



Poverty Alleviation Fund (PAF) PAF-II Project

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Consulting Services: Selection of a Survey Consultant Firm/Institution to Implement the Baseline Survey for Impact Evaluation Assignment

INVITATION NOTICE FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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1. Poverty Alleviation Fund Nepal has received a grant from the International Development Association toward the cost of PAF-II Project. The project aims to improve living condition and livelihood of the rural poor through income-generation projects, community infrastructures, and basic services.
2. PAF, along with the Partner Organizations (POs) has been implementing its intervention programs in 25 districts (poorest districts of category C - classified by CBS based on composite development index). Similarly, PAF is going to expand its working districts in additional 30 districts by the end of this FY 2066/67.
3. The PAF is currently seeking a Survey Consultant to manage a baseline survey as a part of an Impact Evaluation Assignment for the PAF-II Project.
4. The objective of this assignment is to administer the survey (sampling, survey design, and Personnel management), data management and process, and deliver the database required for the impact evaluation. This assignment covers baseline data collection for all survey respondents (both treatment and control). There will be 10 districts with the approximate sample size of 3,000 HHs. In three years, a follow –up survey will be done using a questionnaire very similar to that of the baseline.
5. The Poverty Alleviation Fund (PAF), Kathmandu, Nepal now invites sealed Expression of Interest from eligible registered Firms/Institutions to carry out the above mentioned assignment.
6. Interested eligible firms/Institutions are requested to submit their letter of interest along with the agency profile with relevant experiences, organizational setup, financial status and brief CVs of the firm's core staff (which the firms would propose to carry out the study with their area of expertise) and work experience in similar conditions along with current ongoing work in hand if any.
7. Only the selected firm/instruction will be requested to submit a detailed Technical and Financial Proposals. The detail evaluation criteria and ToR will be provided with the Request for Proposal (RFP). The Invitation notice for the EoI, *ToR* and detail *short listing criteria* can be downloaded from PAF's website. www.pafnepal.org.np
8. The Poverty Alleviation Fund will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by firms in connection with the preparation or delivery of Proposals.
9. If the deadline for submission of proposals falls on official holiday the proposals must be submitted on the next working day. Late proposal will not be entertained and returned back if received after the deadline.
10. Expressions of interest must be delivered on or before to the address below by 5:00PM, June 14, 2010.

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