## Department of Land Development and Water Resources, Government of Uttar Pradesh Request for Proposal (RFP) for selection of Consultant/ Agency for Monitoring and Concurrent Evaluation (including Documentation) of Integrated Watershed Management Projects (IWMP) in Uttar Pradesh

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The State Level Nodal Agency (SLNA), Department of Land Development and Water Resources is entrusted with the responsibility of implementing the Integrated Watershed Management Projects (IWMP) in the State. The above Projects are implemented under the Guidelines of the Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India. The RFP document is posted on site of the Department, applicants can download it from there or can purchase it in ₹ 5000/from the office address given below. The Department's http://upldwr.up.nic.in of the Department. In case the document is downloaded; the applicant shall have to deposit the aforesaid cost of document at the time of submission of the proposal. The common Guidelines of the Government of India states that monitoring of the project must be a consistent feature of the IWMP program. Provision for external monitoring is of critical significance in bringing an unbiased and quality analysis of whole range of project related affairs and its progression in right direction. The SLNA is interested in engaging expert organizations/ bodies/ firms with domain knowledge on concurrent monitoring and evaluation and ICT-aided project tracking applications to carry out this assignment. The SLNA invites applications from reputed resource organizations/ agencies/ consultancy firms for carrying out external monitoring, concurrent evaluation and documentation of IWMP projects in Uttar Pradesh. This Agreement will be for three years. It can be extended by another two years on mutually agreed terms.

Technical Qualifications: the applicant agency must be/ have -

- Functional as a registered entity/ society/ company for more than 5 years as on the date of issuance of RFQ/ RFP. Audited balance sheet will be provided for past 3 years.
- Domain knowledge of IWMP or Water Resources or Natural Resource Management.
- Experience of discharging concurrent monitoring/ supportive supervisory assignments for large multidimensional social sector programs in country; specific experience of Uttar Pradesh will be preferable. Agencies having similar experience with government programs would have an edge.
- Proven competence of innovating and creating ICT-based M&E and data collection applications and tools to match the requirement of the Common guideline and the scale of the program.

In addition, the applicant firm/ agency must be conversant with the thematic issues interfacing with the IWMP: provisions of Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRI) in the state, wide range of social, regional and livelihood contexts and nuances of functioning of the social and rural development programs being implemented by line departments. The applications consisting technical proposal and financial quote should be submitted in separate sealed envelopes. Final selection of agencies would be done by the methods of Cumulative Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS). Interested agencies must submit their technical proposal and financial quote at following address: *Chief Executive Officer, State Level Nodal Agency, Integrated Watershed Management Programme, Department of Land Development and Water Resources, Government of Uttar Pradesh, 23-C, Gokhale Marg, Lucknow before 5 pm of April 10<sup>th</sup> 2013.*