such request, the Client shall publish the Contract Award Notice which shall contain, at a minimum, the

following information:

- (a) name and address of the Client;
- (b) name and reference number of the contract being awarded, and the selection method used;
- (c) names of the consultants that submitted proposals, and their proposal prices as read out at financial proposal opening, and as evaluated;
- (d) names of all Consultants whose Proposals were rejected or were not evaluated, with the reasons therefor;
- (e) the name of the successful consultant, the final total contract price, the contract duration and a summary of its scope; and.
- (f) Successful Consultant's Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form, if specified in Data Sheet ITC 32.1.

32.2 The Contract Award Notice shall be published on the Client's website with free access if available, or in at least one newspaper of national circulation in the Client's Country, or in the official gazette. The Client shall also publish the contract award notice in UNDB online

33. Debriefing by the Client

33.1 On receipt of the Client's Notification of Intention to Award referred to in ITC 31.1, an unsuccessful Consultant has three (3) Business Days to make a written request to the Client for a debriefing. The Client shall provide a debriefing to all unsuccessful Consultants whose request is received within this deadline.

33.2 Where a request for debriefing is received within the deadline, the Client shall provide a debriefing within five (5) Business Days, unless the Client decides, for justifiable reasons, to provide the debriefing outside this timeframe. In that case, the standstill period shall automatically be extended until five (5) Business Days after such debriefing is provided. If more than one debriefing is so delayed, the standstill period shall not end earlier than five (5) Business Days after the last debriefing takes place. The Client shall promptly inform, by the quickest means available, all Consultants of the extended standstill period

33.3 Where a request for debriefing is received by the Client later than the three (3)-Business Day deadline, the Client should provide the debriefing as soon as practicable, and normally no later than fifteen (15) Business Days from the date of publication of Public Notice of Award of contract. Requests for debriefing received outside the

three (3)-day deadline shall not lead to extension of the standstill period.

34. Signing of Contract

33.4 Debriefings of unsuccessful Consultants may be done in writing or verbally. The Consultants shall bear their own costs of attending such a debriefing meeting

34.1 The Contract shall be signed prior to the expiry date of the Proposal validity and promptly after expiry of the Standstill Period, specified in ITC 30.1 or any extension thereof, and upon satisfactorily addressing any complaint that has been filed within the Standstill Period.

34.2 The Consultant is expected to commence the assignment on the date and at the location specified in the **Data Sheet**.

35. Procurement Related Complaint

35.1 The procedures for making a Procurement-related Complaint are as specified in the **Data Sheet**.

Section 2. Instructions to Consultants

E. Data Sheet

ITC Reference	A. General
1 (b)	India
1 (o)	<p>Electronic –Procurement System</p> <p>The Client shall use the following electronic-procurement system to manage this Request for Proposal (RFP) process:</p> <p>NIC-CPP Portal and url for the NIC-CPP Portal is www.eprocure.gov.in</p> <p>The electronic-procurement system shall be used to manage the following part of the RFP process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issuing of RFP • Submissions of Proposals • Opening of Proposals etc.
2.1	<p>Name of the Client: Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation</p> <p>Method of selection: “Quality and Cost based selection (QCBS)” method as per the Procurement Regulations (available on www.worldbank.org)</p>
2.2	<p>Financial Proposal to be submitted together with Technical Proposal:</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>The name of the assignment is “Hiring of Agency / resource personal to conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly under Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (G-ACRP).”</p>

2.3	<p>A pre-proposal conference will be held: Yes (Link for virtual meeting will be made available before the pre-proposal conference meeting to the shortlisted consultant)</p> <p>Date of pre-proposal conference: 05/01/2026</p> <p>Time: 11:00 AM IST</p> <p>Address: City Engineer (WRM), 2nd floor, Block-C, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001</p> <p>Telephone: 07925391811</p> <p>E-mail: piugrcdpamc@gmail.com</p> <p>Contact person/conference coordinator:</p> <p>City Engineer (WRM)</p> <p>2nd Floor, Block-C, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001</p>
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2.4	The Client will provide the following inputs, project data, reports, etc. to facilitate the preparation of the Proposals:- NIL
4.1	Not Applicable
6.3.1	A list of debarred firms and individuals is available at the Bank's external website: www.worldbank.org/debarr
B. Preparation of Proposals	
9.1	<p>This RFP has been issued in the English language.</p> <p>Proposals shall be submitted in English language.</p> <p>All correspondence exchange shall be in English language.</p>
10.1	<p>The Proposal shall comprise the following:</p> <p><u>For FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL (FTP):</u></p> <p>1st Inner Envelope with the Technical Proposal:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Power of Attorney to sign the Proposal (2) TECH-1 (3) TECH-2 (4) TECH-3 (5) TECH-4 (6) TECH-5 (7) TECH-6 (8) TECH-7 Code of Conduct (ES): The Consultant shall submit its Code of Conduct that will apply to the Experts, to ensure compliance with the Consultant's Environmental and Social (ES) obligations under the Contract. The Consultant shall use for this purpose the Code of Conduct form in Section 3. No substantial modifications shall be made to this form, except that the Consultant may introduce additional requirements, including as necessary to take into account specific Contract issues/risks. <p>AND</p> <p>2nd Inner Envelope with the Financial Proposal (if applicable):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) FIN-1 (2) FIN-2

	<p>(3) FIN-5</p> <p>(4) Statement of Undertaking (if required under Data Sheet 10.2 below)</p>
10.2	Statement of Undertaking is required: Yes
11.1	<p>Participation of Sub-consultants, Key Experts and Non-Key Experts in more than one Proposal is permissible: Yes</p> <p>No</p>
12.1	Proposals shall be valid until 120 Days Calendar days
13.1	<p>Clarifications may be requested no later than 15 days prior to the submission deadline.</p> <p>The address for requesting clarification is:</p> <p>Address: City Engineer (WRM), 2nd floor, Block-C, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001</p> <p>Telephone: 9374503918 & 9374643568</p> <p>E-mail: piugrcdpamc@gmail.com</p>
14.1.1	<p>Shortlisted Consultants may associate with</p> <p>(a) non-shortlisted consultant(s): Yes</p> <p>Or</p> <p>(b) other shortlisted Consultants: No</p>
<p>14.1.2</p> <p>(do not use for Fixed Budget method)</p>	Not applicable
<p>14.1.3</p> <p>for time-based</p>	Not applicable

contracts only	
14.1.4 and 27.2 use for Fixed Budget method	Not Applicable
15.2	The format of the Technical Proposal to be submitted is: FTP. Submission of the Technical Proposal in a wrong format may lead to the Proposal being deemed non-responsive to the RFP requirements.
16.1	(1) Not applicable
16.2	A price adjustment provision applies to remuneration rates: No
16.3	“Information on the Consultant’s tax obligations in the Client’s country can be found on Ministry of Finance Government of India website shown below.” <i>http://finmin.nic.in</i>

16.4	The Financial Proposal shall be stated in Indian Rupees:		
16.5	Payment under the contract shall be made in Indian Rupees.		
C. Submission, Opening and Evaluation			
17.1	The Consultants shall have to submit their Proposals electronically on NIC-CPP portal.		
17.4	The Consultant must submit: (a) Technical Proposal: Online (b) Financial Proposal: Online		
17.7 and 17.9	The Proposals must be submitted no later than: Date: 20/01/2026 Time: 16:00(IST) The Proposal submission on NIC-CPP Portal in a electronically.		
19.1	An online option of the opening of the Technical Proposals is offered: Yes.(online Only) The opening shall take place at: City Engineer (WRM), 2 nd floor, Sardar Patel Bhavan Danapith Ahmedabad-380001, Gujarat India Date: 20/01/2026 Time: 16:30 (IST)		
19.2	In addition, the following information will be read aloud at the opening of the Technical Proposals:- Not Applicable		
21.1 (for FTP)		Consultants’ technical proposal shall be evaluated in two parts. Part A (as mentioned below) shall be the mandatory criteria that the consultant must meet. Technical Proposal of Consultants who do not meet the criteria in Part A, shall not be further evaluated, who meet the criteria in Part A, shall be evaluated further using the scoring scheme contained in Part B below. Part A: Mandatory Criteria:	
		SN	Eligible Criteria
			Documents/Copies to be submitted

		<p>1 Consultant shall be a registered legal entity with experience as and bidder shall have experience for conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly and should have been on business for the last 5 years (as on last date for submission of proposal)</p>	<p>a. Certificate of Incorporation/Registration</p> <p>b. GST registration certificate</p> <p>C. Any other Government Documentation to establishes Proof of existence</p>	
		<p>2 In pursuant to clause 1(q) under section 2, ITC -should have successfully completed Minimum of one project of conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly for Central/State Government or Local Self-Governments or Public Utilities in India with a minimum consulting fee of Rs. 50 lakhs in the last 8 years (as on last date for submission of proposal)</p>	<p>Document(s) relating to details of assignments shall be supported by completion certificate or Work Order along with final payment confirmation by the Authority. The supporting documents shall clearly state the scope of work and contract value undertaken by the applicant.</p> <p>If the consultant has completed the previous similar project as part of a JV, then the proportionate share of the bidder in the JV shall be considered, providing the bidder submits the proof of JV share along with Bid,</p>	
		<p>3 The average annual turnover of the company in any three of the last</p>	<p>Audit financial statements</p>	

five financial years shall be at least INR 01 Crores. (FY 2024-25, 2023-24, 2023-2022, 2022-21,2021-20, 2020,19)	
In case of JV- all member together should satisfy the above requirement and the lead member should satisfy minimum 50% of the requirement and other member should have minimum 25% of the requirement.	

Part B: Evaluation Criteria:

Bidders are advised to go through *Section 7 (TOR)* and Annexure 1 to SECTION-2 (Application of Evaluation Criteria) of this RFP.

Sl no	Particular	Required Documents	Max Marks
	Specific experience of the consultant (as a firm) relevant to the assignment 20 Marks		
1	<p>Bidder should have Successfully completed conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly</p> <p>First Ten projects in the serial order</p>	<p>Document(s) relating to details of assignments shall be supported by completion certificate or Work Order along with final payment confirmation by the Authority. The supporting documents shall clearly state the scope of work and contract value undertaken by the applicant.</p> <p>If the consultant has completed the previous similar project as part of a JV, then the proportionate share of the bidder in the JV shall be considered, providing the bidder</p>	20

	would be evaluated	submits the proof of JV share along with Bid,																
2	Write-up on approach, methodology, workplan and organization & staffing for the assignment as per scope of work provided a. Technical approach b. Methodology c. Work plan d. Organization and staffing	Detailed write-up based on the requirements on ToR	30 5 10 10 5															
3	Consultant: Education and relevant experience	Signed copy of CV (5 no's of experts) of the auditor firm along with proof of experience. The CVs shall be duly signed by the authorized representative of the consultant as well as the expert	50															
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Minimum technical score (st) required to qualify is : 70

	Public Opening of Financial Proposals
23.4	<p>An online option of the opening of the Financial Proposals is offered: Yes.(Online Only)</p> <p>The online opening procedure shall be done on NIC CPP portal and it is opened at City Engineer (WRM), 2nd floor, Block-C, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001.</p>
23.5	<p>Following the completion of the evaluation of the Technical Proposals, the Client will notify all Consultants of the location, date and time of the public opening of Financial Proposals.</p> <p>Any interested party who wishes to attend this public opening should contact [Name: - City Engineer (WRM) and Tele No: -9374503918 & 9374503918 & 9374643568 or by E-mail on piugrcdpamc@gmail.com and request to be notified of the location, date and time of the public opening of Financial Proposals. The request should be made before the deadline for submission of Proposals, stated above.</p> <p>Alternatively, a notice of the public opening of Financial Proposals may be published on the Client's website, if available.</p>
25.1	<p>For the purpose of the evaluation, the Client will exclude: (a) all local GST, or similar taxes levied on the contract's invoices; and (b) all additional local indirect tax on the remuneration of services rendered by non-resident experts in the Client's country. If a Contract is awarded, at Contract negotiations, all</p>

	such taxes will be discussed, finalized (using the itemized list as a guidance but not limiting to it) and added to the Contract amount as a separate line, also indicating which taxes shall be paid by the Consultant and which taxes are withheld and paid by the Client on behalf of the Consultant.
26.1	<p>The single currency for the conversion of all prices expressed in various currencies into a single one is Indian Rupee (INR)</p> <p>The official source is RBI Reference Rate (buying rate)</p> <p>The date of the exchange rate is: 28 days prior to the dead line for submission of the proposal</p>
27.1 (QCBS only)	<p>The lowest evaluated Financial Proposal (Fm) is given the maximum financial score (Sf) of 100.</p> <p>The formula for determining the financial scores (Sf) of all other Proposals is calculated as following:</p> <p>$Sf = 100 \times Fm / F$, in which “Sf” is the financial score, “Fm” is the lowest price, and “F” the price of the proposal under consideration.</p> <p>The weights given to the Technical (T) and Financial (P) Proposals are:</p> <p>T = 0.7 (70%), and</p> <p>P = 0.3 (30%)</p> <p>Proposals are ranked according to their combined technical (St) and financial (Sf) scores using the weights (T = the weight given to the Technical Proposal; P = the weight given to the Financial Proposal; T + P = 1) as following: $S = St \times T\% + Sf \times P\%$.</p>
	D. Negotiations and Award
28.1	<p>Expected date and address for contract negotiations:</p> <p>Date: TBD</p> <p>Address: Project Director (PIU), Deputy Municipal Commissioner (Project) 2ndFloor, Block-C, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001</p>
32.1	The successful Consultant shall not submit the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form.
34.2	<p>Expected date for the commencement of the Services:</p> <p>Date: TBD</p>

	at: Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India.
35.1	<p>The procedures for making a Procurement-related Complaint are detailed in the “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (Annex III).” If a Consultant wishes to make a Procurement-related Complaint, the Consultant shall submit its complaint following these procedures, In Writing (by thequickest means available, such as by email or fax), to:</p> <p>For The attention: Vijay Patel Title/position: CE (WRM) Client: Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation Email address: piugrcdpamc@gmail.com</p> <p>In summary, a Procurement-related Complaint may challenge any of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the terms of this Request for Proposal; 2. the Client’s decision to exclude a Consultant from the procurement process prior to the award of contract; and 3. the Client’s decision to award the contract.

Annexure 1 to Section 2

SPECIFIC APPLICATION OF EVALUATION CRITERIA

CRITERIA-1

SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE OF THE CONSULTANT (AS A FIRM) RELEVANT TO THE ASSIGNMENT: 20 Points

[Note to Consultant: The Client will assess similarity of the work to be done in this assignment with assignments successfully completed by the Consultant in India/ in the last 8 years (as on last date for submission of proposal). Client testimony if provided will be an additional factor. The Consultant should provide documentary evidence such as copy of Completion Certificate or Performance Certificate for each of the assignments shown by the consultant, from the client. The experience shall not be considered for evaluation if such requisite support documents are not provided with the proposal.

APPLICATION OF EVALUATION CRITERIA (1)

Sl. No.	Scoring for projects* meeting the requirement				Point Allocation Max. Score allocated for the Criteria (1)
1		Combined Value of Works (in lakh rupees)			
		100 or above	75 or above up to 100	50 or above up to 75	35 or above up to 50
	Score	20	15	10	5

* Cumulative value of environment audit/ social audit/ environment and social audit projects shall be considered. First **ten projects** in the serial order (as per list in **Tech-2B**) would be considered for evaluation. Only those projects with proof of successful completion shall be considered for evaluation.

CRITERIA-2

ADEQUACY AND QUALITY OF THE PROPOSED METHODOLOGY, AND WORKPLAN IN RESPONDING TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE (TORs): 30

points

- Technical Approach: 05
- Methodology: 10
- Work Plan: 10
- Organization and Staffing: 5

[Notes to Consultant: the client will assess whether the proposed methodology is clear, responds to the TORs, work plan is realistic and implementable; overall team composition is balanced and has an appropriate skills mix; and the work plan has right input of Experts. Guidance on preparation is provided in TOR]

APPLICATION OF EVALUATION CRITERIA (2)

1. Sub Criteria: TECHNICAL APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY (15 points)

[Note to Consultant:

Points shall be awarded based on whether the proposed approach is discussed in detail and the methodology is specifically tailored to the characteristics of the assignment.]

Scoring	Sub Criteria	Point Allocation Max. Score allocated for the Criteria (ii a)	
a)	Technical Approach		05
	<i>Excellent: Substantially exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	05	
	<i>Very Good: Marginally exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	04	
	<i>Good: Just meeting the specified requirement.</i>	03	
	<i>Average: Marginally below the specified requirement.</i>	02	
	<i>Below Average: Substantially below the specific requirement.</i>	00	
b)	Methodology		10
	<i>Excellent: Substantially exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	10	
	<i>Very Good: Marginally exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	08	
	<i>Good: Just meeting the specified requirement.</i>	06	
	<i>Average: Marginally below the specified requirement.</i>	04	
	<i>Below Average: Substantially below the specific requirement.</i>	00	

2. Sub Criteria: WORK PLAN (10 points)

[Note to Consultant:

Points shall be awarded based on evaluation of how the work plan responds to the TORs, whether all important activities are indicated in the activity schedule, and their timing is appropriate and consistent with the assignment outputs.]

Scoring	Sub Criteria	Point Allocation Max. Score allocated for the Criteria (ii b)	
c)	Work Plan		10
	<i>Excellent: Substantially exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	10	
	<i>Very Good: Marginally exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	08	
	<i>Good: Just meeting the specified requirement.</i>	06	
	<i>Average: Marginally below the specified requirement.</i>	04	
	<i>Below Average: Substantially below the specific requirement.</i>	00	

3. Sub Criteria: ORGANISATION AND STAFFING (05 points)

[Note to Consultant:

Points shall be awarded based on evaluation of the team composition and the skills mix; and whether some members have worked together before to some extent. In case of JV or if sub-consultant is proposed, the roles and responsibilities of each agency shall be clearly defined.]

Scoring	Sub Criteria	Point Allocation Max. Score allocated for the Criteria (ii c)	
d)	Organization & Staffing		5
	<i>Excellent: Substantially exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	5	
	<i>Very Good: Marginally exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	4	
	<i>Good: Just meeting the specified requirement.</i>	3	
	<i>Average: Marginally below the specified requirement.</i>	2	
	<i>Below Average: Substantially below the specific requirement.</i>	00	

KEY EXPERTS' QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCE FOR THE CRITERIA-3

ASSIGNMENT: 40 POINTS FOR ALL KEY EXPERT POSITIONS

The number of points to be assigned to each of the above positions shall be determined considering the following two sub-criteria and relevant percentage weights.

- General qualifications (general education, training, and experience):[30%].
- Adequacy for the Assignment (relevant education, training, experience in the sector/similar assignments): [70%]

Note ∴

APPLICATION OF EVALUATION CRITERIA (3)

1) General qualifications (general education, training, and experience): [30%]

	General qualifications	Point Allocation as percentage of Max. Score allocated for the "General Qualification" for specific Key Expert Position
I	<i>Excellent: Substantially exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	30%
II	<i>Very Good: Marginally exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	27%
III	<i>Good: Just meeting the specified requirement.</i>	24%
IV	<i>Average: Marginally below the specified requirement.</i>	21%
V	<i>Below Average: Substantially below the specific requirement.</i>	0

2) Adequacy for the Assignment (relevant education, training, experience in the sector/similar assignments):[70%]

	Adequacy for the Assignment	Point Allocation as percentage of Max. Score allocated for "Adequacy for The Assignment" for specific Key Expert Position
I	<i>Excellent: Substantially exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	70%
II	<i>Very Good: Marginally exceeding the specified requirement.</i>	63%
III	<i>Good: Just meeting the specified requirement.</i>	56%

IV	<i>Average: Marginally below the specified requirement.</i>	49%
V	<i>Below Average: Substantially below the specific requirement.</i>	0

Section 3. Technical Proposal – Standard Forms

CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED FORMS

Required for FTP or STP <input type="checkbox"/>		FORM	DESCRIPTION
FTP	STP		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECH-1	Technical Proposal Submission Form.
<input type="checkbox"/> If applicable		TECH-1 Attachment	If the Proposal is submitted by a joint venture, attach a letter of intent or a copy of an existing agreement.
<input type="checkbox"/> If applicable		Power of Attorney	No pre-set format/form. In the case of a Joint Venture, several are required: a power of attorney for the authorized representative of each JV member, and a power of attorney for the representative of the lead member to represent all JV members
<input type="checkbox"/>		TECH-2	Consultant's Organization and Experience.
<input type="checkbox"/>		TECH-2A	A. Consultant's Organization
<input type="checkbox"/>		TECH-2B	B. Consultant's Experience
<input type="checkbox"/>		TECH-3	Comments or Suggestions on the Terms of Reference and on Counterpart Staff and Facilities to be provided by the Client.
<input type="checkbox"/>		TECH-3A	A. On the Terms of Reference
<input type="checkbox"/>		TECH-3B	B. On the Counterpart Staff and Facilities
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECH-4	Description of the Approach, Methodology, and Work Plan for Performing the Assignment
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECH-5	Work Schedule and Planning for Deliverables
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECH-6	Team Composition, Key Experts Inputs, and attached Curriculum Vitae (CV)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECH-7	Code of Conduct (ES)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	TECH-8	Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and/or Sexual Harassment (SH) Performance Declaration

All pages of the original Technical and Financial Proposal shall be initialed by the same authorized representative of the Consultant who signs the Proposal.

FORM TECH-1

TECHNICAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

{Location, Date}

To
Project Director (PIU),
Deputy Municipal Commissioner (Project)
2ndFloor, Block-C, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001
Gujarat,
India

Dear Sirs:

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consulting services Hiring of Agency / resource personal to conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly under Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (G- ACRP) in accordance with your Request for Proposals (RFP) dated 20/12/2025 and our Proposal. We are aware that the Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers"July 2016, Revised November 2017, Revised July 2018 and November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"). "We are hereby submitting our Proposal, which includes this Technical Proposal anda Financial Proposal sealed in a separate envelope"

{If the Consultant is a joint venture, insert the following: We are submitting our Proposal a joint venture with: {Insert a list with full name and the legal address of each member, and indicate the lead member}. We have attached a copy {insert: "of our letter of intent to form a joint venture"or, if a JV is already formed, "of the JV agreement"} signed by every participating member, which details the likely legal structure of and the confirmation of joint and severable liability of the members of the said joint venture.

{OR

If the Consultant's Proposal includes Sub-consultants, insert the following: We are submitting our Proposal with the following firms as Sub-consultants: {Insert a list with full name and address of each Sub-consultant.}

We hereby declare that:

- a) All the information and statements made in this Proposal are true and we accept that any misinterpretation or misrepresentation contained in this Proposal may lead to our disqualification by the Client and/or may be sanctioned by the Bank.
- (b) Our Proposal shall be valid and remain binding upon us until 120 days from opening of technical bid
- (c) We have no conflict of interest in accordance with ITC 3.
- (d) We meet the eligibility requirements as stated in ITC 6, and we confirm our understanding of our obligation to abide by the Bank's policy in regard to Fraud and Corruption as per ITC 5.

(e) We, along with any of our sub-consultants, sub-contractors, suppliers, or service providers for any part of the contract, are not subject to, and not controlled by any entity or individual that is subject to, a temporary suspension or a debarment imposed by the World Bank Group or a debarment imposed by the World Bank Group in accordance with the Agreement for Mutual Enforcement of Debarment Decisions between the World Bank and other development banks. Further, we are not ineligible under the Client's country laws or official regulations or pursuant to a decision of the United Nations Security Council;

(f) **Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and/or Sexual Harassment (SH):** *[select the appropriate option from (i) to (iii) below and delete the others].*

We *[where JV, insert: "including any of our JV members"]*, and any of our sub-consultants:

- (i) [have not been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations.]
- (ii) [are subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations.]
- (iii) [had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations. An arbitral award on the disqualification case has been made in our favor.]
- (g) Deleted
- (h) Except as stated in the Data Sheet, ITC 12.7, we undertake to negotiate a Contract on the basis of the proposed Key Experts. We accept that the substitution of Key Experts for reasons other than those stated in ITC 12 and ITC 28.4 may lead to the termination of Contract negotiations.
- (i) Our Proposal is binding upon us and subject to any modifications resulting from the Contract negotiations.

We undertake, if our Proposal is accepted and the Contract is signed, to initiate the Services related to the assignment no later than the date indicated in ITC 34.2 of the Data Sheet.

We understand that the Client is not bound to accept any Proposal that the Client receives.

We remain,

Yours sincerely,

Signature (of Consultant's authorized representative) {In full and initials}:

Full name: {insert full name of authorized representative}

Title: {insert title/position of authorized representative}

Name of Consultant (company's name or JV's name):

Capacity: {insert the person's capacity to sign for the Consultant}

Address: {insert the authorized representative's address}

Phone/fax: {insert the authorized representative's phone and fax number, if applicable}

Email: {insert the authorized representative's email address}

{For a joint venture, either all members shall sign or only the lead member, in which case the power of attorney to sign on behalf of all members shall be attached.

FORM TECH-2(FOR FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL ONLY)

CONSULTANT’S ORGANIZATION AND EXPERIENCE

Form TECH-2: a brief description of the Consultant’s organization and an outline of the recent experience of the Consultant that is most relevant to the assignment. In the case of a joint venture, information on similar assignments shall be provided for each partner. For each assignment, the outline should indicate the names of the Consultant’s Key Experts and Sub-consultants who participated, the duration of the assignment, the contract amount (total and, if it was done in a form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy, the amount paid to the Consultant), and the Consultant’s role/involvement.

A - Consultant’s Organization

1. Provide here a brief description of the background and organization of your company, and – in case of a joint venture – of each member for this assignment.

2. Include organizational chart, a list of Board of Directors, and beneficial ownership.

B - Consultant's Experience

1. List only previous similar assignments successfully completed in the last 10 years. (1st January 2015 to till date of RFP issuing)
2. List only those assignments for which the Consultant was legally contracted by the Client as a company or was one of the joint venture members. Assignments completed by the Consultant's individual experts working privately or through other consulting firms cannot be claimed as the relevant experience of the Consultant, or that of the Consultant's partners or sub-consultants, but can be claimed by the Experts themselves in their CVs. The Consultant should be prepared to substantiate the claimed experience by presenting copies of relevant documents and references if so requested by the Client.

Duration	Assignment name/& brief description of main deliverables/outputs	Name of Client & Country of Assignment	Approx. Contract value (in US\$ equivalent)/ Amount paid to your firm	Role on the Assignment
{e.g., Jan.2009–Apr.2010}	{e.g., “Improvement quality of.....”: designed master plan for rationalization of ; }	{e.g., Ministry of, country}	{e.g., US\$1 mill/US\$0.5 mill}	{e.g., Lead partner in a JV A&B&C}
{e.g., Jan-May 2008}	{e.g., “Support to sub-national government.....” : drafted secondary level regulations on }	{e.g., municipality of, country}	{e.g., US\$0.2 mil/US\$0.2 mil}	{e.g., sole Consultant}

FORM TECH-3 (FOR FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL)

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS ON THE TERMS OF REFERENCE, COUNTERPART STAFF, AND FACILITIES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CLIENT

Form TECH-3: comments and suggestions on the Terms of Reference that could improve the quality/effectiveness of the assignment; and on requirements for counterpart staff and facilities, which are provided by the Client, including: administrative support, office space, local transportation, equipment, data, etc.

A - On the Terms of Reference

{Improvements to the Terms of Reference, if any}

B - On Counterpart Staff and Facilities

{comments on counterpart staff and facilities to be provided by the Client. For example, administrative support, office space, local transportation, equipment, data, background reports, etc.,if any}

FORM TECH-4 (FOR FULL TECHNICAL PROPOSAL ONLY)

DESCRIPTION OF APPROACH, METHODOLOGY, AND WORK PLAN IN RESPONDING TO THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

Form TECH-4: a description of the approach, methodology and work plan for performing the assignment, including a detailed description of the proposed methodology and staffing for training, if the Terms of Reference specify training as a specific component of the assignment.

{Suggested structure of your Technical Proposal (in FTP format):

- a) Technical Approach and Methodology
- b) Work Plan
- c) Organization and Staffing}

- a) **Technical Approach and Methodology.** {Please explain your understanding of the objectives of the assignment as outlined in the Terms of Reference (TORs), the technical approach, and the methodology you would adopt for implementing the tasks,(including on the Environmental and Social(ES) aspects)to deliver the expected output(s), and the degreeof detail of such output. Please do not repeat/copy the TORs in here.}
- b) **Work Plan.** {Please outline the plan for the implementation of the main activities/tasks of the assignment, their content and duration, phasing and interrelations, milestones (including interim approvals by the Client), and tentative delivery dates of the reports. The proposed work plan should be consistent with the technical approach and methodology, showing your understanding of the TOR and ability to translate them into a feasible working plan. A list of the final documents (including reports) to be delivered as final output(s) should be included here. The work plan should be consistent with the Work Schedule Form.}
- c) **Organization and Staffing.** {Please describe the structure and composition of your team, including the list of the Key Experts, Non-Key Experts and relevant technical and administrative support staff.}

FORM TECH-5(FOR FTP AND STP)

WORK SCHEDULE AND PLANNING FOR DELIVERABLES

N°	Deliverables ¹ (D-..)	Months											
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	n	TOTAL
D-1	{e.g., Deliverable #1: Report A												
	1) data collection												
	2) drafting												
	3) inception report												
	4) incorporating comments												
	5) delivery of final report to Client}												
D-2	{e.g., Deliverable #2}												

- 1 List the deliverables with the breakdown for activities required to produce them and other benchmarks such as the Client's approvals. For phased assignments, indicate the activities, delivery of reports, and benchmarks separately for each phase.
- 2 Duration of activities shall be indicated in a form of a bar chart.
3. Include a legend, if necessary, to help read the chart.

FORM TECH-6(FOR FTP AND STP)

TEAM COMPOSITION, ASSIGNMENT, AND KEY EXPERTS' INPUTS

N°	Name	Expert's input (in person/month) per each Deliverable (listed in TECH-5)										Total time-input (in Months)				
		Position		D-1		D-2		D-3	D-...			Home	Field	Total	
KEY EXPERTS																
K-1	{e.g., Mr. Abbbb}	[Team Leader]	[Home]	[2 month]		[1.0]		[1.0]								
			[Field]	[0.5 m]		[2.5]		[0]								
K-2																
K-3																
n																
												Subtotal				
NON-KEY																
N-1			[Home]													
			[Field]													
N-2																
n																
												Subtotal				
												Total				

- 1 For Key Experts, the input should be indicated individually for the same positions as required under the Data Sheet ITC21.1.
- 2 Months are counted from the start of the assignment/mobilization. One (1) month equals twenty two (22) working (billable) days. One working (billable) day shall be not less than eight (8) working (billable) hours.
- 3 "Home" means work in the office in the expert's country of residence. "Field" work means work carried out in the Client's country or any other country outside the expert's country of residence.

Full time input

Part time input



FORM TECH-6 (CONTINUED)

CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)

Position Title and No.	{e.g., K-1, TEAM LEADER}
Name of Expert:	{Insert full name}
Date of Birth:	{day/month/year}
Country of Citizenship/Residence	

Education: {List college/university or other specialized education, giving names of educational institutions, dates attended, degree(s)/diploma(s) obtained}

Employment record relevant to the assignment: {Starting with present position, list in reverse order. Please provide dates, name of employing organization, titles of positions held, types of activities performed and location of the assignment, and contact information of previous clients and employing organization(s) who can be contacted for references. Past employment that is not relevant to the assignment does not need to be included.}

Period	Employing organization and your title/position. Contact information for references	Country	Summary of activities performed relevant to the Assignment
[e.g., May 2005-present]	[e.g., Ministry of, advisor/consultant to... For references: Tel /e-mail.....; Mr. Hbbbbbb, deputy minister]		

Membership in Professional Associations and Publications:

Language Skills (indicate only languages in which you can work): _____

Adequacy for the Assignment:

Detailed Tasks Assigned on Consultant's Team of Experts:	Reference to Prior Work/Assignments that Best Illustrates Capability to Handle the Assigned Tasks
{List all deliverables/tasks as in TECH- 5 in which the Expert will be involved)	

Expert's contact information: (e-mail....., phone.....)

Certification:

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this CV correctly describes myself, my qualifications, and my experience, and I am available, as and when necessary, to undertake the assignment in case of an award. I understand that any misstatement or misrepresentation described herein may lead to my disqualification or dismissal by the Client, and/or sanctions by the Bank.

{day/month/year}

Name of Expert	Signature	Date
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{day/month/year}

Name of authorized Representative of the Consultant (the same who signs the Proposal)	Signature	Date
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FORM TECH-7 (FOR FTP AND STP))
CODE OF CONDUCT FOR EXPERTS (ES) FORM
CODE OF CONDUCT FOR EXPERTS

Note to the Consultant:

The minimum content of the Code of Conduct form as set out by the Client shall not be substantially modified. However, the Consultant may add requirements as appropriate, including to take into account Contract-specific issues/risks.

The Consultant shall initial and submit the Code of Conduct form as part of its Proposal.

We are the Consultant, [*enter name of Consultant*]. We have signed a contract with Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation for Program Management Consultant (PMC). These Services will be carried out at Ahmedabad/Gandhinagar under Gujarat Resilient Cities Partnership: Ahmedabad City Resilience Project. Our contract requires us to implement measures to address environmental and social risks related to the Services, including the risks of sexual exploitation, sexual abuse and sexual harassment.

This Code of Conduct is part of our measures to deal with environmental and social risks related to the Services. It applies to all Experts at the Site or other places where the Services are being carried out.

This Code of Conduct identifies the behavior that we require from all Experts.

Our workplace is an environment where unsafe, offensive, abusive or violent behavior will not be tolerated and where all persons should feel comfortable raising issues or concerns without fear of retaliation.

REQUIRED CONDUCT

Experts shall:

1. carry out his/her duties competently and diligently;
2. comply with this Code of Conduct and all applicable laws, regulations and other requirements, including requirements to protect the health, safety and well-being of other Experts and any other person;
3. maintain a safe working environment including by:
 - a. ensuring that workplaces, equipment and processes under each person's control are safe and without risk to health;
 - b. wearing required personal protective equipment; and
 - c. following applicable emergency operating procedures.
4. report work situations that he/she believes are not safe or healthy and remove himself/herself from a work situation which he/she reasonably believes presents an imminent and serious danger to his/her life or health;

5. treat other people with respect, and not discriminate against specific groups such as women, people with disabilities, migrant workers or children;
6. not engage in Sexual Harassment, which means unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature with other Experts, Contractor's Personnel or Client's Personnel;
7. not engage in Sexual Exploitation, which means any actual or attempted abuse of position of vulnerability, differential power or trust, for sexual purposes, including, but not limited to, profiting monetarily, socially or politically from the sexual exploitation of another ;
8. not engage in Sexual Abuse, which means the actual or threatened physical intrusion of a sexual nature, whether by force or under unequal or coercive conditions;
9. not engage in any form of sexual activity with individuals under the age of 18, except in case of pre-existing marriage;
10. complete relevant training courses that will be provided related to the environmental and social aspects of the Contract, including on health and safety matters, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA), and Sexual Harassment (SH);
11. report violations of this Code of Conduct; and
12. not retaliate against any person who reports violations of this Code of Conduct, whether to us or the Client, or who makes use of grievance mechanism for Experts or the project's Grievance Redress Mechanism.

RAISING CONCERNS

If any person observes behavior that he/she believes may represent a violation of this Code of Conduct, or that otherwise concerns him/her, he/she should raise the issue promptly. This can be done in either of the following ways:

1. Contact in writing at this address [] or by telephone at [] or in person at []; or
2. Call [] to reach the Consultant's hotline (*if any*) and leave a message.

The person's identity will be kept confidential, unless reporting of allegations is mandated by the country law. Anonymous complaints or allegations may also be submitted and will be given all due and appropriate consideration. We take seriously all reports of possible misconduct and will investigate and take appropriate action. We will provide warm referrals to service providers that may help support the person who experienced the alleged incident, as appropriate.

There will be no retaliation against any person who raises a concern in good faith about any behavior prohibited by this Code of Conduct. Such retaliation would be a violation of this Code of Conduct.

CONSEQUENCES OF VIOLATING THE CODE OF CONDUCT

Any violation of this Code of Conduct by Experts may result in serious consequences, up to and including termination and possible referral to legal authorities.

FOR EXPERT:

I have received a copy of this Code of Conduct written in a language that I comprehend. I understand that if I have any questions about this Code of Conduct, I can contact [*enter name of Consultant's contact person(s) with relevant experience*] requesting an explanation.

Name of Expert: [insert name]

Signature: _____

Date: (day month year): _____

Countersignature of authorized representative of the Consultant:

Signature: _____

Date: (day month year): _____

ATTACHMENT 1: Behaviors constituting Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and behaviors constituting Sexual Harassment (SH)

ATTACHMENT 1 TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT FORM
BEHAVIORS CONSTITUTING SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE (SEA) AND
BEHAVIORS CONSTITUTING SEXUAL HARASSMENT (SH)

The following non-exhaustive list is intended to illustrate types of prohibited behaviors:

(1) Examples of sexual exploitation and abuse include, but are not limited to:

- An Expert tells a member of the community that he/she can get them jobs related to the work site (e.g. cooking and cleaning) in exchange for sex.
- An Expert that is connecting electricity input to households says that he can connect women headed households to the grid in exchange for sex.
- An Expert rapes, or otherwise sexually assaults a member of the community.
- An Expert denies a person access to the Site unless he/she performs a sexual favor.
- An Expert tells a person applying for employment under the Contract that he/she will only hire him/her if he/she has sex with him/her.

(2) Examples of sexual harassment in a work context

- An Expert comment on the appearance of another Expert (either positive or negative) and sexual desirability.
- When An Expert complains about comments made by another Expert on his/her appearance, the other Expert comment that he/she is “asking for it” because of how he/she dresses.
- Unwelcome touching of an Expert or Employer’s Personnel by another Expert.

An Expert tells another Expert that he/she will get him/her a salary raise or promotion if he/she sends him/her naked photographs of himself/herself.

FORM TECH-8 (FOR FTP AND STP)
SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE (SEA) AND/OR SEXUAL HARASSMENT (SH)
PERFORMANCE DECLARATION

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Consultant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member's or Subconsultant's Name: *[insert full name]*

RFP No. and title: *[insert RFP number and title]*

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SEA and/or SH Declaration
<p>We:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> (a) have not been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> (b) are subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> (c) had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations. An arbitral award on the disqualification case has been made in our favor.</p> <p><i>[If (c) above is applicable, attach evidence of an arbitral award reversing the findings on the issues underlying the disqualification.]</i></p>

Section 4. Financial Proposal - Standard Forms

{*Notes to Consultant* shown in brackets { } provide guidance to the Consultant to prepare the Financial Proposals; they should not appear on the Financial Proposals to be submitted.}

Financial Proposal Standard Forms shall be used for the preparation of the Financial Proposal according to the instructions provided in Section 2.

FIN-1 Financial Proposal Submission Form

FIN-2 Summary of Costs

FIN-3 Breakdown of Remuneration

FIN-4 Reimbursable expenses

FORM FIN-1
FINANCIAL PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM

{Location, Date}

To
Project Director (PIU),
Deputy Municipal Commissioner (Project)
2ndFloor, Block-C, Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001

Dear Sirs:

We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consulting services for Hiring of Agency / resource personal to conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly under Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (G- ACRP in accordance with your Request for Proposal dated 20/12/2025 and our Technical Proposal.

Our attached Financial Proposal is for the amount of {Indicate the corresponding to the amount(s) currency(ies)} {Insert amount(s) in words and figures}, Excluding of all indirect local taxes in accordance with ITC 25.1 in the Data Sheet. The estimated amount of local indirect taxes is {Insert currency} {Insert amount in words and figures} which shall be confirmed or adjusted, if needed, during negotiations. {Please note that all amounts shall be the same as in Form FIN-2}.

Our Financial Proposal shall be valid and remain binding upon us, subject to the modifications resulting from Contract negotiations, for the period of time specified in the Data Sheet, ITC 12.1.

Commissions and gratuities paid or to be paid by us to an agent or any third party relating to preparation or submission of this Proposal and Contract execution, paid if we are awarded theContract, are listed below:

Name and Address of Agents	Amount and Currency	Purpose of Commission or Gratuity
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

{If no payments are made or promised, add the following statement: “No commissions or gratuities have been or are to be paid by us to agents or any third party relating to this Proposal and Contract execution.”}

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

We remain,

Yours sincerely,

Signature (of Consultant’s authorized representative) {In full and initials}:

Full name: {insert full name of authorized representative} Title:
{insert title/position of authorized representative} Name of
Consultant (company's name or JV's name):
Capacity: {insert the person's capacity to sign for the Consultant}
Address: {insert the authorized representative's address}
Phone/fax: {insert the authorized representative's phone and fax number, if applicable}
Email: {insert the authorized representative's email address}_____

{For a joint venture, either all members shall sign or only the lead member/consultant, in which case the power of attorney to sign on behalf of all members shall be attached}

FORM FIN-2 SUMMARY OF COSTS

Item	Cost			
	{Consultant must state the proposed Costs in accordance with ITC 16.4 of the Data Sheet; delete columns which are not used}			
	{Insert Foreign Currency # 1}	{Insert Foreign Currency # 2, if used}	{Insert Foreign Currency # 3, if used}	{Insert Local Currency, if used and/or required (16.4 Data Sheet)}
Cost of the Financial Proposal				
Including:				
(1) Remuneration				
(2) Reimbursables				
<u>Total Cost of the Financial Proposal:</u> {Should match the amount in Form FIN-1}				
Indirect Local Tax Estimates – to be discussed and finalized at the negotiations if the Contract is awarded				
(i) {insert type of tax e.g., VAT or salestax}				
(ii) {e.g., income tax on non-resident experts}				
(iii) {insert type of tax}				
<u>Total Estimate for Indirect Local Tax:</u>				

Footnote: Payments will be made in the currency (ies) expressed above (Reference to ITC 16.4).

FORM FIN-4 BREAKDOWN OF REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES

When used for Lump-Sum contract assignment, information to be provided in this Form shall only be used to demonstrate the basis for calculation of the Contract ceiling amount, to calculate applicable taxes at contract negotiations and, if needed, to establish payments to the Consultant for possible additional services requested by the Client. This form shall not be used as a basis for payments under Lump-Sum contracts

B. Reimbursable Expenses _____

N°	Type of Reimbursable Expenses	Unit	Unit Cost	Quantity	{Currency # 1- as in FIN-2}	{Currency # 2- as in FIN-2}	{Currency # 3- as in FIN-2}	{Local Currency- as in FIN-2}
	{e.g., Per diem allowances**}	{Day}						
	{e.g., International flights}	{Ticket}						
	{e.g., In/out airport transportation}	{Trip}						
	{e.g., Communication costs between Insert place and Insert place}							
	{e.g., reproduction of reports}							
	{e.g., Office rent}							
							
	{Training of the Client's personnel – if required in TOR}							
Total Costs								

Legend:

“Per diem allowance” is paid for each night the expert is required by the Contract to be away from his/her usual place of residence. Client can set up a ceiling.

FORM FIN-5

Item	Deliverables and structure of financial proposal	(Column A) #Unit Price (in INR)	(Column B) Quantity- Not to be changed	(Column C= Column A X Column B) Total Value (In INR)
I	Conducting site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly, for complete assignment.		1 Job	
II	GST	Not to be filled		
III	Total (I + II)	Not to be filled		
# This includes both remuneration and reimbursable amount. No other charges will be paid by the client other than quoted unit price for each contract.				

Section 5. Eligible Countries

In reference to ITC6.3.2, for the information of shortlisted Consultants, at the present time firms, goods and services from the following countries are excluded from this selection:

Under the ITC 6.3.2 (a): None

Under the ITC 6.3.2 (b): None

Section 6. Fraud and Corruption

(This Section 6, Fraud and Corruption shall not be modified)

1. Purpose

1.1 The Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines and this annex apply with respect to procurement under Bank Investment Project Financing operations.

2. Requirements

2.1 The Bank requires that Borrowers (including beneficiaries of Bank financing); bidders (applicants/proposers), consultants, contractors and suppliers; any sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers or suppliers; any agents (whether declared or not); and any of their personnel, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process, selection and contract execution of Bank-financed contracts, and refrain from Fraud and Corruption.

2.2 To this end, the Bank:

- a. Defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - i. "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - ii. "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
 - iii. "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - iv. "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
 - v. "obstructive practice" is:
 - (a) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a Bank investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or
 - (b) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's inspection and audit rights provided for under paragraph 2.2 e. below.
- b. Rejects a proposal for award if the Bank determines that the firm or individual recommended for award, any of its personnel, or its agents, or its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/ or their employees, has, directly or indirectly, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;
- c. In addition to the legal remedies set out in the relevant Legal Agreement, may take other appropriate actions, including declaring mis-procurement, if the Bank determines at any time that representatives of the Borrower or of a recipient of any part of the proceeds of the loan engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices during the

procurement process, selection and/or execution of the contract in question, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Bank to address such practices when they occur, including by failing to inform the Bank in a timely manner at the time they knew of the practices;

- d. Pursuant to the Bank's Anti- Corruption Guidelines and in accordance with the Bank's prevailing sanctions policies and procedures, may sanction a firm or individual, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, including by publicly declaring such firm or individual ineligible (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or in any other manner;¹ (ii) to be a nominated² sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a Bank-financed contract; and (iii) to receive the proceeds of any loan made by the Bank or otherwise to participate further in the preparation or implementation of any Bank-financed project;
- e. Requires that a clause be included in bidding/request for proposals documents and in contracts financed by a Bank loan, requiring (i) bidders (applicants/proposers), consultants, contractors, and suppliers, and their sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers, suppliers, agents personnel, permit the Bank to inspect³ all accounts, records and other documents relating to the procurement process, selection and/or contract execution, and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

¹ For the avoidance of doubt, a sanctioned party's ineligibility to be awarded a contract shall include, without limitation, (i) applying for pre-qualification, expressing interest in a consultancy, and bidding, either directly or as a nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider, in respect of such contract, and (ii) entering into an addendum or amendment introducing a material modification to any existing contract.

² A nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider (different names are used depending on the particular bidding document) is one which has been: (i) included by the bidder in its pre-qualification application or bid because it brings specific and critical experience and know-how that allow the bidder to meet the qualification requirements for the particular bid; or (ii) appointed by the Borrower.

³ Inspections in this context usually are investigative (i.e., forensic) in nature. They involve fact-finding activities undertaken by the Bank or persons appointed by the Bank to address specific matters related to investigations/audits, such as evaluating the veracity of an allegation of possible Fraud and Corruption, through the appropriate mechanisms. Such activity includes but is not limited to: accessing and examining a firm's or individual's financial records and information, and making copies thereof as relevant; accessing and examining any other documents, data and information (whether in hard copy or electronic format) deemed relevant for the investigation/audit, and making copies thereof as relevant; interviewing staff and other relevant individuals; performing physical inspections and site visits; and obtaining third party verification of information.

Section 7. Terms of Reference

Terms of Reference for Hiring of Agency / resource personal to conduct site-level Needs Assessment Study to identify on-the-job skills training and capacity building, facilities to be provided for informal women workers working on various site of work and carrying out of training and capacity building sessions accordingly under Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (G- ACRP)

A. Background

The Government of Gujarat (GoG), under the proposed Gujarat Resilient Cities Partnership: Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (GRCP), has requested the World Bank to support Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) in developing select resilient urban infrastructure to address the evolving needs of rapidly expanding urban population in the city. Despite good urban infrastructure coverage and basic urban service levels, Ahmedabad is facing several challenges due to rapid urban expansion, increasing climate change impacts and rising GHG emissions. These challenges have led to an increase in flooding instances, ground water depletion and contamination, gaps in municipal service levels, sub-optimal operational efficiencies in urban infrastructure systems, rising heat levels, etc. The proposed Gujarat Resilient Cities Partnership: Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (GRCP) will support AMC in addressing the key institutional, financial, and service delivery constraints to improve the resilience and sustainability of priority urban services. The PDO of the proposed program is to develop resilient and sustainable urban service delivery and financial systems in Ahmedabad. The program will comprise the following three components:

1. Component 1: Strengthening AMC's financial systems and performance.

This component will focus on strengthening AMC's financial systems and performance across a number of inter linked dimensions with the objective of unlocking the key constraints that AMC faces in generating adequate resources to fund its increasing long- term infrastructure investment needs in a sustainable and strategic manner. Accordingly, this component will support four activities: (i) improving municipal revenue performance, specifically focusing on property taxes, (ii) leveraging land-based financing, (iii) strengthening municipal financial management systems, and (iv) developing a climate- smart capital investment planning and budgeting system.

2. Component 2: Improving urban services in Ahmedabad.

Activities proposed under this component will support AMC in improving the coverage, quality, efficiency, sustainability, and resilience of select priority urban infrastructure services - wastewater management and storm water management, following an integrated and comprehensive life cycle assessment and service delivery approach. The key investment priorities to be financed in 'wastewater management, recycling and reuse' include: (i) expansion and up gradation of wastewater treatment facilities to ensure regulatory compliance with the new stringent national wastewater treatment and discharge standards, bridge the gap in treatment capacities, enhance treatment efficiencies, adopt resilient designs for infrastructure development, and prevent water pollution (ii) rehabilitation and integration of wastewater network systems by following an integrated catchment-based approach for network and treatment systems, (iii) up gradation and integration of existing city level SCADA system for enhanced operational control, process optimization and robust monitoring of wastewater system along with development of dedicated 'Trade Effluent Control and Monitoring' (TECM) system for continuous monitoring to enhance overall water resource governance, monitoring and accountability systems, and (iv) waste-water recycling

A. Project information

The Government of Gujarat (GoG) intends to utilize financial support from the World Bank for the Gujarat Resilient Cities Partnership: Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (G- ACRP) which aims to strengthen the institutional and service delivery systems for Urban Service Delivery (mainly, Sewerage and Drainage) and financial systems in the Municipal Corporation of Ahmedabad and to strengthen the State's institutional capacity and infrastructure for management of services in urban areas.

PDO Statement

To strengthen institutional, financial, and service delivery performance in Ahmedabad.

PDO Level Indicators

- i. Improved performance of AMC's property tax systems
- ii. People with access to improved, climate-resilient wastewater services (number, gender disaggregated)
- iii. Improved performance of AMC's wastewater management systems

The project will also support the development of safe working environment and support systems for promoting occupational mobility for informal women workers.

Each of the three project component has a non-marked sub-component related to women's (from the informal sector) occupational mobility, safe working environment and support system and women's employment in technical job roles.

B. Context

In India, according to the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO), women's participation in the informal sector increased from 42.5% in 2009-10 to 46.5% in 2015-16. A report by the International Labour Organization (ILO) estimates that the contribution of women to India's GDP through the informal sector is between 20% and 50%.

Despite women's significant contribution, they face numerous challenges. They are often engaged in low-paying and precarious work, and their working conditions are substandard. An ILO report states that women in the informal sector earn 40% to 50% less than men in the same sector. Moreover, the interest of women workers on construction site is never paid attention for their work inputs in spite of their wish to get engaged in particular skill work.

Under the World Bank funded Ahmedabad City Resilience Project (ACRP), at two construction sites, the construction work has already started and women workers are engaged on the site . There are other works in the pipeline, and those will be taken-up on the ground under the project.

To address the concerns of informal women workers regarding their skill development and ambition, there is a need to conduct an assessment on women capacity, skill levels, and work trajectories, and take actions according to the needs of women.

C. Objective of the study

- To find and understand what skills the informal women workers at the site need to improve through training programs.
- To develop / improve the skills of the informal women workers at the site.
- To measure the impact of this intervention by setting up a monitoring and evaluation system.

D. Scope of work

The Agency / resource personnel shall be responsible for the development of:

- Mapping of informal women workers working at identified work sites under the G-ACRP project.
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- Skill and opportunity mapping for the selected areas and development of an implementation strategy with a log-frame.
- Creation of a sustainable skill development project model and need based training materials for the project locations within Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC).
- Develop convergence with other government initiatives and schemes for managing the skill development activities, and leveraging the state skill development program.
- Co-ordinate (and impart wherever required) the training and capacity building of the informal women workers, for upgrading their skills. This will include the training to be given by the AGENCY / RESOURCE PERSONNEL to women workers for skill acquisition.
- Develop a monitoring and evaluation plan for quality and performance assessment.
- Pre-/Post Training assessments regarding skill enhancement.

Need assessment for Promoting occupational mobility for informal women workers: This will strengthen women workers inclusion in various skilled works by undertaking on-the-job skills modular training for an appropriate time duration linked to a (i) technical job role (e.g., masons, rod binders, sludge vehicle drivers, site-operators). (ii) To enhance awareness of sector-specific upskilling pathways and technical skills certification programs among informal women workers, enabling informed career advancement.

The technical skills training will be complemented by the delivery of life skills training for women workers, including digital literacy, financial literacy, reproductive literacy, and legal literacy. Finally, the project will support the design and roll-out of digital learning tools and performance assessments to help track women workers' uptake of technical skills and improvements in productivity and performance. It will also provide information on insurance, eligible safety nets, and life skills training including digital literacy.

Identifying of training modules: Based on the Need assessment Study, the agency / Resource personnel shall have to identify the area of trainings and other methods to develop required skills (as outcome of the need assessment). They Shall have to prepare training schedule / timeline / suitable arrangement and shall have to prepare detailed program for six months.

This shall also include the details of training, identified resource person or agency who are capable to impart these trainings. The training schedule shall also include the details of on site / on- the-job trainings and/or classroom trainings arrangements.

Schedule shall also include the details of training arrangement to schedule through government or private agencies regular training programs if any.

The prepared Schedule shall have to submitted to AMC Authorities and get them approved.

Agency / resource personnel will carry out entire assignment in coordination with the **Social experts of AMC & PMC.**

E. Area of study

- Vasna
- Pirana
- Other area of Ahmedabad city

F. Administrative Responsibilities of the AGENCY / RESOURCE PERSONAL

The administrative responsibilities of the AGENCY / RESOURCE PERSONNEL will include:

- Working in co-ordination with the AMC & PMC ;
- Report to the authority on a monthly and quarterly basis. The report should include physical and financial progress, both in quantitative and qualitative terms.
- Regular Data base management of the informal women workers mapping, Skill Matrix, Need assessment reports and training schedule in details as described under scope of work.

Reporting Requirements by AGENCY / RESOURCE PERSONAL

The AGENCY / RESOURCE PERSONNEL selected for the assignments shall be responsible to:

1. Submit Need assessment report and inception report within four weeks; on signing up of the contract including a work plan for the entire contract period, staffing and personnel deployment plan.
2. Prepare periodic reports to be submitted to the AMC AUTHORITY with weekly progress and work charts against the scheduled timeframe of implementation.
3. Prepare and submit quarterly reports on a regular basis, to be submitted to the AMC AUTHORITY,
4. Submit a project completion report at the end of the contract period summarizing the actions taken during the project, the methods and personnel used to carry out the assignment, and a summary of support/assistance given to the Informal Women Workers
5. All other reports/documentation as described in these terms of reference.
6. Record minutes of all meetings.
7. All progress reports shall include data on input and output indicators as required by the AMC AUTHORITY of AMC and PMC Social Experts. Reporting in writing as well as photographs, videos etc., taken during the assignment shall be submitted in support of the reports, along with an electronic/Digital copy of the documents in a Pen drive. All reports should be in English only. Accounts reports both on expenditure on administration as well as training and other heads shall be submitted with the quarterly and the completion reports.

G. Deliverables

The following deliverables are to be made on timely manner such as

1. Inception Report,
2. Needs Assessment,
3. Training Plan (with timeline, resource personnel and responsibility),
4. Periodic reports,
5. Monitoring Plan

H. Timeline

The assignment period is **7 months** (1 month for data collections and need assessment + 6 months for carrying out trainings) from the date of awarding the contract. However, the action plan for the intervention will be developed and will be finalized in consultation with AMC AUTHORITY/PIU within 10 days of the contract.

The needs assessment is expected to take approximately one month from start to finish, with the following breakdown:

- Month 1:
 - Week 1–2: Field data collection (surveys, interviews, FGDs)..
 - Week 3-4 : Data analysis and preliminary findings. Preparation and submission of the need assessment report and Training calendar with all details.
- Month 2–7 : Carrying out various trainings at different project locations

I. Payment Schedule & Budget

Sl. No	Deliverable	Payment Percentage	Time
1	Inception Report	10%	4 weeks from date of award of contract
2	Needs Assessment Report	30%	8 weeks from date of award of contract
3	Training Plan along with consolidated periodic and monitoring report submission – first 3 months	25%	14 weeks from date of award of contract
4	Training plan along with consolidated periodic and monitoring report submission–second 3 months	25%	26 weeks from date of award of contract
5	Project Completion Report	10%	28 weeks from date of award of contract

The above remuneration includes all costs related to carrying out the services, including overhead. The service tax or any other tax component shall be reimbursed/ paid to AGENCY / RESOURCE PERSONAL upon production of documents. The insurance cost will be separate of the total project cost; the client shall be billed for this.

The budget will include the following categories:

- Personnel Costs: Payment for survey enumerators, facilitators, and report writers.
- Field Logistics: Transport, accommodation, and supplies for field staff.
- Data Collection Tools: Printing, questionnaires, and tools for data analysis.
- Cost of resource/s for Training and capacity building sessions, including Training material, and tools.
- Miscellaneous Costs: Any unforeseen expenses during the assessment.

The final budget will be developed based on the detailed scope of the survey and available funding.

For all Training and capacity building sessions all logistics shall be provided by AMC AUTHORITY. These includes the venue, other facilities for the trainees etc.

J. Required expertise of the Agency / resource person

- The selected vendor should have proven experience in conducting impact evaluations, particularly relevant to the scope under this assignment. The vendor should possess strong analytical and report-writing skills.
- Interested organizations/agencies/ individual consultants are required to submit a detailed proposal that includes the proposed methodology, work plan, and budget. The proposal should also include the CVs of the evaluation team members and examples of previous relevant work. The submission should demonstrate the vendor's understanding of the ToR and objectives, the appropriateness of the proposed methodology, the experience and qualifications of the team, and the cost-effectiveness of the proposal.
- Proven track record in skill development and implementation of skill model in the areas under this assignment.
- Prior experience of work in Gujarat with necessary infrastructure, capacity and human resources.
- Expertise in database management, analyses and documentation.
- Ability to develop linkages with partners, stakeholders, the community and the private sector and develop synergy with them for achieving the deliverables.

K. Team composition

- Team Leader-cum-Skill Development Expert
- Economist
- Social Development and Gender Expert
- Documentation Expert
- Team of Field Personnel

Team for the Assignment

The AGENCY shall assign a team of professionals to the site. The constitution of the team and the qualification for the team members is given below:-

S. No.	Position	No. Of Positions	Qualifications
1.	Team Leader-cum-Skill Development Expert	1	The Team Leader should be a post-graduate in /social work/social science and should have experience of working in Community Development projects. S/he should have more than 5-7 years' experience in implementation of Livelihood, Skill Development and rural development works. S/he should have held responsible positions in previous assignments possess participatory management skills and should have good knowledge of the region and the local languages.
2.	Economist	1	Should be at least a post graduate in social work /Social science. S/he should have at least 5 years' experience in fieldwork. S/he should have participated in at least one project involving Livelihood and skill Development, Health awareness, income restoration activities, should have participatory knowledge of liaison, Knowledge of local language is a necessary qualification. S/he should have experience in livelihood analysis, developing and implementing skill development and livelihood vocational training, experience in participatory management.
3.	Social Development and Gender Expert	2	Should be at least a graduate in social sciences. S/he should have about 5 years of working experience of which about 2 years in rural development projects. Should have sound understanding of the Socio Economic survey, Training and Capacity Building programs and Need assessment process

S. No.	Position	No. Of Positions	Qualifications
			and experience in participatory management. S/he should have experience in livelihood analysis, developing and implementing skill development and livelihood, vocational training, Gender action plan, RCH/MCH, experience in participatory management. Knowledge of local language is a necessary qualification.
4.	Documentation Expert	Adequate as per the requirement	Should be graduate or equivalent in social sciences with 3 year relevant experience in Documentation, Reporting, data analysis, assessment reports, Budgeting, community development, rural development ad field work experiences. Knowledge of local language and experience of working in the region desired.
5.	Other Personnel support	Adequate as per the requirement	No minimum qualification but having Computer Proficiency is must.

PART II

Section 8. Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms

TIME-BASED FORM OF CONTRACT
STANDARD FORM OF CONTRACT

Consultant's Services

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Preface

1. The standard Contract form consists of four parts: the Form of Contract to be signed by the Client and the Consultant, the General Conditions of Contract (GCC), including Attachment 1 (Bank's Policy – Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices); the Special Conditions of Contract (SCC); and the Appendices.
2. The General Conditions of Contract, including Attachment 1, shall not be modified. The Special Conditions of Contract that contain clauses specific to each Contract intend to supplement, but not over-write or otherwise contradict, the General Conditions.

CONTRACT FOR CONSULTANT'S SERVICES

Lump-Sum

Project Name _____

[Loan/Credit/Grant] No. _____

Contract No. _____

between

[Name of the Client]

and

[Name of the Consultant]

Dated: _____

I. Form of Contract

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(Text in brackets [] is optional; all notes should be deleted in the final text)

This CONTRACT (hereinafter called the “Contract”) is made the *[number]* day of the month of *[month]*, *[year]*, between, on the one hand, *[name of Client or Recipient]* (hereinafter called the “Client”) and, on the other hand, *[name of Consultant]* (hereinafter called the “Consultant”).

*[If the Consultant consist of more than one entity, the above should be partially amended to read as follows: “...(hereinafter called the “Client”) and, on the other hand, a Joint Venture (name of the JV) consisting of the following entities, each member of which will be jointly and severally liable to the Client for all the Consultant’s obligations under this Contract, namely, *[name of member]* and *[name of member]* (hereinafter called the “Consultant”).]*

WHEREAS

- (a) the Client has requested the Consultant to provide certain consulting services as defined in this Contract (hereinafter called the “Services”);
- (b) the Consultant, having represented to the Client that it has the required professional skills, expertise and technical resources, has agreed to provide the Services on the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract;
- (c) the Client has received *[or has applied for]* a loan *[or credit or grant]* from the *[insert as relevant, International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) or International Development Association (IDA)]*: toward the cost of the Services and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this *[loan/credit/grant]* to eligible payments under this Contract, it being understood that (i) payments by the Bank will be made only at the request of the Client and upon approval by the Bank; (ii) such payments will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the *[loan/financing/grant]* agreement, including prohibitions of withdrawal from the *[loan/credit/grant]* account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of the Bank, is prohibited by the decision of the United Nations Security council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations; and (iii) no party other than the Client shall derive any rights from the *[loan/financing/grant]* agreement or have any claim to the *[loan/credit/grant]* proceeds;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

1. The following documents attached hereto shall be deemed to form an integral part of this Contract:
 - (a) The General Conditions of Contract (including Attachment 1 “Bank Policy – Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices);
 - (b) The Special Conditions of Contract;

(c) Appendices:

- Appendix A: Terms of Reference
- Appendix B: Key Experts
- Appendix C: Breakdown of Contract Price
- Appendix D: Form of Advance Payments Guarantee

In the event of any inconsistency between the documents, the following order of precedence shall prevail: the Special Conditions of Contract; the General Conditions of Contract, including Attachment 1; Appendix A; Appendix B; Appendix C; Appendix D. Any reference to this Contract shall include, where the context permits, a reference to its Appendices.

2. The mutual rights and obligations of the Client and the Consultant shall be as set forth in the Contract, in particular:
 - (a) the Consultant shall carry out the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Contract; and
 - (b) the Client shall make payments to the Consultant in accordance with the provisions of the 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 *[Name of Client]*

[Authorized Representative of the Client – name, title and signature]

For and on behalf of *[Name of Consultant or Name of a Joint Venture]*

[Authorized Representative of the Consultant – name and signature]

[For a joint venture, either all members shall sign or only the lead member, in which case the power of attorney to sign on behalf of all members shall be attached.]

For and on behalf of each of the members of the Consultant *[insert the Name of the Joint Venture]*

[Name of the lead member]

[Authorized Representative on behalf of a Joint Venture]

[add signature blocks for each member if all are signing]

II. General Conditions of Contract

A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Definitions

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

- (a) “Applicable Guidelines” means Guidelines for Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers, dated January 2011.
- (b) “Applicable Law” means the laws and any other instruments having the force of law in the Client’s country, or in such other country as may be specified in the **Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)**, as they may be issued and in force from time to time.
- (c) “Bank” means the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) or the International Development Association (IDA).
- (d) “Borrower” means the Government, Government agency or other entity that signs the financing agreement with the Bank.
- (e) “Client” means the implementing agency that signs the Contract for the Services with the Selected Consultant.
- (f) “Consultant” means a legally-established professional consulting firm or entity selected by the Client to provide the Services under the signed Contract.
- (g) “Contract” means the legally binding written agreement signed between the Client and the Consultant and which includes all the attached documents listed in its paragraph 1 of the Form of Contract (the General Conditions (GCC), the Special Conditions (SCC), and the Appendices).
- (h) “Day” means a working day unless indicated otherwise.
- (i) “Effective Date” means the date on which this Contract comes into force and effect pursuant to Clause GCC 11.
- (j) “Experts” means, collectively, Key Experts, Non-Key Experts, or any other personnel of the Consultant, Sub-consultant or JV member(s) assigned by the Consultant to perform the Services or any part thereof under the Contract.
- (k) “Foreign Currency” means any currency other than the currency of the Client’s country.
- (l) “GCC” means these General Conditions of Contract.

- (m) “Government” means the government of the Client’s country.
- (n) “Joint Venture (JV)” means an association with or without a legal personality distinct from that of its members, of more than one entity where one member has the authority to conduct all businesses for and on behalf of any and all the members of the JV, and where the members of the JV are jointly and severally liable to the Client for the performance of the Contract.
- (o) “Key Expert(s)” means an individual professional whose skills, qualifications, knowledge and experience are critical to the performance of the Services under the Contract and whose Curricula Vitae (CV) was taken into account in the technical evaluation of the Consultant’s proposal.
- (p) “Local Currency” means the currency of the Client’s country.
- (q) “Non-Key Expert(s)” means an individual professional provided by the Consultant or its Sub-consultant to perform the Services or any part thereof under the Contract.
- (r) “Party” means the Client or the Consultant, as the case may be, and “Parties” means both of them.
- (s) “SCC” means the Special Conditions of Contract by which the GCC may be amended or supplemented but not over-written.
- (t) “Services” means the work to be performed by the Consultant pursuant to this Contract, as described in Appendix A hereto.
- (u) “Sub-consultants” means an entity to whom/which the Consultant subcontracts any part of the Services while remaining solely liable for the execution of the Contract.
- (v) “Third Party” means any person or entity other than the Government, the Client, the Consultant or a Sub-consultant.

2. Relationship between the Parties

2.1. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing a relationship of master and servant or of principal and agent as between the Client and the Consultant. The Consultant, subject to this Contract, has complete charge of the Experts and Sub-consultants, if any, performing the Services and shall be fully responsible for the Services performed by them or on their behalf hereunder.

3. Law Governing Contract

3.1. This Contract, its meaning and interpretation, and the relation between the Parties shall be governed by the Applicable Law.

4. Language

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

5. Headings

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

6. Communications

6.1. Any communication required or permitted to be given or made pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing in the language specified in

Clause GCC 4. 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 to such Party at the address specified in the SCC.

6.2. A Party may change its address for notice hereunder by giving the other Party any communication of such change to the address specified in the SCC.

7. Location

7.1. The Services shall be performed at such locations as are specified in **Appendix A** hereto and, where the location of a particular task is not so specified, at such locations, whether in the Government's country or elsewhere, as the Client may approve.

8. Authority of Member in Charge

8.1. In case the Consultant is a Joint Venture, the members hereby authorize the member specified in the SCC to act on their behalf in exercising all the Consultant's rights and obligations towards the Client under this Contract, including without limitation the receiving of instructions and payments from the Client.

9. Authorized Representatives

9.1. Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed under this Contract by the Client or the Consultant may be taken or executed by the officials specified in the SCC.

10. Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices

10.1. The Bank requires compliance with its policy in regard to corrupt and fraudulent practices as set forth in **Attachment 1** to the GCC.

a. Commissions and Fees

10.2. The Client requires the Consultant to disclose any commissions, gratuities or fees that may have been paid or are to be paid to agents or any other party with respect to the selection process or execution of the Contract. The information disclosed must include at least the name and address of the agent or other party, the amount and currency, and the purpose of the commission, gratuity or fee. Failure to disclose such commissions, gratuities or fees may result in termination of the Contract and/or sanctions by the Bank.

B. COMMENCEMENT, COMPLETION, MODIFICATION AND TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

11. Effectiveness of Contract

11.1. This Contract shall come into force and effect on the date (the "Effective Date") of the Client's notice to the Consultant instructing the Consultant to begin carrying out the Services. This notice shall confirm that the effectiveness conditions, if any, listed in the SCC have been met.

12. Termination of Contract for Failure to Become Effective

12.1. If this Contract has not become effective within such time period after the date of Contract signature as specified in the SCC, either Party may, by not less than twenty two (22) days 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.

13. Commencement of Services

13.1. The Consultant shall confirm availability of Key Experts and begin carrying out the Services not later than the number of days after the Effective Date specified in the SCC.

- 14. Expiration of Contract** 14.1. Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Clause GCC 19 hereof, this Contract shall expire at the end of such time period after the Effective Date as specified in the SCC.
- 15. Entire Agreement** 15.1. 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.
- 16. Modifications or Variations** 16.1. Any modification or variation of the terms and conditions of this Contract, including any modification or variation of the scope of the Services, may only be made by written agreement between the Parties. However, each Party shall give due consideration to any proposals for modification or variation made by the other Party.
- 16.2. In cases of substantial modifications or variations, the prior written consent of the Bank is required.
- 17. Force Majeure**
- a. Definition** 17.1. For the purposes of this Contract, "Force Majeure" means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of a Party, is not foreseeable, is unavoidable, and makes a Party's performance of its obligations hereunder impossible or so impractical as reasonably to be considered impossible under the circumstances, and subject to those requirements, 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 confiscation or any other action by Government agencies.
- 17.2. Force Majeure shall not include (i) any event which is caused by the negligence or intentional action of a Party or such Party's Experts, Sub-consultants or agents or employees, nor (ii) any event which a diligent Party could reasonably have been expected to both take into account at the time of the conclusion of this Contract, and avoid or overcome in the carrying out of its obligations hereunder.
- 17.3. Force Majeure shall not include insufficiency of funds or failure to make any payment required hereunder.
- b. No Breach of Contract** 17.4. The failure of a Party to fulfill 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.
- c. Measures to be Taken** 17.5. A Party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall continue to perform its obligations under the Contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall take all reasonable measures to minimize the consequences of any event of Force Majeure.
- 17.6. A Party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall notify the other Party of such event as soon as possible, and in any case not later than fourteen (14) calendar days following the occurrence of such event,

providing evidence of the nature and cause of such event, and shall similarly give written notice of the restoration of normal conditions as soon as possible.

17.7. 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.

17.8. During the period of their inability to perform the Services as a result of an event of Force Majeure, the Consultant, upon instructions by the Client, shall either:

- (a) demobilize, in which case the Consultant shall be reimbursed for additional costs they reasonably and necessarily incurred, and, if required by the Client, in reactivating the Services; or
- (b) continue with the Services to the extent reasonably possible, in which case the Consultant shall continue to be paid under the terms of this Contract and be reimbursed for additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred.

17.9. In the case of disagreement between the Parties as to the existence or extent of Force Majeure, the matter shall be settled according to Clauses GCC 44 & 45.

18. Suspension

18.1. The Client may, by written notice of suspension to the Consultant, suspend all payments to the Consultant hereunder if the Consultant fails to perform any of its 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 Consultant to remedy such failure within a period not exceeding thirty (30) calendar days after receipt by the Consultant of such notice of suspension.

19. Termination

19.1. This Contract may be terminated by either Party as per provisions set up below:

a. By the Client

19.1.1. The Client may terminate this Contract in case of the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (f) of this Clause. In such an occurrence the Client shall give at least thirty (30) calendar days' written notice of termination to the Consultant in case of the events referred to in (a) through (d); at least sixty (60) calendar days' written notice in case of the event referred to in (e); and at least five (5) calendar days' written notice in case of the event referred to in (f):

- (a) If the Consultant fails to remedy a failure in the performance of its obligations hereunder, as specified in a notice of suspension pursuant to Clause GCC 18;
- (b) If the Consultant becomes (or, if the Consultant consists of more than one entity, if any of its members becomes) 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 Consultant fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration proceedings pursuant to Clause GCC 45.1;
- (d) If, as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultant is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) calendar days;
- (e) If the Client, in its sole discretion and for any reason whatsoever, decides to terminate this Contract;
- (f) If the Consultant fails to confirm availability of Key Experts as required in Clause GCC 13.

19.1.2. Furthermore, if the Client determines that the Consultant has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices, in competing for or in executing the Contract, then the Client may, after giving fourteen (14) calendar days written notice to the Consultant, terminate the Consultant's employment under the Contract.

b. By the Consultant

19.1.3. The Consultant may terminate this Contract, by not less than thirty (30) calendar days' written notice to the Client, in case of the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this Clause.

- (a) If the Client fails to pay any money due to the Consultant pursuant to this Contract and not subject to dispute pursuant to Clause GCC 45.1 within forty-five (45) calendar days after receiving written notice from the Consultant that such payment is overdue.
- (b) If, as the result of Force Majeure, the Consultant is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) calendar days.
- (c) If the Client fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration pursuant to Clause GCC 45.1.
- (d) If the Client 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 Consultant may have subsequently approved in writing) following the receipt by the Client of the Consultant's notice specifying such breach.

c. Cessation of Rights and Obligations

19.1.4. Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to Clauses GCC 12 or GCC 19 hereof, or upon expiration of this Contract pursuant to Clause GCC 14, 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 GCC 22, (iii) the Consultant's obligation to permit inspection, copying and auditing of their accounts and records set forth in Clause GCC 25, and (iv) any right which a Party may have under the Applicable Law.

d. Cessation of Services

19.1.5. Upon termination of this Contract by notice of either Party to the other pursuant to Clauses GCC 19a or GCC 19b, the Consultant 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 Consultant and equipment and materials furnished by the Client, the Consultant shall proceed as provided, respectively, by Clauses GCC 27 or GCC 28.

e. Payment upon Termination

19.1.6. Upon termination of this Contract, the Client shall make the following payments to the Consultant:

- (a) payment for Services satisfactorily performed prior to the effective date of termination; and
- (b) in the case of termination pursuant to paragraphs (d) and (e) of Clause GCC 19.1.1, reimbursement of any reasonable cost incidental to the prompt and orderly termination of this Contract, including the cost of the return travel of the Experts.

C. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CONSULTANT

20. General

a. Standard of Performance

20.1 The Consultant shall perform the Services and carry out the Services with all due diligence, efficiency and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional standards and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate technology and safe and effective equipment, machinery, materials and methods. The Consultant shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Contract or to the Services, as a faithful adviser to the Client, and shall at all times support and safeguard the Client's legitimate interests in any dealings with the third parties.

20.2. The Consultant shall employ and provide such qualified and experienced Experts and Sub-consultants as are required to carry out the Services.

20.3. The Consultant may subcontract part of the Services to an extent and with such Key Experts and Sub-consultants as may be approved in advance by the Client. Notwithstanding such approval, the Consultant shall retain full responsibility for the Services.

b. Law Applicable to Services

20.4. The Consultant shall perform the Services in accordance with the Contract and the Applicable Law and shall take all practicable steps to ensure that any of its Experts and Sub-consultants, comply with the Applicable Law.

20.5. Throughout the execution of the Contract, the Consultant shall comply with the import of goods and services prohibitions in the Client's country when

- (a) as a matter of law or official regulations, the Borrower's country prohibits commercial relations with that country; or
- (b) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, the Borrower's Country prohibits any import of goods from that country or any payments to any country, person, or entity in that country.

20.6. The Client shall notify the Consultant in writing of relevant local customs, and the Consultant shall, after such notification, respect such customs.

21. Conflict of Interests

21.1. The Consultant shall hold the Client's interests paramount, without any consideration for future work, and strictly avoid conflict with other assignments or their own corporate interests.

a. Consultant Not to Benefit from Commissions, Discounts, etc.

21.1.1 The payment of the Consultant pursuant to GCC F (Clauses GCC 38 through 42) shall constitute the Consultant's only payment in connection with this Contract and, subject to Clause GCC 21.1.3, the Consultant shall not accept for its own benefit any trade commission, discount or similar payment in connection with activities pursuant to this Contract or in the discharge of its obligations hereunder, and the Consultant shall use its best efforts to ensure that any Sub-consultants, as well as the Experts and agents of either of them, similarly shall not receive any such additional payment.

21.1.2 Furthermore, if the Consultant, as part of the Services, has the responsibility of advising the Client on the procurement of goods, works or services, the Consultant shall comply with the Bank's Applicable Guidelines, and shall at all times exercise such responsibility in the best interest of the Client. Any discounts or commissions obtained by the Consultant in the exercise of such procurement responsibility shall be for the account of the Client.

b. Consultant and Affiliates Not to Engage in Certain Activities

21.1.3 The Consultant agrees that, during the term of this Contract and after its termination, the Consultant and any entity affiliated with the Consultant, as well as any Sub-consultants and any entity affiliated with such Sub-consultants, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works or non-consulting services resulting from or directly related to the Consultant's Services for the preparation or implementation of the project, unless otherwise indicated in the SCC.

c. Prohibition of Conflicting Activities

21.1.4 The Consultant shall not engage, and shall cause its Experts as well as its Sub-consultants not to engage, either directly or indirectly, in any business or professional activities that would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Contract.

d. Strict Duty to

21.1.5 The Consultant has an obligation and shall ensure that its

Disclose Conflicting Activities	Experts and Sub-consultants shall have an obligation to disclose any situation of actual or potential conflict that impacts their capacity to serve the best interest of their Client, or that may reasonably be perceived as having this effect. Failure to disclose said situations may lead to the disqualification of the Consultant or the termination of its Contract.
22. Confidentiality	22.1 Except with the prior written consent of the Client, the Consultant and the Experts shall not at any time communicate to any person or entity any confidential information acquired in the course of the Services, nor shall the Consultant and the Experts make public the recommendations formulated in the course of, or as a result of, the Services.
23. Liability of the Consultant	23.1 Subject to additional provisions, if any, set forth in the SCC, the Consultant's liability under this Contract shall be provided by the Applicable Law.
24. Insurance to be Taken out by the Consultant	24.1 The Consultant (i) shall take out and maintain, and shall cause any Sub-consultants to take out and maintain, at its (or the Sub-consultants', as the case may be) own cost but on terms and conditions approved by the Client, insurance against the risks, and for the coverage specified in the SCC, and (ii) at the Client's request, shall provide evidence to the Client showing that such insurance has been taken out and maintained and that the current premiums therefore have been paid. The Consultant shall ensure that such insurance is in place prior to commencing the Services as stated in Clause GCC 13.
25. Accounting, Inspection and Auditing	<p>25.1 The Consultant shall keep, and shall make all reasonable efforts to cause its Sub-consultants to keep, accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the Services and in such form and detail as will clearly identify relevant time changes and costs.</p> <p>25.2 The Consultant shall permit and shall cause its Sub-consultants to permit, the Bank and/or persons appointed by the Bank to inspect the Site and/or all accounts and records relating to the performance of the Contract and the submission of the Proposal to provide the Services, and to have such accounts and records audited by auditors appointed by the Bank if requested by the Bank. The Consultant's attention is drawn to Clause GCC 10 which provides, inter alia, that acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's inspection and audit rights provided for under this Clause GCC 25.2 constitute a prohibited practice subject to contract termination (as well as to a determination of ineligibility under the Bank's prevailing sanctions procedures.)</p>
26. Reporting Obligations	26.1 The Consultant shall submit to the Client the reports and documents specified in Appendix A , in the form, in the numbers and within the time periods set forth in the said Appendix.
27. Proprietary Rights of the Client in Reports and Records	27.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the SCC, all reports and relevant data and information such as maps, diagrams, plans, databases, other documents and software, supporting records or material compiled or prepared by the Consultant for the Client in the course of the Services shall be confidential

and become and remain the absolute property of the Client. The Consultant shall, not later than upon termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents to the Client, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The Consultant may retain a copy of such documents, data and/or software but shall not use the same for purposes unrelated to this Contract without prior written approval of the Client.

27.2 If license agreements are necessary or appropriate between the Consultant and third parties for purposes of development of the plans, drawings, specifications, designs, databases, other documents and software, the Consultant shall obtain the Client's prior written approval to such agreements, and the Client shall be entitled at its discretion to require recovering the expenses related to the development of the program(s) concerned. Other restrictions about the future use of these documents and software, if any, shall be specified in the SCC.

28. Equipment, Vehicles and Materials

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

28.2 Any equipment or materials brought by the Consultant or its Experts into the Client's country for the use either for the project or personal use shall remain the property of the Consultant or the Experts concerned, as applicable.

D. CONSULTANT'S EXPERTS AND SUB-CONSULTANTS

29. Description of Key Experts

29.1 The title, agreed job description, minimum qualification and estimated period of engagement to carry out the Services of each of the Consultant's Key Experts are described in **Appendix B**.

30. Replacement of Key Experts

30.1 Except as the Client may otherwise agree in writing, no changes shall be made in the Key Experts.

30.2 Notwithstanding the above, the substitution of Key Experts during Contract execution may be considered only based on the Consultant's written request and due to circumstances outside the reasonable control of the Consultant, including but not limited to death or medical incapacity. In such case, the Consultant shall forthwith provide as a replacement, a person of equivalent or better qualifications and experience, and at the same rate of remuneration.

31. Removal of Experts or Sub-consultants

31.1 If the Client finds that any of the Experts or Sub-consultant has committed serious misconduct or has been charged with having committed a criminal action, or shall the Client determine that Consultant's Expert of

Sub-consultant have engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practice while performing the Services, the Consultant shall, at the Client's written request, provide a replacement.

31.2 In the event that any of Key Experts, Non-Key Experts or Sub-consultants is found by the Client to be incompetent or incapable in discharging assigned duties, the Client, specifying the grounds therefore, may request the Consultant to provide a replacement.

31.3 Any replacement of the removed Experts or Sub-consultants shall possess better qualifications and experience and shall be acceptable to the Client.

31.4 The Consultant shall bear all costs arising out of or incidental to any removal and/or replacement of such Experts.

E. OBLIGATIONS OF THE CLIENT

32. Assistance and Exemptions

32.1 Unless otherwise specified in the SCC, the Client shall use its best efforts to:

- (a) Assist the Consultant with obtaining work permits and such other documents as shall be necessary to enable the Consultant to perform the Services.
- (b) Assist the Consultant with promptly obtaining, for the Experts and, if appropriate, their eligible dependents, all necessary entry and exit visas, residence permits, exchange permits and any other documents required for their stay in the Client's country while carrying out the Services under the Contract.
- (c) Facilitate prompt clearance through customs of any property required for the Services and of the personal effects of the Experts and their eligible dependents.
- (c) Issue to officials, agents and representatives of the Government all such instructions and information as may be necessary or appropriate for the prompt and effective implementation of the Services.
- (d) Assist the Consultant and the Experts and any Sub-consultants employed by the Consultant for the Services with obtaining exemption from any requirement to register or obtain any permit to practice their profession or to establish themselves either individually or as a corporate entity in the Client's country according to the applicable law in the Client's country.
- (e) Assist the Consultant, any Sub-consultants and the Experts of either of them with obtaining the privilege, pursuant to the applicable law in the Client's country, of bringing into the Client's country reasonable amounts of foreign currency for the purposes of the Services or for the personal use of the Experts and of withdrawing any such amounts as

may be earned therein by the Experts in the execution of the Services.

- (f) Provide to the Consultant any such other assistance as may be specified in the **SCC**.

- 33. Access to Project Site** 33.1 The Client warrants that the Consultant shall have, free of charge, unimpeded access to the project site in respect of which access is required for the performance of the Services. The Client will be responsible for any damage to the project site or any property thereon resulting from such access and will indemnify the Consultant and each of the experts in respect of liability for any such damage, unless such damage is caused by the willful default or negligence of the Consultant or any Sub-consultants or the Experts of either of them.
- 34. Change in the Applicable Law Related to Taxes and Duties** 34.1 If, after the date of this Contract, there is any change in the applicable law in the Client's country with respect to taxes and duties which increases or decreases the cost incurred by the Consultant in performing the Services, then the remuneration and reimbursable expenses otherwise payable to the Consultant under this Contract shall be increased or decreased accordingly by agreement between the Parties hereto, and corresponding adjustments shall be made to the Contract price amount specified in Clause GCC 38.1
- 35. Services, Facilities and Property of the Client** 35.1 The Client shall make available to the Consultant and the Experts, for the purposes of the Services and free of any charge, the services, facilities and property described in the Terms of Reference (**Appendix A**) at the times and in the manner specified in said **Appendix A**.
- 36. Counterpart Personnel** 36.1 The Client shall make available to the Consultant free of charge such professional and support counterpart personnel, to be nominated by the Client with the Consultant's advice, if specified in **Appendix A**.
- 36.2 Professional and support counterpart personnel, excluding Client's liaison personnel, shall work under the exclusive direction of the Consultant. If any member of the counterpart personnel fails to perform adequately any work assigned to such member by the Consultant that is consistent with the position occupied by such member, the Consultant may request the replacement of such member, and the Client shall not unreasonably refuse to act upon such request.
- 37. Payment Obligation** 37.1 In consideration of the Services performed by the Consultant under this Contract, the Client shall make such payments to the Consultant for the deliverables specified in **Appendix A** and in such manner as is provided by GCC F below.

F. PAYMENTS TO THE CONSULTANT

- 38. Contract Price** 38.1 The Contract price is fixed and is set forth in the **SCC**. The Contract price breakdown is provided in **Appendix C**.
- 38.2 Any change to the Contract price specified in Clause 38.1 can be made only if the Parties have agreed to the revised scope of Services pursuant

to Clause GCC 16 and have amended in writing the Terms of Reference in **Appendix A**.

39. Taxes and Duties

39.1 The Consultant, Sub-consultants and Experts are responsible for meeting any and all tax liabilities arising out of the Contract unless it is stated otherwise in the **SCC**.

39.2 As an exception to the above and as stated in the **SCC**, all local identifiable indirect taxes (itemized and finalized at Contract negotiations) are reimbursed to the Consultant or are paid by the Client on behalf of the Consultant.

40. Currency of Payment

40.1 Any payment under this Contract shall be made in the currency(ies) of the Contract.

41. Mode of Billing and Payment

41.1 The total payments under this Contract shall not exceed the Contract price set forth in Clause GCC 38.1.

41.2 The payments under this Contract shall be made in lump-sum installments against deliverables specified in **Appendix A**. The payments will be made according to the payment schedule stated in the **SCC**.

41.2.1 Advance payment: Unless otherwise indicated in the **SCC**, an advance payment shall be made against an advance payment bank guarantee acceptable to the Client in an amount (or amounts) and in a currency (or currencies) specified in the **SCC**. Such guarantee (i) is to remain effective until the advance payment has been fully set off, and (ii) is to be in the form set forth in **Appendix D**, or in such other form as the Client shall have approved in writing. The advance payments will be set off by the Client in equal portions against the lump-sum installments specified in the **SCC** until said advance payments have been fully set off.

41.2.2 The Lump-Sum Installment Payments. The Client shall pay the Consultant within sixty (60) days after the receipt by the Client of the deliverable(s) and the cover invoice for the related lump-sum installment payment. The payment can be withheld if the Client does not approve the submitted deliverable(s) as satisfactory in which case the Client shall provide comments to the Consultant within the same sixty (60) days period. The Consultant shall thereupon promptly make any necessary corrections, and thereafter the foregoing process shall be repeated.

41.2.3 The Final Payment. The final payment under this Clause shall be made only after the final report have been submitted by the Consultant and approved as satisfactory by the Client. The Services shall then be deemed completed and finally accepted by the Client. The last lump-sum installment shall be deemed approved for payment by the Client within ninety (90) calendar days after receipt of the final report by the Client unless the Client, within such ninety (90) calendar day period, gives written notice to the Consultant specifying in detail deficiencies in the Services, the final report. The Consultant shall thereupon promptly

make any necessary corrections, and thereafter the foregoing process shall be repeated. 41.2.4 All payments under this Contract shall be made to the accounts of the Consultant specified in the SCC.

41.2.4 With the exception of the final payment under 41.2.3 above, payments do not constitute acceptance of the whole Services nor relieve the Consultant of any obligations hereunder.

42. Interest on Delayed Payments

42.1 If the Client had delayed payments beyond fifteen (15) days after the due date stated in Clause GCC 41.2.2 , interest shall be paid to the Consultant on any amount due by, not paid on, such due date for each day of delay at the annual rate stated in the SCC.

G. FAIRNESS AND GOOD FAITH

43. Good Faith

43.1 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.

H. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

44. Amicable Settlement

44.1 The Parties shall seek to resolve any dispute amicably by mutual consultation.

44.2 If either Party objects to any action or inaction of the other Party, the objecting Party may file a written Notice of Dispute to the other Party providing in detail the basis of the dispute. The Party receiving the Notice of Dispute will consider it and respond in writing within fourteen (14) days after receipt. If that Party fails to respond within fourteen (14) days, or the dispute cannot be amicably settled within fourteen (14) days following the response of that Party, Clause GCC 45.1 shall apply.

45. Dispute Resolution

45.1 Any dispute between the Parties arising under or related to this Contract that cannot be settled amicably may be referred to by either Party to the adjudication/arbitration in accordance with the provisions specified in the SCC.

II. General Conditions

Attachment 1: Bank’s Policy – Corrupt and Fraudulent Practices

(the text in this Attachment 1 shall not be modified)

Guidelines for Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers, dated January 2011:

“Fraud and Corruption

1.23 It is the Bank’s policy to require that Borrowers (including beneficiaries of Bank loans), consultants, and their agents (whether declared or not), sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers, or suppliers, and any personnel thereof, observe the highest standard of ethics during the selection and execution of Bank-financed contracts [footnote: In this context, any action taken by a consultant or any of its personnel, or its agents, or its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, services providers, suppliers, and/or their employees, to influence the selection process or contract execution for undue advantage is improper.]. In pursuance of this policy, the Bank:

(a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:

- (i) “corrupt practice” is the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party¹;
- (ii) “fraudulent practice” is any act or omission, including misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation²;
- (iii) “collusive practices” is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party³;
- (iv) “coercive practices” is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party⁴;

¹ For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, “another party” refers to a public official acting in relation to the selection process or contract execution. In this context “public official” includes World Bank staff and employees of other organizations taking or reviewing selection decisions.

² For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, “party” refers to a public official; the terms “benefit” and “obligation” relate to the selection process or contract execution; and the “act or omission” is intended to influence the selection process or contract execution.

³ For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, “parties” refers to participants in the procurement or selection process (including public officials) attempting either themselves, or through another person or entity not participating in the procurement or selection process, to simulate competition or to establish prices at artificial, non-competitive levels, or are privy to each other’s bid prices or other conditions.

⁴ For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, “party” refers to a participant in the selection process or contract execution.

- (v) “obstructive practice” is
- (aa) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a Bank investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation, or
 - (bb) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank’s inspection and audit rights;
- (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the consultant recommended for award or any of its personnel, or its agents, or its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, services providers, suppliers, and/or their employees, has, directly or indirectly, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;
- (c) will declare misprocurement and cancel the portion of the Loan allocated to a contract if it determines at any time that representatives of the Borrower or of a recipient of any part of the proceeds of the Loan were engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices during the selection process or the implementation of the contract in question, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Bank to address such practices when they occur, including by failing to inform the Bank in a timely manner they knew of the practices;
- (d) will sanction a firm or an individual at any time, in accordance with prevailing Bank’s sanctions procedures⁵, including by publicly declaring such firm or an ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time: (i) to be awarded a Bank-financed contract, and (ii) to be a nominated⁶ sub-consultant, supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a Bank-financed contract.

⁵ A firm or an individual may be declared ineligible to be awarded a Bank-financed contract upon (i) completion of the Bank’s sanctions proceedings as per its sanctions procedures, including inter alia: cross-debarment as agreed with other International Financial Institutions, including Multilateral Development Banks, and through the application of the World Bank Group corporate administrative procurement sanctions procedures for fraud and corruption; and (ii) as a result of temporary suspension or early temporary suspension in connection with an ongoing sanctions proceedings. See footnote 12 and paragraph 8 of Appendix 1 of these Guidelines.

⁶ A nominated sub-consultant, supplier, or service provider is one which has been either (i) included by the consultant in its proposal because it brings specific and critical experience and know-how that are accounted for in the technical evaluation of the consultant’s proposal for the particular services; or (ii) appointed by the Borrower.

III. Special Conditions of Contract

Number of GC Clause	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract
1.1(b) and 3.1	The Contract shall be construed in accordance with the law of India
4.1	The language is: English
6.1 and 6.2	<p>The addresses are:</p> <p>Client : Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation Project Director (PIU), Deputy Municipal Commissioner (Project) 2ndFloor,Block-C,Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001 Telephone No. : 07925391811 Email:-piugrcdpamc@gmail.com</p> <p>Consultant : _____</p> <p>Attention : _____</p> <p>Facsimile : _____</p> <p>E-mail (where permitted) : _____</p>
8.1	<p>The Lead Member on behalf of the JV is _____</p> <p>_____ <i>[insert name of the member]</i></p>
9.1	<p>The Authorized Representatives are:</p> <p>For the Client: City Engineer (WRM), 2ndFloor,Block-C,Sardar Patel Bhavan, Danapith, Ahmedabad-380001</p> <p>For the Consultant: <i>[name, title]</i> _____</p>
11.1	The effectiveness conditions are the following: <i>Signing of contract agreement</i>
12.1	<p>Termination of Contract for Failure to Become Effective:</p> <p>The time period shall be 15 days</p>
13.1	<p>Commencement of Services:</p> <p>The number of days shall be 30 days</p>

	Confirmation of Key Experts' availability to start the Assignment shall be submitted to the Client in writing as a written statement signed by each Key Expert.
14.1	Expiration of Contract: The time period shall be 7 Months
21 b.	The Client reserves the right to determine on a case-by-case basis whether the Consultant should be disqualified from providing goods, works or non-consulting services due to a conflict of a nature described in Clause GCC 21.1.3 Yes
23.1	<p>The following limitation of the Consultant's Liability towards the Client can be subject to the Contract's negotiations:</p> <p>"Limitation of the Consultant's Liability towards the Client:</p> <p>(a) Except in the case of gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the Consultant or on the part of any person or a firm acting on behalf of the Consultant in carrying out the Services, the Consultant, with respect to damage caused by the Consultant to the Client's property, shall not be liable to the Client:</p> <p>(i) for any indirect or consequential loss or damage; and</p> <p>(ii) for any direct loss or damage that exceeds [insert a multiplier, e.g.: one, two, three] times the total value of the Contract;</p> <p>(b) This limitation of liability shall not</p> <p>(i) affect the Consultant's liability, if any, for damage to Third Parties caused by the Consultant or any person or firm acting on behalf of the Consultant in carrying out the Services;</p> <p>(ii) be construed as providing the Consultant with any limitation or exclusion from liability which is prohibited by the [insert "Applicable Law", if it is the law of the Client's country, or insert "applicable law in the Client's country", if the Applicable Law stated in Clause SCC1.1 (b) is different from the law of the Client's country].</p> <p>[Notes to the Client and the Consultant: Any suggestions made by the Consultant in the Proposal to introduce exclusions/limitations of the Consultant's liability under the Contract should be carefully scrutinized by the Client and discussed with the Bank prior to accepting any changes to what was included in the issued RFP. In this regard, the Parties should be aware of the Bank's policy on this matter which is as follows:</p> <p>To be acceptable to the Bank, any limitation of the Consultant's liability should at the very least be reasonably related to (a) the damage the Consultant might potentially cause to the Client, and (b) the Consultant's ability to pay compensation using its own assets and reasonably obtainable insurance coverage. The Consultant's liability shall not be limited to less</p>

	<p>than a multiplier of the total payments to the Consultant under the Contract for remuneration and reimbursable expenses. A statement to the effect that the Consultant is liable only for the re-performance of faulty Services is not acceptable to the Bank. Also, the Consultant's liability should never be limited for loss or damage caused by the Consultant's gross negligence or willful misconduct.</p> <p>The Bank does not accept a provision to the effect that the Client shall indemnify and hold harmless the Consultant against Third Party claims, except, of course, if a claim is based on loss or damage caused by a default or wrongful act of the Client to the extent permissible by the law applicable in the Client's country.]</p>
24.1	<p>The insurance coverage against the risks shall be as follows:</p> <p>[Note: Delete what is not applicable except (a)].</p> <p>(a) Professional liability insurance, with a minimum coverage of two times of the contract price</p> <p>(b) Third Party motor vehicle liability insurance in respect of motor vehicles operated in the Client's country by the Consultant or its Experts or Sub-consultants, with a minimum coverage of as per Motor Vehicle Act 1988</p> <p>(c) Third Party liability insurance, with a minimum coverage of Rs.10 lacs (Rupees ten Lacs.) (After each occurrence the Consultant shall repay premium necessary to make insurance valid for this amount always);</p> <p>(d) employer's liability and workers' compensation insurance in respect of the experts and Sub-consultants in accordance with the relevant provisions of the applicable law in the Client's country, as well as, with respect to such Experts, any such life, health, accident, travel or other insurance as may be appropriate; and</p> <p>(e) insurance against loss of or damage to (i) equipment purchased in whole or in part with funds provided under this Contract, (ii) the Consultant's property used in the performance of the Services, and (iii) any documents prepared by the Consultant in the performance of the Services.</p>
27.1	No exceptions
27.2	The Consultant shall not use these documents for purposes unrelated to this Contract without the prior written approval of the Client.
32.1 (a) through (e)	[List here any changes or additions to Clause GCC 327.1. If there are no such changes or additions, delete this Clause SCC 321.]

32.1(f)	[List here any other assistance to be provided by the Client. If there is no such other assistance, delete this Clause SCC 32.1(f).]
38.1	<p>The Contract price is: Rs.Lakh [insert amount] [indicate: inclusive or exclusive] of local indirect taxes.</p> <p>Any indirect local taxes chargeable in respect of this Contract for the Services provided by the Consultant shall be paid by the Consultant. The Client shall only reimburse Goods & Services Tax (GST) payable on the contract value by the consultants, as per Applicable Law in India subject to the Client, performing such duties in regard to the deduction of taxes as may be lawfully imposed. However, Consultant shall have to produce to the Client, all relevant documents establishing the proof of payment/ filing of return to the tax authority etc. The consultant shall register itself for GST with appropriate authority in India & shall provide the Registration Number to the Client.</p> <p>The amount of such taxes is _____ [insert the amount as finalized at the Contract's negotiations on the basis of the estimates provided by the Consultant in Form FIN-2 of the Consultant's Financial Proposal.]</p>
39.1 and 39.2	<p>[The Bank leaves it to the Client to decide whether the Consultant (i) should be exempted from indirect local tax, or (ii) should be reimbursed by the Client for any such tax they might have to pay (or that the Client would pay such tax on behalf of the Consultant)]</p> <p>The Client warrants that [choose one applicable option consistent with the ITC 16.3 and the outcome of the Contract's negotiations (Form FIN-2, part B "Indirect Local Tax – Estimates"):</p> <p>If ITC16.3 indicates a tax exemption status, include the following: "the Consultant, the Sub-consultants and the Experts shall be exempt from"</p> <p>OR</p> <p>If ITC16.3 does not indicate the exemption and, depending on whether the Client shall pay the withholding tax or the Consultant has to pay, include the following:</p> <p>"the Client shall pay on behalf of the Consultant, the Sub-consultants and the Experts," OR "the Client shall reimburse the Consultant, the Sub-consultants and the Experts"]</p> <p>any indirect taxes, duties, fees, levies and other impositions imposed, under the applicable law in the Client's country, on the Consultant, the Sub-consultants and the Experts in respect of:</p> <p>(a) any payments whatsoever made to the Consultant, Sub-consultants and the Experts (other than nationals or permanent residents of the Client's country), in connection with the carrying out of the Services;</p> <p>(b) any equipment, materials and supplies brought into the Client's country by the Consultant or Sub-consultants for the purpose of carrying out the Services and which, after having been brought into such territories, will be subsequently withdrawn by them;</p> <p>(c) any equipment imported for the purpose of carrying out the Services and paid for out of funds provided by the Client and which is treated as property of the Client;</p> <p>(d) any property brought into the Client's country by the Consultant, any Sub-consultants or the Experts (other than nationals or permanent</p>

	<p>residents of the Client’s country), or the eligible dependents of such experts for their personal use and which will subsequently be withdrawn by them upon their respective departure from the Client’s country, provided that:</p> <p>(i) the Consultant, Sub-consultants and experts shall follow the usual customs procedures of the Client’s country in importing property into the Client’s country; and</p> <p>(ii) if the Consultant, Sub-consultants or Experts do not withdraw but dispose of any property in the Client’s country upon which customs duties and taxes have been exempted, the Consultant, Sub-consultants or Experts, as the case may be, (a) shall bear such customs duties and taxes in conformity with the regulations of the Client’s country, or (b) shall reimburse them to the Client if they were paid by the Client at the time the property in question was brought into the Client’s country.</p>																		
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41.2.1	<p>The following provisions shall apply to the advance payment and the advance bank payment guarantee:</p> <p>(1) An advance payment of 10% shall be made within 21 days after the receipt of an advance bank payment guarantee by the Client. The advance payment will be set off by the Client in equal portions against [list the payments against which the advance is offset].</p> <p>(2) The advance bank payment guarantee shall be in the amount and in the currency of the currency(ies) of the advance payment.</p> <p>(3) The bank guarantee will be released when the advance payment has been fully set off.</p>																		

41.2.4	<p>The accounts are:</p> <p>for local currency: [insert account].</p>
42.1	The interest rate is: 4%
45.1	<p>Disputes shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the following provisions:</p> <p>1. Selection of Arbitrators. Each dispute submitted by a Party to arbitration shall be heard by a sole arbitrator or an arbitration panel composed of three (3) arbitrators, in accordance with the following provisions:</p> <p>(a) Where the Parties agree that the dispute concerns a technical matter, they may agree to appoint a sole arbitrator or, failing agreement on the identity of such sole arbitrator within thirty (30) days after receipt by the other Party of the proposal of a name for such an appointment by the Party who initiated the proceedings, either Party may apply to [name an appropriate international professional body, e.g., the Federation Internationale des Ingenieurs-Conseil (FIDIC) of Lausanne, Switzerland] for a list of not fewer than five (5) nominees and, on receipt of such list, the Parties shall alternately strike names therefrom, and the last remaining nominee on the list shall be the sole arbitrator for the matter in dispute. If the last remaining nominee has not been determined in this manner within sixty (60) days of the date of the list, [insert the name of the same professional body as above] shall appoint, upon the request of either Party and from such list or otherwise, a sole arbitrator for the matter in dispute.</p> <p>(b) Where the Parties do not agree that the dispute concerns a technical matter, the Client and the Consultant shall each appoint one (1) arbitrator, and these two arbitrators shall jointly appoint a third arbitrator, who shall chair the arbitration panel. If the arbitrators named by the Parties do not succeed in appointing a third arbitrator within thirty (30) days after the latter of the two (2) arbitrators named by the Parties has been appointed, the third arbitrator shall, at the request of either Party, be appointed by [name an appropriate international appointing authority, e.g., the Secretary General of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague; the Secretary General of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes, Washington, D.C.; the International Chamber of Commerce, Paris; etc.].</p> <p>(c) If, in a dispute subject to paragraph (b) above, one Party fails to appoint its arbitrator within thirty (30) days after the other Party has appointed its arbitrator, the Party which has named an arbitrator may apply to the [name the same appointing authority as in said paragraph (b)] to appoint a sole arbitrator for the matter in dispute, and the arbitrator appointed pursuant to such application shall be the sole arbitrator for that dispute.</p>

	<p>2. Rules of Procedure. Except as otherwise stated herein, arbitration proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure for arbitration of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) as in force on the date of this Contract.</p> <p>3. Substitute Arbitrators. If for any reason an arbitrator is unable to perform his/her function, a substitute shall be appointed in the same manner as the original arbitrator.</p> <p>4. Nationality and Qualifications of Arbitrators. The sole arbitrator or the third arbitrator appointed pursuant to paragraphs 1(a) through 1(c) above shall be an internationally recognized legal or technical expert with extensive experience in relation to the matter in dispute and shall not be a national of the Consultant's home country [If the Consultant consists of more than one entity, add: or of the home country of any of their members or Parties] or of the Government's country. For the purposes of this Clause, "home country" means any of:</p> <p>(a) the country of incorporation of the Consultant [If the Consultant consists of more than one entity, add: or of any of their members or Parties]; or</p> <p>(b) the country in which the Consultant's [or any of their members' or Parties'] principal place of business is located; or</p> <p>(c) the country of nationality of a majority of the Consultant's [or of any members' or Parties'] shareholders; or</p> <p>(d) the country of nationality of the Sub-consultants concerned, where the dispute involves a subcontract.</p>
	<p>5. Miscellaneous. In any arbitration proceeding hereunder:</p> <p>(a) proceedings shall, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, be held in [select a country which is neither the Client's country nor the Consultant's country];</p> <p>(b) the [type of language] language shall be the official language for all purposes; and</p> <p>(c) the decision of the sole arbitrator or of a majority of the arbitrators (or of the third arbitrator if there is no such majority) shall be final and binding and shall be enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction, and the Parties hereby waive any objections to or claims of immunity in respect of such enforcement.</p>

IV. Appendices

APPENDIX A – TERMS OF REFERENCE

[This Appendix shall include the final Terms of Reference (TORs) worked out by the Client and the Consultant during the negotiations; dates for completion of various tasks; location of performance for different tasks; detailed reporting requirements and list of deliverables against which the payments to the Consultant will be made; Client's input, including counterpart personnel assigned by the Client to work on the Consultant's team; specific tasks or actions that require prior approval by the Client.]

Insert the text based on the Section 7 (Terms of Reference) of the ITC in the RFP and modified based on the Forms TECH-1 through TECH-5 of the Consultant's Proposal. Highlight the changes to Section 7 of the RFP]

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APPENDIX B - KEY EXPERTS

[Insert a table based on Form TECH-6 of the Consultant's Technical Proposal and finalized at the Contract's negotiations. Attach the CVs (updated and signed by the respective Key Experts) demonstrating the qualifications of Key Experts.]

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APPENDIX C – BREAKDOWN OF CONTRACT PRICE

[Insert the table with the unit rates to arrive at the breakdown of the lump-sum price. The table shall be based on [Form FIN-3 and FIN-4] of the Consultant's Proposal and reflect any changes agreed at the Contract negotiations, if any. The footnote shall list such changes made to [Form FIN-3 and FIN-4] at the negotiations or state that none has been made.]

When the Consultant has been selected under Quality-Based Selection method, also add the following:

“The agreed remuneration rates shall be stated in the attached Model Form I. This form shall be prepared on the basis of Appendix A to Form FIN-3 of the RFP “Consultants’ Representations regarding Costs and Charges” submitted by the Consultant to the Client prior to the Contract’s negotiations.

Should these representations be found by the Client (either through inspections or audits pursuant to Clause GCC 25.2 or through other means) to be materially incomplete or inaccurate, the Client shall be entitled to introduce appropriate modifications in the remuneration rates affected by such materially incomplete or inaccurate representations. Any such modification shall have retroactive effect and, in case remuneration has already been paid by the Client before any such modification, (i) the Client shall be entitled to offset any excess payment against the next monthly payment to the Consultants, or (ii) if there are no further payments to be made by the Client to the Consultants, the Consultants shall reimburse to the Client any excess payment

within thirty (30) days of receipt of a written claim of the Client. Any such claim by the Client for reimbursement must be made within twelve (12) calendar months after receipt by the Client of a final report and a final statement approved by the Client in accordance with Clause GCC 45.1(d) of this Contract. ”]

Model Form I
Breakdown of Agreed Fixed Rates in Consultant's Contract

We hereby confirm that we have agreed to pay to the Experts listed, who will be involved in performing the Services, the basic fees and away from the home office allowances (if applicable) indicated below:

(Expressed in [insert name of currency])*

Experts		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Name	Position	Basic Remuneration rate per Working Month/Day/Year	Social Charges ¹	Overhead ¹	Subtotal	Profit ²	Away from Home Office Allowance	Agreed Fixed Rate per Working Month/Day/Hour	Agreed Fixed Rate per Working Month/Day/Hour ¹
Home Office									
Work in the Client's Country									

¹ Expressed as percentage of 1

² Expressed as percentage of 4

* If more than one currency, add a table

Signature

Date

Name and Title: _____

{Guarantor letterhead or SWIFT identifier code}

Bank Guarantee for Advance Payment

Guarantor: _____ [insert commercial Bank's Name, and Address of Issuing Branch or Office]

Beneficiary: _____ [insert Name and Address of Client]

Date: _____ [insert date] _____

ADVANCE PAYMENT GUARANTEE No.: _____ [insert number] _____

We have been informed that _____ [name of Consultant or a name of the Joint Venture, same as appears on the signed Contract] (hereinafter called "the Consultant") has entered into Contract No. _____ [reference number of the contract] dated _____ [insert date] _____ with the Beneficiary, for the provision of _____ [brief description of Services] (hereinafter called "the Contract").

Furthermore, we understand that, according to the conditions of the Contract, an advance payment in the sum of _____ [insert amount in figures] (_____) [amount in words] is to be made against an advance payment guarantee.

At the request of the Consultant, we, as Guarantor, hereby irrevocably undertake to pay the Beneficiary any sum or sums not exceeding in total an amount of _____ [amount in figures] (_____) [amount in words]¹ upon receipt by us of the Beneficiary's complying demand supported by the Beneficiary's a written statement, whether in the demand itself or in a separate signed document accompanying or identifying the demand, stating that the Consultant is in breach of their obligation under the Contract because the Consultant:

- (a) has failed to repay the advance payment in accordance with the Contract conditions, specifying the amount which the Consultant has failed to repay;
- (b) has used the advance payment for purposes other than toward providing the Services under the Contract.

It is a condition for any claim and payment under this guarantee to be made that the advance payment referred to above must have been received by the Consultant on their account number _____ at _____ [name and address of bank].

The maximum amount of this guarantee shall be progressively reduced by the amount of the advance payment repaid by the Consultant as indicated in certified statements or invoices marked as "paid" by the Client which shall be presented to us. This guarantee shall expire, at the latest, upon our receipt of the payment certificate or paid invoice indicating that the Consultant has made full repayment of the amount of the advance payment, or on the ___ day of ___ [month] _____, [year] __,² whichever is earlier. Consequently, any demand for payment under this guarantee must be received by us at

¹ The Guarantor shall insert an amount representing the amount of the advance payment and denominated either in the currency(ies) of the advance payment as specified in the Contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the Client.

² Insert the expected expiration date. In the event of an extension of the time for completion of the Contract, the Client would need to request an extension of this guarantee from the Guarantor. Such request must be in writing and must be made prior to the expiration date established in the guarantee. In preparing this guarantee, the Client might consider adding the following text to the form, at the end of the penultimate paragraph: "The Guarantor agrees to a one-time extension of this guarantee for a period not to

this office on or before that date. **Downloaded from SkillCouncils.com**

This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 2010 revision, ICC Publication No. 758.

[signature(s)]

{Note: All italicized text is for indicative purposes only to assist in preparing this form and shall be deleted from the final product.}

exceed [six months][one year], in response to the Client's written request for such extension, such request to be presented to the Guarantor before the expiry of the guarantee."

APPENDIX F - CODE OF CONDUCT

**APPENDIX G- SEXUAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE (SEA)
AND/OR SEXUAL HARASSMENT (SH) PERFORMANCE
DECLARATION FOR SUB-CONSULTANTS**

*[The following table shall be filled in for the Consultant, each member of a Joint Venture
and each Sub-consultant proposed by the Consultant]*

Consultant's Name: *[insert full name]*

Date: *[insert day, month, year]*

Joint Venture Member's or Sub-consultant's Name: *[insert full name]*

RFP No. and title: *[insert RFP number and title]*

Page *[insert page number]* of *[insert total number]* pages

SEA and/or SH Declaration
<p>We:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> (a) have not been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> (b) are subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> (c) had been subject to disqualification by the Bank for non-compliance with SEA/ SH obligations. An arbitral award on the disqualification case has been made in our favor.</p>
<p><i>[If (c) above is applicable, attach evidence of an arbitral award reversing the findings on the issues underlying the disqualification.]</i></p>

PART III

Section 9. Notification of Intention to Award and Beneficial Ownership Forms

Notification of Intention to Award

[This Notification of Intention to Award shall be sent to each Consultant whose Financial Proposal was opened. Send this Notification to the authorized representative of the Consultant].

For the attention of Consultant's authorized representative

Name: *[insert authorized representative's name]*

Address: *[insert authorized representative's address]*

Telephone/Fax numbers: *[insert authorized representative's telephone/fax numbers]*

Email Address: *[insert authorized representative's email address]*

[IMPORTANT: insert the date that this Notification is transmitted to all Consultants. The Notification must be sent to all Consultants simultaneously. This means on the same date and as close to the same time as possible.]

DATE OF TRANSMISSION: This Notification is sent by: *[email/fax]* on *[date]* (local time)

Notification of Intention to Award

Client: *[insert the name of the Client]*

Contract title: *[insert the name of the contract]*

Country: *[insert country where RFP is issued]*

Loan No. /Credit No. /Grant No.: *[insert reference number for loan/credit/grant]*

RFP No: *[insert RFP reference number from Procurement Plan]*

This Notification of Intention to Award (Notification) notifies you of our decision to award the above contract. The transmission of this Notification begins the Standstill Period. During the Standstill Period you may:

- a) request a debriefing in relation to the evaluation of your Proposal, and/or
- b) submit a Procurement-related Complaint in relation to the decision to award the contract.

1. The successful Consultant

Name: *[insert name of successful Consultant]*

Address: *[insert address of the successful Consultant]*

Contract price: *[insert contract price of the successful Consultant]*

2. **Qualified Consultants** *[INSTRUCTIONS: insert names of all Consultants and indicate which Consultants submitted Proposals. Where the selection method requires it, state the price offered by each Consultant as read out, and as evaluated. Include overall technical scores and scores assigned for each criterion and sub-criterion. Select Full Technical Proposal (FTP) or Simplified Technical Proposal (STP) in the last column below.]*

Name of Consultant	Submitted Proposal	<i>[use for FTP]</i> Overall technical scores	<i>[use for STP]</i> Overall technical scores	Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Evaluated Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Combined score and ranking (if applicable)
[insert name]	[yes/no]	Criterion (i): [insert score] Criterion (ii): [insert score] Criterion (iii): [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion a:</u> 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion b:</u> 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion c:</u> 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] Criterion (iv): [insert score] Criterion (v): [insert score] Total score: [insert score]	Criterion (i): [insert score] Criterion (ii): [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion a:</u> [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion b:</u> [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion c:</u> [insert score] Total score: [insert score]	[Proposal price]	[evaluated price]	Combined Score: [combined score] Ranking : [ranking]
[insert name]	[yes/no]	Criterion (i): [insert score] Criterion (ii): [insert score] Criterion (iii): [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion a:</u> 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion b:</u> 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion c:</u> 1: [insert score] 2: [insert score] 3: [insert score]	Criterion (i): [insert score] Criterion (ii): [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion a:</u> [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion b:</u> [insert score] <u>Sub-criterion c:</u> [insert score] Total score: [insert score]	[Proposal price]	[evaluated price]	Combined Score: [combined score] Ranking : [ranking]

Name of Consultant	Submitted Proposal	<i>[use for FTP]</i> Overall technical scores	<i>[use for STP]</i> Overall technical scores	Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Evaluated Financial Proposal price (if applicable)	Combined score and ranking (if applicable)
		Criterion (iv): <i>[insert score]</i> Criterion (v): <i>[insert score]</i> Total score: <i>[insert score]</i>				
<i>[insert name]</i>	<i>[yes/no]</i>	Criterion (i): <i>[insert score]</i> Criterion (ii): <i>[insert score]</i> Criterion (iii): <i>[insert score]</i> Sub-criterion a: 1: <i>[insert score]</i> 2: <i>[insert score]</i> 3: <i>[insert score]</i> Sub-criterion b: 1: <i>[insert score]</i> 2: <i>[insert score]</i> 3: <i>[insert score]</i> Sub-criterion c: 1: <i>[insert score]</i> 2: <i>[insert score]</i> 3: <i>[insert score]</i> Criterion (iv): <i>[insert score]</i> Criterion (v): <i>[insert score]</i> Total score: <i>[insert score]</i>	 Criterion (i): <i>[insert score]</i> Criterion (ii): <i>[insert score]</i> Sub-criterion a: <i>[insert score]</i> Sub-criterion b: <i>[insert score]</i> Sub-criterion c: <i>[insert score]</i> Total score: <i>[insert score]</i> 	<i>[Proposal price]</i>	<i>[evaluated price]</i>	<u>Combined Score:</u> <i>[combined score]</i> <u>Ranking</u> : <i>[ranking]</i>
<i>[insert name]</i>	...					
...	...					

3. Reason/s why your Proposal was unsuccessful [*Delete if the combined score already reveals the reason*]

[INSTRUCTIONS; State the reason/s why this Consultant's Proposal was unsuccessful. Do NOT include: (a) a point by point comparison with another Consultant's Proposal or (b) information that is marked confidential by the Consultant in its Proposal.]

4. How to request a debriefing [*This applies only if your proposal was unsuccessful as stated under point (3) above*]

DEADLINE: The deadline to request a debriefing expires at midnight on *[insert date]* (local time).

You may request a debriefing in relation to the results of the evaluation of your Proposal. If you decide to request a debriefing your written request must be made within three (3) Business Days of receipt of this Notification of Intention to Award.

Provide the contract name, reference number, name of the Consultant, contact details; and address the request for debriefing as follows:

Attention: *[insert full name of person, if applicable]*

Title/position: *[insert title/position]*

Agency: *[insert name of Client]*

Email address: *[insert email address]*

Fax number: *[insert fax number] delete if not used*

If your request for a debriefing is received within the 3 Business Days deadline, we will provide the debriefing within five (5) Business Days of receipt of your request. If we are unable to provide the debriefing within this period, the Standstill Period shall be extended by five (5) Business Days after the date that the debriefing is provided. If this happens, we will notify you and confirm the date that the extended Standstill Period will end.

The debriefing may be in writing, by phone, video conference call or in person. We shall promptly advise you in writing how the debriefing will take place and confirm the date and time.

If the deadline to request a debriefing has expired, you may still request a debriefing. In this case, we will provide the debriefing as soon as practicable, and normally no later than fifteen (15) Business Days from the date of publication of the Contract Award Notice.

5. How to make a complaint

DEADLINE: The deadline for submitting a Procurement-related Complaint challenging the decision to award the contract expires on midnight, *[insert date]* (local time).

Provide the contract name, reference number, name of the Consultant, contact details; and address the Procurement-related Complaint as follows:

Attention: *[insert full name of person, if applicable]*

Title/position: *[insert title/position]*

Agency: *[insert name of Client]*

Email address: *[insert email address]*

Fax number: *[insert fax number]* ***delete if not used***

[At this point in the procurement process] [Upon receipt of this notification] you may submit a Procurement-related Complaint challenging the decision to award the contract. You do not need to have requested, or received, a debriefing before making this complaint. Your complaint must be submitted within the Standstill Period and received by us before the Standstill Period ends.

Further information:

For more information see the “[Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers \(Procurement Regulations\)](#) (Annex III).” You should read these provisions before preparing and submitting your complaint. In addition, the World Bank’s Guidance “[How to make a Procurement-related Complaint](#)” provides a useful explanation of the process, as well as a sample letter of complaint.

In summary, there are four essential requirements:

1. You must be an ‘interested party’. In this case, that means a Consultant who has submitted a Proposal in this selection process, and is the recipient of a Notification of Intention to Award.
2. The complaint can only challenge the decision to award the contract.
3. You must submit the complaint within the deadline stated above.
4. You must include, in your complaint, all of the information required by the Procurement Regulations (as described in Annex III).

6. Standstill Period

DEADLINE: The Standstill Period is due to end at midnight on *[insert date]* (local time).

The Standstill Period lasts ten (10) Business Days after the date of transmission of this Notification of Intention to Award.

The Standstill Period may be extended. This may happen where we are unable to provide a debriefing within the five (5) Business Day deadline. If this happens we will notify you of the extension.

If you have any questions regarding this Notification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

On behalf of Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation:

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title/position: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form

INSTRUCTIONS TO CONSULTANTS: DELETE THIS BOX ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED THE FORM

This Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form ("Form") is to be completed by the successful Consultant¹. In case of joint venture, the Consultant must submit a separate Form for each member. The beneficial ownership information to be submitted in this Form shall be current as of the date of its submission.

For the purposes of this Form, a Beneficial Owner of a Consultant is any natural person who ultimately owns or controls the Consultant by meeting one or more of the following conditions:

- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the shares*
- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the voting rights*
- directly or indirectly having the right to appoint a majority of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Consultant*

Request for Proposal reference No.: IN-AMC-524849-CS-QCB

Name of the Assignment:

To: **Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation**

In response to your notification of award dated xx/month/2026 to furnish additional information on beneficial ownership: [select one option as applicable and delete the options that are not applicable]

(i) we hereby provide the following beneficial ownership information.

Details of beneficial ownership

Identity of Beneficial Owner	Directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the shares (Yes / No)	Directly or indirectly holding 25 % or more of the Voting Rights (Yes / No)	Directly or indirectly having the right to appoint a majority of the board of the directors or an equivalent governing body of the Consultant (Yes / No)
[include full name (last, middle, first), nationality, country of residence]			

OR

(ii) We declare that there is no Beneficial Owner meeting one or more of the following conditions:

- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the shares
- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the voting rights
- directly or indirectly having the right to appoint a majority of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Consultant

OR

(iii) We declare that we are unable to identify any Beneficial Owner meeting one or more of the following conditions. [If this option is selected, the Consultant shall provide explanation on why it is unable to identify any Beneficial Owner]

- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the shares
- directly or indirectly holding 25% or more of the voting rights
- directly or indirectly having the right to appoint a majority of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Consultant]

Name of the Consultant: **[insert complete name of the Consultant]*_____

Name of the person duly authorized to sign the Proposal on behalf of the Consultant:
***[insert complete name of person duly authorized to sign the Proposal]*_____

Title of the person signing the Proposal: *[insert complete title of the person signing the Proposal]*_____

Signature of the person named above: *[insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown above]*_____

Date signed*[insert date of signing]***day of***[insert month]***, [insert year]**_____

* In the case of the Proposal submitted by a Joint Venture specify the name of the Joint Venture as Consultant. In the event that the Consultant is a joint venture, each reference to “Consultant” in the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form (including this Introduction thereto) shall be read to refer to the joint venture member.

** Person signing the Proposal shall have the power of attorney given by the Consultant. The power of attorney shall be attached with the Proposal Schedules.