

**Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh**  
Office of the Project Director,  
Construction of New Dual Gauge Railway Line from Bogura to Sirajganj.  
Rail Bhaban 4/3, Abdul Ghani Road, Dhaka,  
Bangladesh

Ref. No - 54.01.0000.000.710.34.0041.26-1456

Date: 27 August 2026

**Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) –  
for  
Consultancy Services for Updating Environment, Social, Gender Study & Performing  
Climate Study of the Project**

**Country:** Bangladesh

**Project:** Construction of New Dual Gauge Railway Line from Bogura to Sirajganj.

**Project Code:** 224269900

**Project No.:** S000713

**Contract/Assignment Title:** Consultancy Services for Updating Environment, Social, Gender Study & Performing Climate Study of the Project

**Implementing Agency:** Bangladesh Railway

**Implementing Ministry:** Ministry of Railways

**Economic Code:** 3257101

**Source of Fund:** AIIB (Grant) & GOB

**Last Date & Time of Submission:** 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2026 at 12.30 PM.

**Place of Submission:** Room No-508, Rail Bhaban, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh.

1. The Government of Bangladesh has applied for financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) toward the cost of the Construction of New Dual Gauge Railway Line from Bogura to Sirajganj Project. The project intends to develop approximately 85.67 km Mainline and 33.25 km of new dual gauge railway line between Bogura and Sirajganj, together with 11 stations, associated structures, bridges/culverts and modern signaling and telecommunications systems. The portion of the proceeds of the financing is intended to be used as payments under the contract for the Consultancy Service for updating environment, social, gender study performing climate study of the project for which the EOI is issued.
2. The consulting services ("Services") include support for project preparation by updating the environmental and social safeguards, climate risk and GHG assessments, engineering design, BOQ, bid documents, and economic analysis to ensure compliance with the requirements of the Government of Bangladesh and AIIB policies, and to strengthen the project's technical, economic, environmental, and social readiness for implementation.
3. It is expected that the Consultancy Assignment will be for a period of Six (06) months. The consultancy service is scheduled to start in Q2 2026, and it will be a lump-sum contract with an estimated time input of 42 person-months.
4. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be downloaded from the link (<https://railway.gov.bd/pages/tenders/6a8c19dd1f576f3ba28868e0>) or obtained from the address below.

**Address:** Room No-508, Rail Bhaban, Abdul Gani Road, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh

5. The Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Bangladesh Railway 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:

| Criteria/ Sub-criteria                                             | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Ratings or Pass/Fail Criteria                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
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| 1. Eligibility                                                     | 1) Not debarred by AIIB<br>( <a href="https://www.aiib.org/en/about-aiib/who-we-are/debarment-list/index.html">https://www.aiib.org/en/about-aiib/who-we-are/debarment-list/index.html</a> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | ▪ Pass/Fail                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
|                                                                    | 2) No conflict of interest.<br>Please refer to AIIB Directive on Procurement Instructions to Recipients:<br><a href="https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/download/operational-directive/AIIB-Directive-on-Procurement-Instructions-for-Recipients-July-26-2024.pdf">https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/download/operational-directive/AIIB-Directive-on-Procurement-Instructions-for-Recipients-July-26-2024.pdf</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | ▪ Pass/Fail                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
|                                                                    | 1) <b>Sector Experience:</b> The firm, or the lead firm of a Joint Venture, shall have a proven record of successfully completing or being substantially engaged in relevant assignments in the transport infrastructure sector within the past ten years (2016-2026). The firm or Joint Venture shall demonstrate experience covering the following areas:<br>(i) Preparation, review or updating of feasibility studies, detailed engineering design, or technical studies for transport infrastructure projects;<br>(ii) Preparation, review, updating or due diligence of environmental and social safeguard documents, including ESIA/EIA, SIA, RAP, LAP or equivalent instruments;<br>(iii) Climate risk assessment, GHG accounting, and transport economic or financial analysis. | ▪ Pass/Fail                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| 2. Age of Consulting Firm<br><b>Maximum 20 scores</b>              | The time span of experience as a consulting firm from the date of registration.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <table><tr><th>Age of Firm</th><th>Score</th></tr><tr><td>&gt;15 years</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>&gt;10 years and ≤15 years</td><td>16</td></tr><tr><td>&gt;5 years and ≤10 years</td><td>12</td></tr><tr><td>&gt;0 years and ≤5 years</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>0 years</td><td>0</td></tr></table>           | Age of Firm            | Score | >15 years | 20 | >10 years and ≤15 years | 16 | >5 years and ≤10 years | 12 | >0 years and ≤5 years | 2 | 0 years  | 0 |
| Age of Firm                                                        | Score                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| >15 years                                                          | 20                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| >10 years and ≤15 years                                            | 16                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| >5 years and ≤10 years                                             | 12                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| >0 years and ≤5 years                                              | 2                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| 0 years                                                            | 0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| 3. Core business and year in business-<br><b>Maximum 20 scores</b> | Be a firm, or lead firm of a JV, with experience in multidisciplinary transport infrastructure project preparation. Have at least 10 years demonstrated experience in feasibility/design review, environmental and social safeguards, procurement support, climate risk assessment, GHG accounting, BOO/cost review, bid                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | <table><tr><th>Years of Core Business</th><th>Score</th></tr><tr><td>&gt;10 years</td><td>20</td></tr><tr><td>&gt;7 years and ≤10 years</td><td>16</td></tr><tr><td>&gt;4 years and ≤7 years</td><td>12</td></tr><tr><td>&gt;1 years and ≤4 years</td><td>8</td></tr><tr><td>≤1 years</td><td>0</td></tr></table> | Years of Core Business | Score | >10 years | 20 | >7 years and ≤10 years  | 16 | >4 years and ≤7 years  | 12 | >1 years and ≤4 years | 8 | ≤1 years | 0 |
| Years of Core Business                                             | Score                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| >10 years                                                          | 20                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| >7 years and ≤10 years                                             | 16                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| >4 years and ≤7 years                                              | 12                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| >1 years and ≤4 years                                              | 8                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |
| ≤1 years                                                           | 0                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                        |       |           |    |                         |    |                        |    |                       |   |          |   |

| Criteria/ Sub-criteria                              | Description                                                                                                                                                               | Ratings or Pass/Fail Criteria                  |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------|
|                                                     | document preparation, and/or economic analysis.                                                                                                                           |                                                |              |
| 4. Firm's Capacity-<br><b>Maximum 30 scores</b>     | Be a firm, or a JV, with sound technical, managerial, quality assurance, coordination, and reporting arrangements to deliver the assignment within the assignment period. | <b>Contracts delivered in Last 10 Years</b>    | <b>Score</b> |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | ≥5 Nos.                                        | 30           |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | >3 Nos. and ≤5 Nos.                            | 24           |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | >1 No. and ≤5 Nos.                             | 18           |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | 1 No.                                          | 6            |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | 0 No.                                          | 0            |
| 5. Specific Experience-<br><b>Maximum 30 scores</b> | The firm, or the lead firm of a JV, should have completed at least <b>ONE</b> contract in preparation of MDB financed project (2016-2026).                                | <b>Contracts delivered with MDB Experience</b> | <b>Score</b> |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | ≥4 Nos.                                        | 30           |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | 3 Nos.                                         | 27           |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | 2 Nos.                                         | 24           |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | 1 No.                                          | 18           |
|                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                           | 0 No.                                          | 0            |

6. Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.
7. The selection is conducted in accordance with AIIB's Directive on Procurement Instructions for Recipients (July 26, 2024) ("PIR", which can be accessed at [https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/\\_download/operational-directive/AIIB-Directive-on-Procurement-Instructions-for-Recipients-July-26-2024.pdf](https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/_download/operational-directive/AIIB-Directive-on-Procurement-Instructions-for-Recipients-July-26-2024.pdf))
8. 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.
9. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section 2.3.5 and 2.4 of the PIR, setting forth the AIIB's policy on conflict of interest and eligibility. The consultant will be selected in accordance with the AIIB Procurement Policy and its associated PIR.
10. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant's Qualification Based Selection (CQS) method set out in the PIR.
11. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours.
12. With all supporting documents, the hard copy EOI must be submitted to the following address (Room No-508, Rail Bhaban, 4/3, Abdul Ghani Road, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh) at or before 12.30 PM (Bangladesh Standard Time) on 13/09/2026 in sealed envelopes marked with "Consultancy Services for Updating Environment, Social, Gender study & performing Climate Study of the Project" and also requested to submit scan copy of all documents (pdf format) as attachment to Email: [pdbsrlp@gmail.com](mailto:pdbsrlp@gmail.com).

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