



**Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock, Bangladesh
Department of Fisheries (DoF)**

Sustainable Coastal and Marine Fisheries Project (SCMFP)

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1. Background

Bangladesh's physical and cultural characteristics and the livelihoods of nearly 165 million people are defined by the Ganges-Brahmaputra-Meghna delta—the world's largest, most densely populated delta, and one of the richest in aquatic resources. Bangladesh has progressed in reducing extreme poverty and boosting shared prosperity, with poverty incidence (based on international US\$ 1.90 per capita/day poverty line and measured using the Purchasing Power Parity exchange rate) declining from 44.2 percent in 1991 to 13.8 percent in 2016. GDP has grown above the average for developing countries, averaging 6.5 percent per year since 2010, and reaching 7.24 percent in 2017,¹ driven mainly by the manufacturing and service sectors.

Recognizing the country's land resource limits and in the face of increasing soil salinity and other climate-related threats, the Government of Bangladesh (GoB) regards coastal and marine fisheries as a new source of growth. Fisheries are vital for Bangladesh's food supply and food security and are central to the livelihoods of millions of fishers and stakeholders along the production chain. The sector comprises three subsectors: aquaculture (56 percent of total production), inland capture fisheries (28 percent), and marine and coastal capture fisheries (16 percent), with total sector value estimated at US\$ 3.68 billion. As in most other developing countries, Bangladesh's coastal and marine fisheries economic model continues to be driven by targeting ever-increasing volumes, despite the current lack of stock data to back up the expansion.

With these background and challenges, and also taken into consideration of the positive results from DoF efforts to improve management of the iconic Hilsa fishery, the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock proposes Sustainable Coastal and Marine Fisheries Project to implement through ten-twelve-year fisheries program with the support of the World Bank in two phases. These programs offer a significant opportunity to contribute to targets of Vision: 2021, 7th Five Plan (2016-2020), Country Partnership Framework's (CPFs) Focus Areas: growth and competitiveness, social inclusion and climate and environment management. SCMFP has provision for building fishing community institutions, facilitate business development and promote market linkages for alternative livelihoods to support livelihood transformation of 54,000 fishers' households including 25% of women in 450 coastal villages spread over in 45 Upazilas of 13 districts.

For the First Phase of the project, the Government of Bangladesh has received an IDA Credit of US\$240 million equivalent for a period of 5 years. The Department of Fisheries (DoF) under the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock (MoFL) is the lead program implementation agency with direct implementing responsibilities for project activities estimated at US\$188 million.

Project Objectives and Components

The overall objective of the project is to explore greater economic opportunity from coastal and marine fisheries resources, while promoting sustainable management of fisheries stocks and environment to reduce poverty and improve livelihoods of the coastal community.

Specific objectives

- a) To strengthen stock surveys and assessment program for shrimp, demersal and pelagic stocks in the EEZ;



- b) To build and enhance capacity of DoF and relevant public research agencies to conduct science-based stock conservation and management to promote Blue Economy;
- c) To develop mechanisms for effective implementation of Monitoring Control and Surveillance(MCS) for the artisanal and industrial fisheries;
- d) To develop infrastructure and create production facilities for coastal belt fisheries (capture and culture);
- e) To up-scale cluster farming for shrimp to disseminate best lessons learned from cluster farming approaches;
- f) To strengthen community led fisheries management and transform livelihoods in poor fishing communities by access to recovering fish stocks and reducing dependence on fishing;
- g) To develop National Marine Fisheries Management Plans for sustainable harvest of fisheries resources.

Projects Components

The SCMFP Phase I project components will support GoB in designing, establishing, and effectively operating fisheries management systems for sustainable utilization of coastal and marine fishery resources. Phase I project has four components as outlined below.

Proposed Project Components	Proposed Sub-components
COMPONENT 1: Enabling Sustainable Fisheries Sector Investments and Growth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Subcomponent 1.1: Stock assessment and development of national fishery management plans ▪ Subcomponent 1.2: Enabling investments in sustainable fisheries ▪ Subcomponent 1.3: MCS development for IUU reduction
COMPONENT 2: Improving Infrastructure and Production Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Subcomponent 2.1: Infrastructure improvements for capture and culture fisheries ▪ Subcomponent 2.2: Value chain and food safety ▪ Subcomponent 2.3: Boosting coastal aquaculture productivity
COMPONENT 3: Community Empowerment and Livelihoods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Subcomponent 3.1 Fishing community institutions and alternative livelihoods development ▪ Subcomponent 3.2 Business development and market linkages for alternative livelihoods
COMPONENT 4: Project Management	

2. Objective of the Assignment

The objective of this consultancy is to assist DoF to do all the procurement for the Sustainable Coastal and Marine Fisheries Project (SCMFP) in Bangladesh Phase 1 in compliance with the World Bank Procurement Regulations and PPA, 2006 and PPR, 2008.

3. Scope of services and Tasks

The Junior Procurement Consultant will work as member of the PMU, SCMFP to support implement the project successfully under the overall control and supervision of the Project Director and guidance of Senior Procurement Consultant. The scopes of the services of the consultant includes, but not limited to:

- Assist Sr. Procurement Consultant to prepare and update the procurement plan for the project as and when needed (at least half yearly) through the Bank's Systematic Tracking of Exchanges in Procurement (STEP) system;
- Assist PIU in preparing/reviewing procurement documents such as request for bids, request for



expressions of interest, bidding documents, Request for Proposals (RFP), bid/proposal evaluation reports etc.;

- Assist the Tender Opening Committee (TOC) and /or Proposal Opening Committee (POC) in preparing the relevant documents.
- Carry out the procurement activities under the project through e-GP.
- Monitor and evaluate the procurement activities in accordance with the Procurement Plan.
- Assist the PMU in overall procurement processing and contract management.
- Assist the PMU to prepare different types of procurement related reports of the project.
- Provide training to the DoF officials on World Bank Procurement Regulations, PPA/ PPR, STEP and other procurement aspects as and when required.
- Guide/assist the PMU in handling procurement-related complaints.
- Conduct diagnostic analyses on delays, inefficiency, etc. in the system, and provide recommendations to improve the same, if required.
- Carry out any other relevant activities that may be assigned by the Project Director as and when required.

4. Qualifications and Experience of the Consultant

- B.Sc. in engineering or Master's in economics/ statistics/ finance/ business administration/management/procurement/law or other relevant subjects;
- 10 (ten) years general experience;
- 5 (five) years of relevant experience in public procurement or have had responsibilities with a substantial content of his / her position in the procurement area;
- Demonstrated procurement experience working with the World Bank Procurement Guidelines/ Regulations will be preferred.
- Familiar with Government's procurement Act/Rules (PPA 2006, PPR 2008), Procurement Regulations/ Guidelines of the World Bank and analytical capability in identifying and resolving procurement issues;
- Experience in substantive areas/aspects of procurement (e.g. procurement of goods; various forms of construction contracts; selection/contracting of consultant services; preparation of bidding / contract documents for the international procurement of goods, works, services; public procurement policies; sustainable procurement; advanced contract management etc.);
- Experience in the preparation of bidding documents/Requests for proposal for procuring of goods, works and services as well as evaluation of the same;
- Experience in works procurement will be an added advantage;
- Knowledge and understanding of the e-Government Procurement (e-GP);
- Candidates having higher professional qualification/training in procurement/ purchasing and supply chain management will get preference;
- Candidate having membership of professional body of international reputation in Procurement/ Purchasing/ Supply Chain will get preference.

5. Selection Method

A consultant will be selected following the Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants method as set forth in the World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, July 2016 revised November 2017.



6. Duration of the assignment

The duration of this assignment is 18 months. The duration of the assignment may be further extended or reduced subject to program needs and consultant performance.

7. Data, Personnel, Facilities and Local Services to be provided by the Client

The PD will arrange all necessary information relevant to the consultant to fulfil this assignment. Personal office space and necessary logistical supports will be provided from the project.

