

# Tanahu Hydropower Limited

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## Call for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Environmental and Social Management Service Provider

1. The Government of Nepal (GON) has received a loan from the Asian Development Bank ((ADB) towards the cost of Tanahu Hydropower Project (THP). Part of the proceeds of the loan is intended to finance eligible payments under the contract for which this Invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI) is issued. In particular, the principal activities shall includes, inter alia, the following:

(i) Implementation of:

- Fish and wildlife Conversation Management Plans;
- Watershed / Forest and River Safety Management Plans;
- Monitoring of baseline conditions, and of the environmental and social changes that occur in the project-affected area (impact monitoring);
- Monitoring of both the performance of implementation of environmental protection and social mitigation measures (performance monitoring);

(ii) Updating and implementation of:

- Resettlement and Indigenous People Plan;
- Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Action Plan;

(iii) Preparing and implementation of Rural Development Programs:

- Community Development Program; and
- Rural Electrification Program with focus on associated social safeguards related tasks.

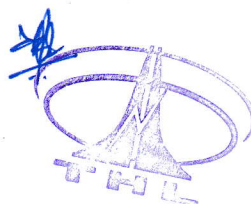
Prospective Consultants (consulting firms or an utility) must have experience in carrying out implementation of environmental and social safeguards measures of successfully completed (constructed and commissioned) hydropower plants.

2. Tanahu Hydropower Limited (THL), a subsidiary company of Nepal Electricity Authority (NEA), is the Executing Agency (EA) and will be responsible to implement all agreed environmental and social mitigation and enhancement measures defined in the environmental and social safeguard plans of the Project.

3. A reputable and experienced International Consultants including JV's and associations will be engaged as a Environmental and Social Management Service Provider (ESMSP) for providing consulting services to support THP for the implementation of above mentioned key activities during project construction.

4. Tanahu Hydropower Project invites EOI from eligible International Consultants to provide the consulting services for the time period of **60 months** starting from March, 2018. It is estimated that the services will require **46 person-months** of International specialists and **320 person-months** of National specialists input as detailed in the Terms of Reference (TOR). The interested Consultants must provide information in the form of brochures, description of completed similar assignments, work experience in the specified areas, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc. to show their technical, managerial and financial competence to perform the services. Such information must also include a brief description of the firm together with the organization structure and staffing. In particular, the information must include, among others, the following:

- a. General and specific experience of the firm
- b. Experience of the firm in implementing environmental and social safeguards measures of hydropower projects. The Consultant must provide information on jobs undertaken in the past **twenty (20) years** giving a brief description of each job undertaken, the funding source(s), and amount of contract and information on the client/employer.
- c. Corporate profile of the firm
- d. Audited financial statements of the firm for the last three (3) years.



- e. Information on organizational strength (organizational structure, number of permanent professional staffs and number of total staffs) including curriculum vitae of the experts with experience.
- f. Duly filled up Attachment 1.

The application must be directly responsive to the requirements mentioned above and information sought in **Attachment-1** of EOI documents and should be in sufficient details to be verifiable. The firm's and expert's experience must be supported by client's/employer's reference. Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or Sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. **Unless specifically indicated otherwise, it is the legal entity or entities comprising the Applicant, and not the Applicant's parent companies, subsidiaries or affiliates, that must satisfy the qualification criteria described herein.**

5. Interested eligible consultants are requested to visit ADB's website for Consulting Services Recruitment Notice (CSRN) (<http://cms.adb.org>) for assignment details and are encouraged to submit their EOI through ADB's Consultant Management System (registration and access through <http://csrn.adb.org>) within the submission deadline mentioned in the CSRN.
6. Interested eligible consultants may also obtain further information from the THL website: [thl.com.np](http://thl.com.np) and the hard copy of the EOI document can be obtained from the address given below and the completed EOI (one original and one duplicate) document may be submitted at the same address by 12:00 hours NST on **7 December, 2017**.
7. EOIs arriving after the deadline will not be considered.
8. Received eligible EOIs will be evaluated using the following Criteria's:
  - (i) Technical competence: 70 %
  - (ii) Geographical experience: 20%
  - (iii) Management competence: 10%
9. Only the short listed consultants will be invited to submit Technical and Financial proposals for the consulting service assignment. The consultant will be selected and engaged under the Quality and Cost -Based Selection (QCBS) method in accordance with the Guidelines on the Use of Consultants by ADB and its Borrowers (2013).
10. THL reserves the right to reject any or all of the EOIs at any stage without assigning any reason whatsoever and without incurring any liability to the affected applicant(s). THL will not be responsible for any cost of expenses incurred by the firms in connection with the preparation or delivery of the EOI.

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