

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL SELECTION)

SIERRA LEONE

***NAME OF PROJECT:* Strengthening Community Mobilization and Local Council Service Delivery in the Post-Ebola Context**

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: **P155339**

Assignment Title: Consultancy Services to undertake the Beneficiary Assessment for the JSDF

Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): SL-MOFED-107555-CS-INDV

The Government of Sierra Leone intends to apply part of the proceeds of this grant for payment under the contract for the conduct of a Beneficiary Assessment for the JSDF project.

The consulting services (“the Services”) is to assess the overall performance of the project in terms of achieving the project’s development objective which is to deliver an immediate response to the post-EVD needs at the local level in Sierra Leone by building community resilience through social mobilization and adequate service delivery from Local Councils; Conduct a Beneficiary Assessment (BA) and the perception of progress made on outputs and outcomes as articulated in the results framework of the project ;Identify facilitating factors for programme success and/or constraints to achieving the expected project results; assess the value of activities as perceived by project beneficiaries by voicing the priorities and concerns of the poor and marginalized groups and determine their level of satisfaction (satisfaction levels will be disaggregated by poorest, survivors, women, youth, men etc.) to clearly understand their perceptions and advice on best mitigation approaches of trauma and other psychosocial effects of EVD. Monitor changes in beneficiary attitudes to ensure project success especially sustainability, social cohesion and how the project has complemented the DSDP2; capture beneficiaries by type, sector etc.; understand the degree and manner of beneficiaries participation in projects (awareness, participation, decision making and oversight; and capture and report any unintended benefits from the project as observed or reported by beneficiaries and whether other government programs are also implemented using similar approaches to community engagement.

The implementation period will take 3 weeks and the expected start date of assignment is July 2019.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained on the address stated below or on **www.mof.gov.sl**

The Project Fiduciary Management Unit –PFMU of the Ministry of Finance now invites an individual consultant to express their interest in providing the Services. Interested individual should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The shortlisting criteria are that participating individuals will be chosen based on prior involvement in assessing beneficiaries.. The individual will have to provide evidence of its

demonstrated experience of not less than ten years in conducting surveys/social research, and assessments of a similar nature, Experience working with Local councils will be an added advantage, Ability to conduct economic/financial analysis and cost/benefit analysis . The individual will provide general experience working as a firm, specific experience in relation to the assignment, technical and managerial capability to be able to smoothly undertake the assignment.

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" July 2016 ,November 2017 and August 2018 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment: Consultants shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of being unable to carry out the assignment in the best interest of the borrower.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with **Individual Consultant Selection method** set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (July 2016, Revised November 2017, Revised August 2018)

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours during office hours from 09:00 to 16:00 hours Mondays to Fridays, except for Public Holidays

Expressions of interest must be delivered in sealed envelopes marked "**Consultancy Service to undertake the Beneficiary Assessment for the JSDF**" or E-mail application as attachment (including all supporting documents) to: pfmu2018@gmail.com to the address below by **14:00 hours GMT on Friday 28th June , 2019.**

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