Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI)

(Consulting Services – Selection of Firms)

Country: Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Project: PPSF Financed Procurement to Support the Preparation of the Proposed AIIB-Financed Reconstruction of National Highway N-5 under Pakistan's Resilient Recovery, Rehabilitation and

Reconstruction Framework Project

Project No.: S000673

Contract/Assignment Title: Comprehensive Road Safety Improvement

REOI Reference No: CS04

Client: National Highway Authority (Ministry of Communications) -GOP

- 1. Islamic Republic of Pakistan has applied for financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) toward the cost of the PPSF Financed Procurement to Support the Preparation of the Proposed AIIB-Financed Reconstruction of National Highway N-5 under Pakistan's Resilient Recovery, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Framework Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the consulting services for which this REOI is issued.
- 2. The consulting services ("the Services") include consultancy services for Comprehensive Road Safety Improvement to enhance the road safety and related designs for the Project in line with International Road Assessment Program (iRAP) Methodology to achieve 3 Star or better road facility for all road user. The Consultant shall complete the Scope of Services within thirty-six (36) months of contract singing. The consultant will work with the NHA as per agreement to carry out the tasks outlined in the TOR.
- 3. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment are attached to this Request for Expressions of Interest.
- 4. The National Highway Authority now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

Consultant Qualifications: The following requirements are a broad description of the likely expertise needed for this consultancy assignment. The Consultant may propose additional experts in the Technical Proposal as may be needed to fulfill this TOR. The Consultant may mobilize supporting experts and administrative staff, including translators and editors, as necessary to execute the scope of services. The Consultant is encouraged to

- bring a good mix of relevant international and national expertise
- formulate a dedicated project team with the relevant qualifications work experience, communication skills, and project management skills; and project management skills;
- engage in diverse team compositions, including a mixture of genders.

The Consultant is expected to:

- be a firm, a consortium of them, or a consortium of independent consultants, with appropriate and sufficient capabilities, resources, and experience to execute the full extent of the scope of services to very high quality; Global experience in carrying road safety analysis in low and middle income countries is mandatory.
- 2) Have demonstrated experience in:
 - a. road safety review, analysis, and enhancement,
 - b. the use of the iRAP's SR4D methodology;
 - c. studying the economic viability of road safety provisions; and
 - d. international best practices on road safety (experience in developing countries and in the region would be preferred);
- 3) Have a proven record of completing at least five (05) similar assignment successfully.

Terms of Reference (TOR) can be downloaded from NHA website <u>www.nha.gov.pk</u>. Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

- 5. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section II of the Bank's Procurement Instructions for Recipients (PIR), setting forth the Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- 6. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- 7. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the *Consultant's Qualifications* based Selection (CQS) method set out in the PIR.
- 8. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0830 to 1630 hours].
- 9. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) before 7th January, 2025 at 1200 Hours (PST). The EOI shall be opened on the same day at 1230 Hours (PST).

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