

**Office of the Project Director, Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity
Development Project (RFBDP), Arawali Bhawan, Jhalana Institutional Area,
Jaipur - 302004**

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Name and Address of the Procuring Entity	Project Director, Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity Development Project (RFBDP), Arawali Bhawan, Jhalana Institutional Area, Jaipur - 302004, Rajasthan, India
Name and Address of the Officer in-charge	Suresh Kumar Gupta Dy. Project Director (Admin.) Office of the Project Director, Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity Development Project (RFBDP), Arawali Bhawan, Jhalana Institutional Area, Jaipur - 302004, Rajasthan, India
Name of Service	Expression of Interest (EoI) for the hiring the Project Management Consultant (PMC) from interested consulting firms for supporting PMU, Project Director, Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity Development Project (RFBDP), Arawali Bhawan, Jhalana Institutional Area, Jaipur, Rajasthan
Bid Procedure	Two Stage Open Competitive Bidding The bidding process will take place in two stages as described below: 1. Stage-I Short listing of bidders through EoI 2. Stage-II RFP shall be issued to shortlisted bidders in Stage-I
Websites for downloading Bidding Documents, Corrigendum's, Addendums etc.	Websites: 1. https://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in 2. https://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in 3. https://forest.rajasthan.gov.in 4. https://afd.dgmarket.com
Processing Fee	Rs. 1,000/- (Non- refundable) in form of Demand Draft/ Banker's Cheque issued in favour of " Managing Director, RISL" payable at Jaipur
Start and End Date for the submission of Bids	Start Date : 03 rd Jan. 2023 End Date : 23 rd Jan. 2023
Bid Validity	90 Days from the bid submission deadline
Bid Submission Method	Online submission on https://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in portal

Note : Demand Draft (D.D.) of processing fee should be submitted manually in the office of the Project Director, Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity Development Project (RFBDP), Arawali Bhawan, Jhalana Institutional Area, Jaipur- 302004, Rajasthan, India.

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Selection of Consultants

Request for Expression of Interest

**Consulting Services:
Project Management Consultant (PMC) under Rajasthan Forestry and
Biodiversity Development Project**

**Name of the Society—Rajasthan Vaniki Evam Jaiv Vividhta Vikas Samiti
(RVJVS)**

3rd January, 2023



**Office of the Project Director, Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity Development Project
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Rajasthan Forestry & Biodiversity Development Project

Consulting Services

Expressions of Interest (EOI)

1. Background

Rajasthan is India's driest state, with only 1.16 percent of the country's surface water, and the Thar Desert covering two-thirds of the state's geographical area. The state's average rainfall is 531 mm, compared to the national average of 1,200 mm. Due to severe climatic conditions, Rajasthan's forest and tree cover is only 7.11 percent (forest cover is 4.69 percent, and tree cover is 2.42 percent, respectively), far below the national average of 23.4 percent, and the open forest cover is as high as 71.8 percent of the total forest. Despite such challenging climate conditions, the state has a rich and unique biodiversity, with ecosystems ranging from desert ecosystems in the west to moist deciduous forest in the south. The Aravallis act as a natural barrier to the advancement of the western desert.

However, the state's biodiversity resources are constantly threatened by a variety of natural and anthropogenic factors such as grazing, mining, wild animal poaching, man-animal conflict, and the global issue of climate change. Furthermore, due to recurrent drought and increasing human and livestock pressures, the state faces a significant desertification challenge. About 75% of the state's total population lives in rural areas, and a large number of impoverished people rely on the forest for a living. Over the years, the degradation of forest and grazing lands has jeopardised their means of subsistence.

Conservation of biodiversity and sustainable development are inextricably linked. Long-term social and economic growth requires environmental security. The majority of rural people's livelihoods rely on natural resource bases, either directly or indirectly. Both anthropogenic and climate factors are threatening biodiversity in Rajasthan, causing ecological system degradation, the loss of traditional resource management practices, and a disconnect between the natural and social domains. As the custodian of the forests, the Forest Department operates at the crossroads of people and natural resources. As a result, the department must be prepared to deal with a wide range of challenges and respond quickly.

The French Development Agency – Agence Française de Développement (AFD) and the State Government of Rajasthan intends to fund "The Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity Development Project (RFBDP)" to assist the Forest Department of Rajasthan in its efforts to effectively manage its forest and biodiversity. RFBDP would advocate for increased forest management orientation toward improving the state's overall ecological balance through targeted interventions for biodiversity conservation and community empowerment. The proposed project will help the state address the looming challenges of climate change by improving ecosystem resilience and inclusive socioeconomic development. The RFBDP is intended to enable the Forest Department to carry out interventions to conserve biodiversity, resolve human-wildlife conflict, and reduce the risk of severe ecological losses. The project will cover approximately 800 villages in 13 districts of eastern Rajasthan (Alwar, Baran, Bhilwara, Bharatpur, Bundi, Dausa, Dholpur, Jaipur, Jhalawar, Karauli, Kota, Sawai Madhopur, and Tonk).

2. Project Objectives

The RFBDP is expected to provide strong support to the Department in order to secure critical natural resources for Rajasthan, the growth and management of which directly correspond to National Commitments and International Agreements. The project would improve the network of protected areas in order to protect wildlife habitat. By involving social groups in the development and management of the project and providing livelihoods to diverse groups of women and men, the Project emphasises the importance of socioeconomically and gender differentiated traditional and community knowledge. RFBDP will pursue the following objectives:

1. To Protect and develop natural forests of Project area
2. To improve the conservation status of threatened taxa
3. To restore grasslands in arid regions for fodder management and enhancing carbon sequestration
4. To improve the biological diversity and preservation and restoration of habitats including wetlands
5. Secure sustainable forest management by improving forest administration, community organizations, livelihood and other stakeholders

Project Goals

The details of the project goals are as follows:

Goal 1: To promote the conservation of plant species diversity and increase the green cover

1. Increase the forest cover of the State by intensive and extensive afforestation on available forest as well as non-forest land.
2. Improving Tree outside Forest Cover by incentive based agro forestry.
3. The forest area of Rajasthan shall be effectively conserved by in-situ and exsitu methods or by creation of plant Micro-reserves as well as adopting different plantation models.
4. Scientific eradication of invasive alien species Prosopis juliflora and Lantana camara for regeneration of local biodiversity in the state.
5. Areas of particular importance to biodiversity should be protected i.e. National Parks, Sanctuaries, Wetlands, Sacred Groves (Orans), etc.
6. Habitat improvement of wild life sanctuaries, conservation reserves etc for improvement in wild life and reduction of man animal conflict.
7. To improve the status of threatened species.

Goal 2: To improve the soil and moisture condition of degraded forest areas, pasturelands and other non-forest areas by soil moisture conservation work

1. Construction of Soil and moisture conservation structures in forest areas, protected areas and non-forest areas with the expectation of improving the moisture regime. Such activities shall also impinge directly on the growth of grass & other undergrowth, thereby creating new and effective carbon sink. Conservation of rainwater and increased carbon sequestration are vital components in climate change mitigation and local adaptation.

Goal 3: Conservation of Biodiversity and Reduction in Man Animal Conflict

1. *In situ* and *ex-situ* conservation of flora and fauna by creation/development of Plant Micro Reserves, Protection of forest boundaries by construction of boundary walls, Conservation Reserves and Habitat improvement of existing protected areas.
2. Habitat improvement of wild life sanctuaries and protected areas for improvement in wildlife and reduction in man animal conflicts.

Goal 4: To maintain capacity of ecosystems to deliver goods and services and support livelihoods

1. Biological resources support sustainable livelihoods especially of poor people. Such resources need maintenance and augmentation. Ecosystem services thus created are likely to have positive impact from output in the vicinity. Increased income and more livelihood are thus natural expectation.
2. Protection of traditional knowledge, innovations, practices including their rights to benefit sharing. Gender inclusiveness and transformative approaches shall be adopted to ensure social inclusion across the project activities.

3. Project Management Consultant

The RFBDP expects financing from Agence Française de Développement ("AFD") & GoR and intends to use part of the funds to hire a Project Management Consultant (PMC).

A technical group comprised of International and National level specialists in Afforestation, ESMS/ESMP & Gender inclusion, Biodiversity Conservation, Community Development and Capacity Building, Micro-enterprise and Income Generation Activities, MIS & GIS Expert, Communication and outreach. The Consultant is expected to develop a strong Monitoring & Evaluation protocols to ensure that project outputs and outcomes are achieved. The PMC specialists would provide technical inputs, new and better ideas, and advice the Project Monitoring Unit and all stakeholders, thereby ensuring effective project implementation. The goal of the consulting services is to provide technical guidance and policy initiatives related to the Project to the Project Management Unit (PMU), as well as the concerned Circle Management Units (CMUs), Divisional Management Units (DMUs) and Field Management Units (FMUs) of the Project, to ensure the smooth and quality implementation of the Project activities. The Project Management Consultant is expected to provide services for overall project management, including:

A. Capacity Building:

1. Assist the PMU in supervision and providing guidance to CMUs/ DMUs/FMUs, Project Facilitation Team (PFT)s and other resource organizations. PFTs shall be forming the community organizations envisaged, viz. VFPMCs/EDCs, SHGs, SHG village Federations and Producer Organizations. The PFTs shall operate at the DMUs&FMUs level. The PFTs shall be headed by a Divisional Project Coordinator (DPC) who shall be responsible for all the project villages of the division.
2. Assist the PMU in review/updating/formulation of management and technical manuals/guidelines/handbooks/modules and protocols related to the Project.
3. Assist the PMU/CMUs/DMUs/FMUs in strengthening the implementation mechanism for various components of the Project.

B. Project Monitoring and Documentation Support:

4. Assist the PMU in the consolidation of Project annual work schedule.
5. Assist the PMU, CMUs, DMUs, and FMUs in the preparation and development of an appropriate reporting system, management information system, including financial (disbursement forecasting) and physical achievements.
6. Assist the PMU in implementation, O&M functions, and establishing a proper monitoring and evaluation system for the project.
7. Designing participatory monitoring and evaluation methods (including creation of a dashboard for ease of monitoring) enabling participants and stakeholders in assessing their progress, tracking the impact of their actions and revising their strategies accordingly.
8. Designing a list of quantitative and qualitative indicators, along with suitable methodology and tools for recording each one of them, for performance monitoring consistent with the Project objectives.

C. Stakeholder Management Support:

9. Assist the PMU in undertaking periodical and mid-term evaluation and reviews.
10. Assist the PMU in designing training modules and schedules for stakeholders.
11. Assist the PMU for consultation with High Powered Committee and in other related works to the Project required within their responsibilities.
12. Provide assistance and guidance to CMUs/DMUs/FMUs/PFTs in community mobilization and development, formation of peoples' bodies like Village Forest Protection and Management Committee (VFPMC/Eco-Development Committees (EDC)/Self Help Group (SHG) and development of micro-enterprise including establishment of financial and market linkages.
13. Assist PMU in monitoring the performance of PFT and organizations involved in the Project.
14. Provide technical assistance for supervision and management of the Project components such as afforestation, ESMS & gender, bio-diversity conservation, monitoring (geospatial technology, MIS) etc.

D. Knowledge Management Support:

15. Organizing National and International trainings/ workshops/ tours/ exchange programmes.
16. Provide guidance and suggestion on suitable destinations/training programmes, training organizations/institutes/persons for the capacity building of Rajasthan Forest Department, PFTs and VFPMCs/EDCs.

Project Management Consultant Team

The team shall comprise about 10-12 full-time person with relevant profiles to fulfill the needs as expressed above. The duration of the assignment will be for 5 years initially, to be extended further for 3 years as per the need of the Project .

4. Expression of Interest (Eoi)

The RFBDP hereby invites proposals from consulting firms to show their interest in delivering the Services as described above. This Request for Eoi is open to single-entity firms/ Joint Ventures (JVs) with Consulting firm (Pvt. Ltd, Ltd, Partnership firm) as the lead bidder. Consulting firms/ NGOs may be included as JV partners.

Eligibility criteria to AFD financing are specified in sub-clause 1.3 of the "Procurement Guidelines for AFD-Financed Contracts in Foreign Countries", available online on AFD's website: <http://www.afd.fr>.

The Applicant shall submit only one application in its own name. If an Applicant submits or participates in more than one application, those applications shall all be rejected. Also, participation of the same Key Experts and Non-Key Experts in more than one Proposal is NOT permissible. Any consultants/experts associated with the upstream activities of the project shall not be eligible to apply.

Interested Applicants must provide information evidencing that they are qualified and experienced to perform these Services. For that purpose, documented evidence of recent and similar services (certified copies) shall be submitted.

Determination of the similarity of the experiences will be based on:

- The contracts size;
- The nature of the Services
- The technical area and expertise
- The location

Among the submitted applications, Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity Development Project (RFBDP) will shortlist a maximum of six (6) Applicants, to whom the Request for Proposals to carry out the Services shall be sent.

N.B. In case more than six applicants qualify the eligibility criteria, then a percentile system shall be followed to assess all the qualified applicants, and top six ranked shall be shortlisted.

Expression of Interest may be downloaded from <https://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in>, <https://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in> or <https://afd.dgmarket.com> or <http://forest.rajasthan.gov.in> and must be submitted on <https://eproc.rajasthan.gov.in> no later than **23th January, 2023**.

Consulting firm may seek clarification of the EOI Document through the e mail on or before the 16th January 2023.

To

The Project Director, 'Rajasthan Forestry and Biodiversity Development Project (RFBDP), Aravalli Bhawan, Jhalana Institutional Area, Jaipur-302004, (Rajasthan), India.

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Annexure 1: Format for Expression of Interest

The expression of interest must be submitted along with the following documents:

- FORM 1: Organization Details
- FORM 2: Compliance to Eligibility Criteria
- FORM 3: Credentials / Past Experiences for all the projects cited under eligibility criterion

Note: In case, documents submitted are in any language other than English, the consultant shall submit a self-certified copy of the translated document in English (along with originals).

Form 1: Organization Details

Section 1: About the EOI Respondent											
I.	Name of the Organization										
II.	Details of the Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address of the Registered Office: Telephone: Website: 									
III.	Information about Organization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year of Establishment: Status of the Organization: 									
IV.	Name and designation of the person authorized to make commitments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name Designation E-mail Contact Number 									
V.	Annual Turnover for the last three Financial Years (The lead bidder should have a minimum average annual turnover of INR 100 Crore or equivalent over the last three financial years)	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Financial Year</th> <th>Annual Turnover (INR)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2018-2019</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2019-2020</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2020-2021</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Please attach audited annual accounts statements for last 3 years and a CA certificate for average annual turnover and positive net worth. The CA certificate shall also be duly sealed and signed by the authorized representative of the bidder.</p>		Financial Year	Annual Turnover (INR)	2018-2019		2019-2020		2020-2021	
Financial Year	Annual Turnover (INR)										
2018-2019											
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Form 2: Compliance to Eligibility Criterion

S. No.	Eligibility Criteria	Compliance (Yes/ No)	Documentary Evidence to be provided
1	Entity legally registered under appropriate authority for last 10 years.		Certificate of Incorporation/Registration
2	The lead bidder should have a minimum average annual turnover of INR 100 crore or equivalent over the last three financial years (FY 2018-2019, FY 2019-2020, and FY 2020-2021).		Self-certification. Copies of the audited balance sheet and I/E Statement duly sealed and certified by the CA and the authorized representative of the bidder.
3	Experience in establishing Project Management Consultancy/ Project Implementation Agency/ Project Management Unit for any state or central government/ International donors/ finance institutions as a single entity or lead bidder on conducting planning/ implementation/ monitoring and evaluation/ studies in sectors such as Natural Resource Management/ Agriculture/ Forestry/ Livelihood Projects/ Climate Change/ Wildlife Management (at least 3) in the last 10 years. Out of these at least one project shall be of similar size and nature in the forestry sector in India.		Copies of Work Order / Contract Document / Completion Certificate from the previous clients
4	The lead bidder should have at least 100 full-time Consulting professionals on its rolls as on 31.3.2022		Certificate from the company's HR


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Form 3: Format for Credentials / Past Experiences for projects cited under eligibility criterion (Maximum 2 pages per credential)

Assignment name:	Country: Location within the country
Name of Client:	Address:
Name of the Legal Entity in whose name the contract is:	Duration of assignment (months):
Number of man months to fulfil the assignment:	Start date(Month/year): Completion date(Month/year):
Approx. Value of the overall contract (in INR):	
Name of Associated organizations, if any:	Role of Consortium member:
Narrative description of the Project:	
Detailed Scope of services, coverage, and relevance to this project:	
Copy of Purchase Order /Contract attached?	YES /NO

Form 4: Matrix template for evaluating Expressions of Interest (Not to be filled up by bidder)

The table below will be used to establish the shortlist of Applicants. It would be used by the client. Bidders are not required to fill it up.

Name of the Applicant: _____

Reference in Form 2	Entity legally registered under appropriate authority for last 10 years.	The bidder should have a minimum average turnover from consultancy/ advisory of INR 100Crore or equivalent over the last three financial years (FY18-19, FY19-20, and FY20-21).	Experience in establishing Project Management Consultancy/ Project Implementation Agency/ Project Management unit for any state or central government as a single entity firms/ Joint Ventures (JVs) with Consulting firm (Pvt. Ltd, Ltd, Partnership firm) as the lead bidder. Consulting firms/ NGOs may be included as JV partners on Natural Resource Management/ Agriculture/ Forestry/ Livelihood Projects (at least 3). Out of these, at least 1 project shall be of similar size and nature in the forestry sector in India	The company should have at least 100 full-time Consulting professionals on its rolls as on 31.3.2022
[Experience A]				
[Experience B]				
[Experience C]				
[Etc.]				

The selection of Applicants to be shortlisted shall follow the rules as defined here below:

- Each experience will be based on a single contract and can meet multiple criteria provided in the columns above
- The Applicant must meet the “at least” criterion provided in each column above; otherwise, the application will be disqualified.
- The ranking of Applicants is based on the greatest number of criterion fulfilled (boxes checked)

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**Appendix to The Request for Expressions of Interest
(To be submitted with the application, signed and unaltered)**

Statement of Integrity, Eligibility and Environmental and Social Responsibility

Reference of the bid or proposal _____ (the "Contract")

To: _____ (the "Contracting Authority")

1. We recognise and accept that *Agence Française de Développement* ("AFD") only finances projects of the Contracting Authority subject to its own conditions which are set out in the Financing Agreement which benefits directly or indirectly to the Contracting Authority. As a matter of consequence, no legal relationship exists between AFD and our company, our joint venture or our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants. The Contracting Authority retains exclusive responsibility for the preparation and implementation of the procurement process and performance of the contract. The Contracting Authority means the Purchaser, the Employer, the Client, as the case may be, for the procurement of goods, works, plants, consulting services or non-consulting services.
2. We hereby certify that neither we nor any other member of our joint venture or any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants are in any of the following situations:
 - 2.1 Being bankrupt, wound up or ceasing our activities, having our activities administered by the courts, having entered into receivership, reorganisation or being in any analogous situation arising from any similar procedure;
 - 2.2 Having been:
 - a) convicted, within the past five years by a court decision, which has the force of *res judicata* in the country where the Contract is implemented, of fraud, corruption or of any other offense committed during a procurement process or performance of a contract (in the event of such conviction, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this conviction is not relevant in the context of this Contract);
 - b) subject to an administrative sanction within the past five years by the European Union or by the competent authorities of the country where we are constituted, for fraud, corruption or for any other offense committed during a procurement process or performance of a contract (in the event of such sanction, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this sanction is not relevant in the context of this Contract);
 - c) convicted, within the past five years by a court decision, which has the force of *res judicata*, of fraud, corruption or of any other offense committed during the procurement process or performance of an AFD-financed contract;

- 2.3 Being listed for financial sanctions by the United Nations, the European Union and/or France for the purposes of fight-against-terrorist financing or threat to international peace and security;
 - 2.4 Having been subject within the past five years to a contract termination fully settled against us for significant or persistent failure to comply with our contractual obligations during contract performance, unless this termination was challenged and dispute resolution is still pending or has not confirmed a full settlement against us;
 - 2.5 Not having fulfilled our fiscal obligations regarding payments of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of either the country where we are constituted or the Contracting Authority's country;
 - 2.6 Being subject to an exclusion decision of the World Bank and being listed on the website <http://www.worldbank.org/debarr> (in the event of such exclusion, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this exclusion is not relevant in the context of this Contract);
 - 2.7 Having created false documents or committed misrepresentation in documentation requested by the Contracting Authority as part of the procurement process of this Contract.
3. We hereby certify that neither we, nor any of the members of our joint venture or any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants are in any of the following situations of conflict of interest:
- 3.1 Being an affiliate controlled by the Contracting Authority or a shareholder controlling the Contracting Authority, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of AFD and resolved to its satisfaction;
 - 3.2 Having a business or family relationship with a Contracting Authority's staff involved in the procurement process or the supervision of the resulting Contract, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of AFD and resolved to its satisfaction;
 - 3.3 Being controlled by or controlling another bidder or consultant, or being under common control with another bidder or consultant, or receiving from or granting subsidies directly or indirectly to another bidder or consultant, having the same legal representative as another bidder or consultant, maintaining direct or indirect contacts with another bidder or consultant which allows us to have or give access to information contained in the respective applications, bids or proposals, influencing them or influencing decisions of the Contracting Authority;
 - 3.4 Being engaged in a consulting services activity, which, by its nature, may be in conflict with the assignments that we would carry out for the Contracting Authority;
 - 3.5 In the case of procurement of goods, works or plants:
 - a) Having prepared or having been associated with a consultant who prepared specifications, drawings, calculations and other documentation to be used in the procurement process of this Contract;

- b) Having been recruited (or being proposed to be recruited) ourselves or any of our affiliates, to carry out works supervision or inspection for this Contract.
4. If we are a state-owned entity, and to compete in a procurement process, we certify that we have legal and financial autonomy and that we operate under commercial laws and regulations.
5. We undertake to bring to the attention of the Contracting Authority, which will inform AFD, any change in situation with regard to points 2 to 4 here above.
6. In the context of the procurement process and performance of the corresponding contract:
- 6.1 We have not and we will not engage in any dishonest conduct (act or omission) deliberately intended to deceive others, to intentionally conceal items, to violate or vitiate someone's consent, to make them circumvent legal or regulatory requirements and/or to violate their internal rules in order to obtain illegitimate profit;
- 6.2 We have not and we will not engage in any dishonest conduct (act or omission) contrary to our legal or regulatory obligations or our internal rules in order to obtain illegitimate profit;
- 6.3 We have not promised, offered or given and we will not promise, offer or give, directly or indirectly to (i) any Person who holds a legislative, executive, administrative or judicial mandate within the State of the Contracting Authority regardless of whether that Person was nominated or elected, regardless of the permanent or temporary, paid or unpaid nature of the position and regardless of the hierarchical level the Person occupies, (ii) any other Person who performs a public function, including for a State institution or a State-owned company, or who provides a public service, or (iii) any other person defined as a Public Officer by the national laws of the Contracting Authority's country, an undue advantage of any kind, for himself or for another Person or entity, for such Public Officer to act or refrain from acting in his official capacity;
- 6.4 We have not promised, offered or given and we will not promise, offer or give, directly or indirectly to any Person who occupies an executive position in a private sector entity or works for such an entity, regardless of the nature of his/her capacity, any undue advantage of any kind, for himself or another Person or entity for such Person to perform or refrain from performing any act in breach of its legal, contractual or professional obligations;
- 6.5 We have not and we will not engage in any practice likely to influence the contract award process to the detriment of the Contracting Authority and, in particular, in any anti-competitive practice having for object or for effect to prevent, restrict or distort competition, namely by limiting access to the market or the free exercise of competition by other undertakings;
- 6.6 Neither we nor any of the members of our joint venture or any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants shall acquire or supply

any equipment nor operate in any sectors under an embargo of the United Nations, the European Union or France;

- 6.7 We commit ourselves to comply with and ensure that all of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants comply with international environmental and labour standards, consistent with laws and regulations applicable in the country of implementation of the Contract, including the fundamental conventions of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and international environmental treaties. Moreover, we shall implement environmental and social risks mitigation measures when specified in the environmental and social commitment plan (ESCP) provided by the Contracting Authority.
7. We, as well as members of our joint venture and our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants, authorize AFD to inspect accounts, records and other documents relating to the procurement process and performance of the contract and to have them audited by auditors appointed by AFD.

Name: _____ In the capacity of: _____

Duly empowered to sign in the name and on behalf of: _____

Signature: _____

Dated: DD MM YYYY


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