## No. I-19015/01/2019-DMEO NITI Aayog Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office

Dated: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019

## **CORRIGENDUM III**

## Subject: Request for Proposal (RFP) for Consultancy for Evaluation of Centrally Sponsored Schemes under Package 1 - Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Sector - Changes in RFP - regarding

- 1. This Corrigendum forms an integral part of the RFP.
- 2. Pursuant to the release of the RFP for Selection of Consultants to conduct Evaluation Studies for Centrally Sponsored Schemes under Package 1 Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Sector issued by NITI Aayog on 6th May 2019, following are the amendments in the RFP. The deletions in the earlier text of the RFP are indicated as strikethrough and the additions are underlined:

SNo.	Clause No.	Provision in the RFP						
(1)	Clause 1.6	<b>Brief description of the Selection Process</b> In the first stage, a technical evaluation will be carried out as specified in Clause 3.1 <u>alongwith presentations to be made by the Applicants who fulfil the</u> <u>eligibility conditions as specified in clauses 2.2.2 (A) and 2.2.2 (B). Schedule</u> for the presentations will be notified to the Applicants individually. Based on thise technical evaluation, a list of short-listed applicants shall be prepared as specified in Clause 3.2.						
(2)	Clause 1.8.	The Authority would endeavour to adhere to the following schedule:						
		Event Description         1. Last       date       for       receiving         queries/clarifications	[20 days prior to PDD] 16th May 2019					
		2. Pre-Proposal Conference	[16 days prior to PDD] 20th May 2019					
		3. Authority response to queries	[11 days prior to PDD] 31st May 2019					
		4. Proposal Due Date or PDD4th June 2019 24th June 2019						
(3)	Clause 2.2.2 (B)	<b>Financial Capacity:</b> The Applicant shall have received a minimum income of Rs. 50 (fifty) crores per annum from professional fees during each of the 3 (three) financial years preceding the Proposal Due Date FY 2015-16, FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18.						

(4)	Clause 2.2.2						
	(D): Experience	Key Personnel	Experience on Eligible Assignments				
	on Eligible Assignment s	Team Leader	S/He should have led the team for <del>2 (two)</del> 3 (three) Eligible General Assignments <del>and 1 (one) Eligible</del> <del>Specific Assignment.</del>				
		Deputy Team Leader	S/He should have participated in at least 2 (two) 3 (three) Eligible General Assignments and 1 (one) Eligible Specific Assignment.				
(5)	Clause 2.2.2 (D): Educational	Key Personnel	Educational Qualification				
	Qualificatio n	Team Leader	PhD degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Agriculture or allied sector or PhD <u>or equivalent</u> in International Development, Economics, Agriculture Statistics, Food Technology, Food Processing Engineering, Agriculture Engineering, Animal Sciences, Fisheries or related field(s). Certification in Project Management preferred				
		Monitoring and Evaluation Expert	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in International Development, Economics, Econometrics, Political Science, Statistics or related field(s). Diploma/training courses in M&E or Evaluations research preferred.				
		Economist	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> , preferably PhD, in Economics, Econometrics or related field(s).				
		Agriculture Lead	PhD or equivalent in Agriculture or allied sector.				
		Finance Specialist	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Finance, Economics, Development Economics, Public Finance, Commerce or Bachelors with CA/ICWA or related field(s)				
		Statistician	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Statistics, Economics, Econometrics, Mathematics or related field(s)				
		Public Institution Specialist	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Public Policy, Public Administration, Governance, etc. or related field(s) or Post Graduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in any discipline with at least 5 years of experience in Public Administration. Ph.D. will be preferred.				
		Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in social sciences, preferably Gender Studies, Social Inclusion etc. or related fields. Ph.D. is preferred.				
		Environment, Climate Change	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Sustainability, Sustainable Development, Environmental Sciences,				

		and Sustainability Specialist	Environmental Engineering, Environmental Planning or related field(s)				
		Information Technology Specialist	<ul> <li>B.Tech/ B.E. or equivalent in Information Technology, Computer Applications or Masters degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Computer Applications or related fields</li> <li>Postgraduate <u>or equivalent</u> in Anthropology, Sociology, Applied Social Science or other related fields.</li> </ul>				
		Safeguards Specialist					
		Horticulture Specialist	PhD <u>or equivalent</u> in Horticulture or MSc in Horticulture/ MBA in Agri-Business				
		Fisheries Specialist	MFScv <u>or equivalent</u> in Fisheries Sciences. PhD will be preferred				
		Animal Husbandry and Dairying Specialist	MVSc <u>or equivalent</u> in Veterinary Sciences. PhD will be preferred. Expertise in Animal Health will be preferred.				
(6)	Clause 2.2.3	The Applicant shall enclose with its Proposal, certificate(s) from its Statutory Auditors <sup>2</sup> \$ stating its total revenues from professional fees during each of the 3 (three) financial years <del>preceding the PDD-</del> <u>FY 2015-16</u> , <u>FY 2016-17</u> and <u>FY</u> <u>2017-18</u> and the fee received in respect of each of the Eligible Assignments specified in the Proposal. In the event that the Applicant does not have a statutory auditor, it shall provide the requisite certificate(s) from the firm of Chartered Accountants that ordinarily audits the annual accounts of the Applicant. <u>However, for the Eligible Assignments, the Applicant can also provide</u> <u>requisite certificate(s) from its chartered accountant that ordinarily audits the</u> <u>annual accounts of the Applicant.</u>					
(7)	Clause 2.2.3, Footnote 2\$	No separate annual financial statements should be submitted. Please do not attach complete printed annual financial statements. In case relevant extracts of duly audited annual financial statements containing the requisite details are provided, duly countersigned by the authorised signatory, a separate certification by statutory auditors would not be necessary in respect of clause 2.2.3.					
(8)	Clause 2.3.4	its Associates, sha works or services re and any breach of provided that the r years <u>6 (six) month</u> assignments grante restriction shall not Authority in con	nually appointed to provide Consultancy for this Project, and ll be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or elated to the construction and operation of the same Project this obligation shall be construed as Conflict of Interest; estriction herein shall not apply after a period of 5 (five) as from the completion of this assignment or to consulting d by banks/ lenders at any time; provided further that this apply to consultancy/ advisory services performed for the tinuation of this Consultancy or to any subsequent bry services performed for the Authority in accordance with hority.				

(9)	Clause 2.4	However, no Applicant shall be selected for more than 5 (five) sectors/packages <del>, of which only 3 (three) may be</del> as Lead Member.						
(10)	Clause 2.14.2. (g)	(g) the CVs have been recently signed and dated in blue ink by the respective Personnel and countersigned by the Applicant. Photocopy or unsigned / countersigned CVs shall be rejected; A copy of the CV signed by Key Personnel, duly countersigned by the authorised signatory, shall be accepted. Unsigned CVs shall be rejected;						
(11)	Clause 2.27	The Con the Auth Agreeme	<b>Indemnity</b> The Consultant shall, subject to the provisions of the Agreement, indemnify the Authority for an amount not exceeding <del>3</del> (three) times the value of the Agreement for any direct loss or damage that is caused due to any deficiency in services.					
(12)	Clause 3.1.2	In case the Selected Applicant has one Key Personnel, other than the Team Leader, who scores less than 60% marks, he would have to be replaced withing 2 (two) working days during negotiations, with a better candidate who, in the opinion of the Authority, would score 60% (sixty per cent) or above. In case a non-core Key Personnel is a part of the selected Consultancy Team across multiple packages, s/he would have to be replaced within 2 (two) working days during negotiations with an equally or better qualified and experienced personnel being provided to the satisfaction of the Authority.						
(13)	Clause 3.1.3, Item Code 1.	Item Code 1.	Parameter Criteria					
(14)	Clause 3.1.3, Item Code 2.	Item Code	Parameter	Maximum Marks	Criteria			
		2.	Proposed Methodology and Work Plan	<u> 1020</u>	Evaluation will be based on the quality of submissions. including the presentation made by the Applicant			

(15)	Clause 3.1.3, Item Code 3.	Item Code	Parameter	Maximum Marks	Criteria
		3.	Relevant Experience of the Key Personnel	<del>65</del> <u>55</u>	10% of the maximum marks for each Key Personnel shall be awarded for the educational qualifications.30% of the maximum marks for each Key Personnel shall be awarded for the number of Eligible Assignments the respective Key Personnel has worked on. The remaining 70% 60% shall be awarded for the comparative size and quality of Eligible Assignments
		3(a)	Team Leader	<del>20</del> <u>18</u>	
		3(b)	Deputy Team Leader	<del>15-<u>13</u></del>	
		3(c)	Monitoring and Evaluation Expert	<del>10</del> <u>8</u>	
		3(d)	Economist	<u>8 6</u>	
		3 (e)	Agriculture Lead	<del>12</del> <u>10</u>	
(16)	Clause 3.1.4	Assignm 50 (fifty Key Per <u>PDDt</u> <u>lakhs.</u> Provided Eligible have be profession where c assignm Note: <del>A</del> under be and Key complete	ent shall have, ) lakhs for suc sonnel, she/he he estimated co l further that <del>i</del> Specific Assignen completed onal fees of at redit is being co ent should be at pplicants cannot oth General and Personnel may ed in the 5 (five)	prior to PDD, h assignment, should have co ost of the assign f-the Applican nment, shall have prior to PDD least Rs. 20 (the claimed by a ke t least Rs. 20 (the t provide t The Specific Assigned y claim credit ve) financial y	laiming credit for an Eligible General received professional fees of at least Rs. and where credit is being claimed by a ompleted the relevant assignment prior to gnment should be at least Rs. 50 (fifty) at firm is taking claiming credit for an ave, prior to PDD, such assignment shall and the Applicant shall have received (twenty) lakhs for such assignment, and Key Personnel, the estimated cost of the wenty) lakhs. e same assignment(s) cannot be provided gnments mentioned above. The Applicant for Eligible Assignments that have been years preceding the PDD, or have been rs preceding the PDD and are currently
(17)	Schedule 1: Terms of	Time So The sche	<b>hedule</b> edule will be as	follows:	

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	Reference, Clause 7	S No Activity Dea			adline			
		4	Fin	al date for submission of bids	<u>June 2019</u> <u>24th June</u> <u>9</u>			
		5	Aw	vard of contract	June 2019 9th July 2019		]	
(18)	Schedule 1:	Timelines for the above deliverables would be as follows:						
	Terms of Reference,	Sr. No	,	Activity	ity		Deadline	
	Clause 8	1	A	Award of contract	Т			
		2	Ι	nception report		T+15 days	T+21 days	
		3		Finalization of inception report based on comments by NITI Aay	/og	<del>T+17 days</del>	T+26 days	
		4	N	Mid-term report		T+45 days	T+50 days	
		5		Sign-off on the mid-term report based on comments by NITI Aay	vog	<del>T+48 days</del> T+55 days		
	Terms of Reference, Clause 9	below: Key Date No.		schedule linked to the specified         Description of Deliverables		Week No. <u>of</u> Submission	Payment	en
		KD	1	Inception report approved by Authority		<del>3</del> - <u>4</u>	20%	
		KD	2	Mid-term report approved by Authority		7 <u>8</u>	30%	
		KD3		Draft evaluation report		13	30%	
		KD4 <sup><u>\$</u></sup>		Final Evaluation Report approved by Authority		<del>14</del> <u>15</u>	20%	
				Total			100%	
<sup>\$</sup> Excludes the time taken by the Authority in providing its draft evaluation report. The Consultant shall get one week the Final Evaluation Report after comments of the Authority					one week fo	r submission		
(20)	Schedule 2: Form of Agreement, Clause 3.4.4	This limitation of liability specified in Clause 3.4.3 shall not 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 subject, however, to a limit equal to $\frac{3}{3}$ (three) times the Agreement Value.						
(21)	Schedule 2: Form of	Payment Schedule						

	Agreement, Annex-6	Key Date No.	Description of Deliverables	Week <u>No. of</u> Submission	Payment			
		KD1	Inception report approved by Authority	<u>3-4</u>	20%			
		KD2	Mid-term report approved by Authority	7 <u>8</u>	30%			
		KD3	Draft evaluation report	13	30%			
		KD4 <sup>§</sup>	Final Evaluation Report approved by Authority	<del>14</del> <u>15</u>	20%			
			Total		100%			
		draft evaluation	he time taken by the Authority tion report. The Consultant shal aluation Report after comments of	l get one week for s	submission of			
(22)	Appendix-I, Form-5	In case rel containing authorised s	Note: Please do not attach <u>any complete</u> printed Annual Financial Statement. In case relevant extracts of duly audited Annual Financial Statements containing the requisite details are provided, duly countersigned by the authorised signatory, a separate certification by statutory auditors would not be necessary in respect of clause 2.2.3.					
(23)	Appendix-I, Form-7	2. Methodol	2. Methodology and Work Plan (not more than four eight pages)					
(24)	Appendix-I, Form-8	provide the	<sup>§</sup> In case tThe Applicant does not have a statutory auditor, it shall <u>can also</u> provide the certificate from its chartered accountant that ordinarily audits the annual accounts of the Applicant.					
(25)	Appendix-I, Form-9	Column 4: Estimated eapital cost of the Project (in Rs crore or US\$ million)						
(26)	Appendix-I, Form-10	Row 7: Esti	Row 7: Estimated capital cost of the Project (in Rs crore or US\$ million)					
(27)	Appendix-I, Form-10	It is certified that the aforesaid information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. (Signature and name of Key Personnel) (Signature, name and designation of the authorised signatory)						
(28)	Appendix-I, Form-11	Row 9: Estimated eapital cost of the Project (in Rs crore or US\$ million)						
(29)	Appendix-I, Form-12, Note 2	2. The names and chronology of assignments included here should conform to the project-wise details submitted in Form-8 Form-9 of Appendix-I.						
(30)	Appendix-I, Form-12, Note 3	3. Each page of the CV shall be signed in ink and dated by both the Personnel concerned and by the Authorised Representative of the Applicant firm along with the seal of the firm. Photocopies will not be considered for evaluation. A copy of the CV signed by Key Personnel, duly countersigned by the authorised signatory, shall be accepted. Unsigned CVs shall be rejected.						

3. All the other terms and conditions of the RFP shall remain unaffected.