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MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

Consultancy to review, validate and update the National Waste Management and Pollution Control Strategy 2025 – 2035 (NWMPCS)

Inadequate management of wastes and poor control over polluting activities can affect the health of Fijian communities, degrade natural ecosystems and reduce their resilience to climate change impacts, and ultimately retard social and economic development.

To address threats to Fiji's biodiversity, the National Waste Management and Pollution Control Strategy 2025-2035 ('NWMPCS') aims to provide a 10-year strategic framework with the vision of "A Cleaner Fiji for All". The NWMPCS is expected to address all wastes and pollution control issues throughout Fiji, which includes but is not limited to: Municipal solid waste, liquid waste, chemicals, hazardous wastes, air pollution, greenhouse gases, ozone depleting substances, and other wastes (disaster waste, tyres, plastic waste and end-of-life vehicles).

The Department of Environment under the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from reputable individual consultants/organizations to review, validate and update the draft NWMPCS.

Objective

To identify a qualified, reputable individual consultants/organizations to review, validate and update the NWMPCS to address all Waste and Pollution issues in Fiji.

Scope of Work

The consultant will be required to undertake the following:

- Review the 10 year NWMPCS for Fiji.
- Draft a 5 year Action Plan to guide the implementation of the NWMPCS by the Department.
- Establish a Monitoring Framework to assess the implementation progress of the NWMPCS.
- To submit a detailed Consultancy Work Programme with budget that is within the scheduled timeline (3 months) and develop a Stakeholder Engagement Framework for submission to the Department for endorsement.
- To review the national legislations and policies enforced by line Ministries in government that cuts across waste management and pollution control issues in Fiji; and to identify synergies for streamlining the same.
- To conduct Consultative Meeting with government agencies, private sector stakeholders including businesses, partners and local community groups to collate issues that are important for the review, validation and updating of the NWMPCS.
- Develop a Terms of Reference to set up a National Steering Committee to drive the implementation of the NWMPCS.
- To prepare summary notes of the meetings and consultation attended in addition to the comments from the Department on specific issues.
- Report regularly to the Department as the focal point during the execution of the contract until the submission of the finalized NWMPCS.
- Make a presentation of the completed finalized draft NWMPCS to the Department for comments and endorsement to the National Environment Council and to Cabinet, as well as drafting of the relevant Cabinet Paper and/ or relevant accompanying Memorandum.

Eligibility Criteria

- At least 10 years of work experience in policy and/or strategy development framework.
- The applicant must have demonstrated experience in the development and implementation of waste management programmes/projects in Fiji and the Pacific Region.
- Well versed with the national legislations and policies enforced on Waste Management and Pollution Control in Fiji. The applicant should be able to make recommendations and identify synergies for streamlining Waste Management and Pollution Control amongst many portfolios.
- The applicant must have a good understanding of the institutional arrangements and legislative mandate of all waste management and pollution control related sectors and its linkage to achieving the broad objective of the NWMPCS and Fiji's National Development Plan.
- Have a strong knowledge of Fiji's state of the environment and related issues.
- The applicant must submit a detailed proposal to the Department with the methodology noting schedule, activities, concurrent or sequential development, engagement with country representatives and provide specific information on how they will deliver and manage the requested works.
- The applicant must provide examples for past work related to policy/ strategy development. Copies of policies, strategies or guide lines and plan develop must be provided.

Timeline

The NWMPCS must be submitted to the Department of Environment within three (3) months of execution of the Agreement.

Application Process

To apply and be eligible for consideration applicants must submit the following three documents: Curriculum Vitae with full contact details of three referees, a cover letter summarizing your experience and qualification for this consultant, fee proposal and work plan with timelines to undertake this assignment.

The Terms of Reference for the Consultancy is accessible upon request via email to: iva.josivini@environment.gov.fj or kritika.raj@environment.gov.fj

Applications to be submitted by January 31, 2025 either a hardcopy or electronically to:

Hard Copy:

CONFIDENTIAL – Consultancy to review, validate and update the National Waste Management and Pollution Control Strategy (NWMPCS) 2025 – 2035 and delivered to the address below on or before 4.30 pm on January 31, 2025:

Director of Environment
Department of Environment
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change
318 Toorak Rd, Bali Tower Building
P. O. Box 2109, Government buildings, Suva, Fiji.

Electronically:

Email Ms. Iva Josivini - iva.josivini@environment.gov.fj and Ms. Kritika Rai - kritika.raj@environment.gov.fj

NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED.