## 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 5 - Rural Development Sector - Changes in RFP - regarding

- 1. This Corrigendum forms an integral part of the RFP.
- Pursuant to the release of the RFP for Selection of Consultants to conduct Evaluation Studies for Centrally Sponsored Schemes under Package 5 - Rural Development 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</u> the eligibility conditions as specified in clauses 2.2.2 (A) and 2.2.2 (B). Schedule 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.	<ul> <li>Schedule of Selection Process The Authority would endeavour to adhe  Event Description  </li> <li>1. Last date for receiving queries/clarifications  </li> <li>2. Pre-Proposal Conference </li> <li>3. Authority response to queries </li> <li>4. Proposal Due Date or PDD </li> </ul>	ere to the following schedule: Date [20 days prior to PDD] 16th May 2019 [16 days prior to PDD] 20th May 2019 [11 days prior to PDD] 31st May 2019 4th 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 Assignments	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			
(5)	(D): Educational	Key Personnel	Educational Qualification	
	Qualification	Team Leader	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Education,International Development, Economics, Public Policy, Political Science, Statistics, Sociology or related fields. Ph.D. and Project Management certification preferred	
		Monitoring and Evaluation Expert	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in International Development, Economics, Econometrics, Political Science, Statistics or related field. 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).	
		Rural Development Sector Lead	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Rural Development, Rural Management, Development studies or related fields	
	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, Governance, Public Administration or related fields or Post graduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in any discipline with at least 5 years of experience in Public Administration/Public Policy	
		Gender and Social Inclusion Specialist	$\frac{1}{2}$	

		Environment, Climate Change and Sustainability Specialist	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Sustainability, Sustainable Development, Environmental Sciences, Environmental Engineering, Environmental Planning or related fields	
		Information Technology Specialist	B.Tech/ B.E. or equivalent in Information Technology, Computer Applications OR Masters degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Computer Applications or related fields	
		Safeguards Specialist	Postgraduate <u>or equivalent</u> in Anthropology, Sociology, Applied Social Science or other related fields.	
		Livelihoods Expert	Postgraduate degree <u>or equivalent</u> in Rural Development, Rural Management, Development studies, or related fields	
		Rural Infrastructure Expert	BE/BTech <u>or equivalent</u> in Civil Engineering. MTech/ME 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 preceding the PDD- FY 2015-16, FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18 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. However, for the Eligible Assignments, the Applicant can also provide requisite certificate(s) from its chartered accountant that ordinarily audits the annual accounts of the Applicant.		
(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	An Applicant eventually appointed to provide Consultancy for this Project, and its Associates, shall be disqualified from subsequently providing goods or works or services related to the construction and operation of the same Project and any breach of this obligation shall be construed as Conflict of Interest; provided that the restriction herein shall not apply after a period of $\frac{5}{(five)}$ years $\frac{6}{(six)}$ months from the completion of this assignment or to consulting assignments granted by banks/ lenders at any time; provided further that this restriction shall not apply to consultancy/ advisory services performed for the Authority in continuation of this Consultancy or to any subsequent consultancy/ advisory services performed for the Authority in accordance with the rules of the Authority.		

(9)	Clause 2.4	However sectors/p	r, no Applicant sha ackages <del>, of which only</del>		ed for more than 5 (five) be 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 Auth	sultant shall, subject to ority for an amount n ent for any direct loss of	ot exceeding	ns of the Agreement, indemnify 3 (three) times the value of the is caused due to any deficiency
(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	Parameter	Criteria	
		1.	Relevant Experience of the Applicant	e <u>10% of the maximum marks for each</u> <u>Applicant shall be awarded overall</u> <u>professional income and experience of</u> <u>the firm.</u> 30% of the maximum marks shall be awarded for the number of Eligible Assignments undertaken by the Applicant firm. The remaining <del>70%</del> 60% shall be awarded for <del>: (i)</del> the comparative size and quality of Eligible General and Specific Assignments; (ii) overall <del>professional income, experience and</del> <del>capacity of the firm</del> .	
(14)	Clause 3.1.3, Item Code 2.	Item	Parameter	Maximum	Criteria
		Code	Proposed Methodology and Work Plan	Marks <del>10-<u>20</u></del>	Evaluation will be based on the quality of submissions-, including the presentation made by the

(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>	<u>10% of the maximum marks for</u> <u>each Key Personnel shall be</u> <u>awarded for the educational</u> <u>qualifications.</u> 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 <del>70%</del> <u>60%</u> 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)	Rural Developme nt Sector Lead	<del>12</del> <u>10</u>	
(16)	Clause 3.1.4	Provided that the Applicant firm claiming credit for an Eligible General Assignment shall have, prior to PDD, received professional fees of at leas Rs. 50 (fifty) lakhs for such assignment, and where credit is being claimed be a Key Personnel, she/he should have completed the relevant assignment prior to PDD. the estimated cost of the assignment should be at least Rs. 50 (fifty lakhs. Provided further that if-the Applicant firm is taking claiming credit for a Eligible Specific Assignment, shall have, prior to PDD, such assignment sha have been completed prior to PDD and the Applicant shall have receive professional fees of at least Rs. 20 (twenty) lakhs for such assignment, an where credit is being claimed by a Key Personnel, the estimated cost of the assignment should be at least Rs. 20 (twenty) lakhs. Note: Applicants cannot provide tThe same assignment(s) cannot be provide under both General and Specific Assignments mentioned above. The Applicant and Key Personnel may claim credit for Eligible Assignments that			

		have been completed in the 5 (five) financial years preceding the PDD, or have been initiated in the 5 (five) financial years preceding the PDD and are currently ongoing.					
(17)	Schedule 1: Terms of	Time Sch The scheo	edule lule will be as follows:				
	Reference, Clause 7	S No	Activity	Deadli	ne		
		4	Final date for submission of bids	4th Jun	<del>e 2019</del> <u>24th Ju</u>	ine 2019	
		5	Award of contract	19 <sup>th</sup> -Jur	<del>ie 2019</del> <u>9th Ju</u>	y 2019	
(18)	Schedule 1:	Timelines	s for the above deliverables would	be as fol	lows:		
	Terms of Reference,	Sr. No	Activity		Deadl	ine	
	Clause 8	1	Award of contract		Т		
		2	Inception report			<del>T+15 days</del> T+21 days	
		3	Finalization of inception report b comments by NITI Aayog	<del>T+17 days</del> T+26 days			
		4	Mid-term report	<del>T+45 days</del> T+50 days			
		5	Sign-off on the mid-term report comments by NITI Aayog	based on	T+48 days days		
(19) Schedule 1: Terms of Reference, Clause 9		The payr below:	Schedule nent schedule linked to the spec	ified del		_	
		Key Date No.	Description of Deliverables		Week <del>No.</del> <u>of</u> <u>Submission</u>	Paymen t	
		KD1	Inception report approved Authority	d by	<u>3-4</u>	20%	
		KD2	Mid-term report approve Authority	d by	7 <u>8</u>	30%	
		KD3	Draft evaluation report		13	30%	
		KD4 <u><sup>\$</sup></u>	Final Evaluation Report appro Authority	ved by	<del>1</del> 4 <u>15</u>	20%	
1			Total			100%	

(20)	Schedule 2: Form of Agreement, Clause 3.4.4	Consultant's Consultant or	n of liability specified in Clause liability, if any, for damage to Th any person or firm acting on be he Services subject, however, to a li t Value.	nird Parties cau ehalf of the Co	used by the onsultant in
(21)	Schedule 2:	Payment Sch	edule		
	Form of Agreement, Annex-6	Key Date No.	Description of Deliverables	Week <del>No. <u>of</u> Submission</del>	Paymen t
		KD1	Inception report approved by Authority	<u>3-4</u>	20%
		KD2	Mid-term report approved by Authority	7_8	30%
		KD3	Draft evaluation report	13	30%
		KD4 <sup>§</sup>	Final Evaluation Report approved by Authority	<u>14 15</u>	20%
			Total		100%
	Form-5	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,	2. Methodology and Work Plan (not more than <u>four eight</u> pages)			
	Form-7				
(24)	Appendix-I, Form-8	<sup>§</sup> In case tThe Applicant does not have a statutory auditor, it shall can also provide the certificate from its chartered accountant that ordinarily audits the annual accounts of the Applicant.			
(25)	Appendix-I, Form-9	Column 4: Estimated <del>capital</del> cost of the Project (in Rs crore or US\$ million)			
(26)	Appendix-I, Form-10	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 capital cost of the Project (in Rs crore or US\$ million)			
(29)	Appendix-I, Form-12, Note		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.		

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(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. <u>A</u> copy of the CV signed by Key Personnel, duly countersigned by the authorised signatory, shall be accepted. Unsigned CVs shall be rejected.
(31)	Appendix-IV, E. Areas of Inquiry - National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP), 3. Approach	<ul> <li>To conduct the survey at all levels;</li> <li>To prepare the software for data entry, validation, compilation, report generation, etc.;</li> <li>To prepare the report under the overall supervision and guidance of DMEO while incorporating necessary corrections/ modification as suggested by NITI Aayog till the final report is approved by the Competent Authority;</li> <li>To submit five compact discs and five copies of the final report along with the basic data.</li> </ul>
(32)	Appendix-IV, F. Areas of Inquiry – Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana- Gramin (PMAY-G) 3. Approach	<ul> <li>b) To conduct the survey at all levels;</li> <li>a) b) To prepare the software for data entry, validation, compilation, report generation, etc.;</li> <li>b) c) To prepare the report under the overall supervision and guidance of the DMEO while incorporating necessary corrections/modifications as suggested by it, till the final report is approved by competent authority;</li> <li>e) d) For this project, the agency/institutions assigned this study should be available for discussion, etc. with the DMEO, as and when required, at short notice.</li> </ul>
(33)	Appendix-IV, G. Areas of Inquiry - DAY- National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY- NRLM), 3. Approach	<ul> <li>To conduct the survey at all levels;</li> <li>To prepare the software for data entry, validation, compilation, report generation, etc.;</li> <li>To prepare the report under the overall supervision and guidance of the DMEO while incorporating necessary corrections/modifications as suggested by it, till the final report is approved by competent authority;</li> <li>To submit five pen drives and five copies of the final report along with basic data;</li> </ul>
(34)	Appendix-IV, H. Areas of Inquiry - Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Misson (SPMRM), 3. Approach	<ul> <li>To conduct the survey at all levels;</li> <li>To prepare the software for data entry, validation, compilation, report generation, etc.;</li> <li>To prepare the report under the overall supervision and guidance of DMEO while incorporating necessary corrections/ modification as suggested by NITI Aayog till the final report is approved by the Competent Authority;</li> <li>To submit five compact dises and five copies of the final report along with the basic data.</li> </ul>
(35)	Appendix-IV, I. Areas of Inquiry- Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), 3. Approach	<ul> <li>To conduct the survey at all levels;</li> <li>To prepare the software for data entry, validation, compilation, report generation, etc.;</li> <li>To prepare the report under the overall supervision and guidance of DMEO while incorporating necessary corrections/ modification as suggested by NITI Aayog till the final report is approved by the Competent Authority;</li> <li>To submit five compact discs and five copies of the final report along</li> </ul>

		with the basic data.
(36)	Appendix-IV, J. Areas of Inquiry- Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), 3. Approach	<ul> <li>b. To conduct the survey at all levels;</li> <li>eb. To prepare the software for data entry, validation, compilation, report generation, etc.;</li> <li>dc. To prepare the report under the overall supervision and guidance of the DMEO while incorporating necessary corrections/modifications as suggested by it, till the final report is approved by competent authority;</li> <li>d. To submit five pen drives and five copies of the final report along with basic data;</li> <li>e.d. For this project, the agency/institutions assigned this study should be available for discussion, etc. with the DMEO, as and when required, at short notice.</li> </ul>

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