

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Office of the Project Director,
Conversion of existing Chattogram – Dohazari Meter Gauge track into Dual Gauge Track Project
Rail Bhaban, 16 Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka,
Bangladesh

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**Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) – International
for
Consultancy Services for Construction Supervision of
Conversion of the existing Chattogram-Dohazari Meter Gauge track into Dual Gauge track**

1. The Government of People's Republic of Bangladesh (GoB) have applied for a loan from the Asian Development Bank (hereinafter referred to as 'ADB') for **Conversion of the existing Chattogram-Dohazari Meter Gauge track into Dual Gauge track**. A portion of the proceeds of the loan is intended to be used for payments under the Contract for Construction Supervision Consultancy Services for which this Request for EOI is issued.
2. The overall objective of the project is the Conversion of Pahartali-Chattogram-Dohazari Metre Gauge Track to Dual Gauge Track and Construction of a Dual Gauge Connecting Line from Pahartali to Jhautala. The specific objectives are:
 - i. Conversion of 52 km metre gauge track into dual gauge track (among which approximately 11 Km would be constructed by another railway project) including bridges/culverts and all infrastructure from Pahartali-Chattogram-Dohazari and Chattogram Bypass section to increase line capacity.
 - ii. Providing uninterrupted railway service in between Capital City Dhaka and Cox's Bazar tourist attractions connecting Dhaka-Chattogram rail corridor with Dohazari-Cox's Bazar rail corridor.
 - iii. Improvement of operational facilities by improving Signaling & Interlocking System.
 - iv. Improvement of maintenance of track and rolling stocks.
3. Bangladesh Railway invites eligible International Consulting Firms to submit Expression of Interest (EOI) for providing the required services. Interested consulting firms may obtain further information by writing to the undersigned during normal office hours preferably through email.
4. The assignment will enable Bangladesh Railway to ensure that the project is carried out in an economical and efficient manner consistent with internationally accepted standards and practices. Under the project, two contracts will be undertaken for the conversion and construction of the route. The Consultant's major responsibility will be to supervise the construction of civil and signaling works. The assignment will cover, inter alia, the following services:
 - Overall contract management, administration and planning and providing technical support;
 - Construction Supervision, Testing and Inspection;
 - Environmental Aspects;
 - Gender and Other Social Aspects;
 - Resettlement Aspects.
 - Defect Liability Period.

In addition to the above services, the consultant will undertake quality checks for the project with regard to the technical, contractual and financial aspects of the project implementation. The consultant shall provide to the Client an assessment report on the quality of the completed works.
5. The Consulting Firm will be selected under Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS)(80:20) Method in accordance with the procedures set out in the 'ADB Procurement Policy 2017 ("Policy") and the Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers 2017 ("Procurement Regulations")':

<https://www.adb.org/documents/adb-procurement-policy>;

<https://www.adb.org/documents/procurement-regulations-adb-borrowers>
6. Bangladesh Railway will conduct 'short-listing' of the interested Consulting Firms who will have submitted REOI Applications for the above-mentioned Consulting Service. For this purpose, key qualifications and experience of the Consulting Firms required are as follows:
 - a) **Management Competence:** Firm's management and organizational strength, financial strength, number and capabilities of permanent employees and key staff, etc.

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- b) Technical Competence:
i. General Experience
ii. Specific Experience: Design/Design Review, Construction Supervision Consultancy particularly in railway/mass transit field with comparable scale and technical complexity.
- c) Geographic Competence: Experience in similar geographic area (SAARC/ASEAN/International)
- d) Contractual Management Experience: Substantial experience in managing FIDIC contracts as a Firm and by the key members of the team.
7. The interested Consulting Firms should submit necessary documentary evidence in favor of their submission. i.e. in case of turnover audited financial report of last 5 years in USD/BDT to be furnished.
8. Interested Consultancy firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (Registration certificate, registered address, legal status brochures, company profile including management, personnel, Equipment, firm's specialty, and performance, financial capacity). The firm shall also provide contact information of the clients to whom services have been rendered.
9. The Consulting Firms may associate with other firm(s) to enhance their qualifications in the form of a Joint Venture (JV) or Sub-Consultancy arrangements. If a Consulting Firms submits an EOI as a JV, the EOI will be submitted by the lead firm/partner and should clearly identify each joint venture partner.
10. According to the latest ADB procurement guidelines, an REOI for this Consulting Service has been published electronically in the ADB Consultant Management System (CMS) which can be accessed through the following link:

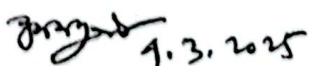
https://selfservice.adb.org/OA_HTML/OA.jsp?OAFunc=XXCRS_CSRN_HOME_PAGE

The interested Consulting Firms are hereby advised to access the REOI through the above link. The firms shall have to submit their Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) electronically (submission of documents through cloud storage/similar link will not be allowed) through ADB website (CMS) by 11:59 PM (Manila Local Time) and by 09:59 PM (Dhaka Local Time) on or before 21 April 2025 through the link of <http://csm.adb.org> of Consultant Management System of ADB.

If any contradiction is found between CMS notice and Newspaper notice, the information on CMS notice shall prevail.

For technical inquiries/assistance, the Consultants may seek advice by emailing to the following email address: cmshelp@adb.org

11. Only EOIs submitted electronically through ADB website using ADB template will be allowed and evaluated. EOI submitted using other than ADB templates will not be evaluated. Any offline or manual EOI submission is not permissible and will not be considered.
12. Under no circumstances will ADB or BR, be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by the firm(s) in connection with the preparation or submission of the EOI. Interested consulting firm(s) is/are requested to submit relevant documentary evidences in support of their competence in EOI submission.
13. The Executing Agency reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs received without assigning any reason thereof.


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