

PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT (PMU) GETTING RESULT: ACCESS AND DELIVERY OF QUALITY EDUCATION SERVICES IN PUNJAB (GRADES-P) PROJECT

School Education Department Government of the Punjab

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI) (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM'S SELECTION)

Country: Pakistan

Name of Project: Getting Result: Access and Delivery of quality Education Services in Punjab

(GRADES-P) Project

Contract Title: Selection of Technical Assistance (TA) Firm

Credit No.: IDA-75780

Reference No. PK-SED PUNJAB-517994-CS-QCBS

Government of the Punjab has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Getting Result: Access and Delivery of quality Education Services in Punjab (GRADES-P) Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments under the Contract, Consultancy Service "Selection of Technical Assistance (TA) Firm.

The purpose of the consultancy is to provide technical assistance to the GRADES-P project, which has objective of the consultancy is *to increase girls' and boys' participation rates in pre-primary to elementary grades and enhance reading proficiency in primary grades.* The Project has 7 Performance Based Conditions (PBCs) each of which have annual targets over the Project period. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the websites: https://pesrp.edu.pk/procurement/ or can be obtained at the address given at the end.

The PMU, GRADES-P now invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the required services as explained in the ToR. Interested firms should provide the following information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform this assignment. Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage. The parameters for evaluating EOI responses are given below: -

General Experience:

- The firm shall have ten (10) years post registration experience. Experience in education sector of comparable scale and complexity at national/international level shall be accorded due weightage
- The firm shall have completed/substantially completed at least two assignments of similar scale and complexity.
- Global and Regional Track Record: At least two large-scale assignments, completed/substantially completed during last 10 of comparable scale and complexity.
- Experience in PPPs, development of teaching and learning material, continuous professional development (CPD) and in assessment reform in education sector will be accorded due weightage.

Technical and Managerial Capability:

The technical and managerial structure of the firm (only the structure of the organization, general qualifications and number of key personnel are indicated). Key Experts will not be evaluated at the "short listing" stage as per World Bank Procurement Regulations. Applicants are requested to provide only relevant and complete information specific to proposed services and avoid submitting generic

promotional literature. Incomplete / generic information will not be considered. The Client reserves the right to withdraw from the hiring process at any time and interested firms are responsible for all costs incurred arising out of, or in relation to this request.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consulting firms 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. Firms interested to participate in JV should submit information for each partner, which will be assessed independently regardless of capacity/experience of the other partner. The maximum number of partners in a joint venture (JV) shall not exceed three (3).

A consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the **Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) Method** set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information may be obtained at the address given below during office hours from 0900 to 1700 hours. This REOI is also available on the website: https://pesrp.edu.pk/procurement/.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in written form to the address below by or before 1500 hours on **January 02, 2026**.

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