Invitation for Expression of Interest

Expression of Interest (EOI) is hereby invited from interested Government of India/Government of Assam agencies/undertakings/organizations/societies and other similar organizations having experience of implementing plantation/cultivation work with agri-horticulture related Farmer Procurer Organizations/Farmer Producer Companies, for empanelling to undertake Bamboo Plantation in FPO/FPC model in the state of Assam under National Bamboo Mission to be completed within 3 (three) years. Interested agencies/undertakings/organizations/societies may offer their interest along with mandatory particulars before 10/10/2020 (10th of October 2020). The EOI received after due date shall not be considered. The State Bamboo Development Agency (SBDA), Assam shall not be any way responsible for any postal delay or any other reasons in receiving any EOI after the due date. The undersigned reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the offers without assigning any reason thereof. The detailed terms and conditions are as below:

Terms & Conditions for Expression of Interest for bamboo plantation:

- 1. The State Bamboo Development Agency (SBDA), Assam is planning to undertake bamboo plantation on farmers' field as secondary crop in FPO/FPC model to be sponsored by National Bamboo Mission for 2020-21.
- 2. The cost norms shall be in the ratio 60:40 of the project cost where 60% is to be provided by SBDA and 40% will be the own contribution of FPO/FPC/Societies/other similar organizations for raising the plantation. The fund shall be released in the ratio of 50:30:20 during the 1st, 2nd and 3rd years respectively. Fund in subsequent 2 years shall be linked to survival percentage minimum 80% after 1st year and 100% after 2nd year, with replacement saplings of the same age as that of the remaining surviving ones. The details of release of fund is as per paragraph 10.2.4 of revised operational guidelines of the Restructured National Bamboo Mission. All the interested parties are therefore requested to go through the revised Operational Guidelines of The Restructured National Bamboo Mission available at https://industriescom.assam.gov.in The SBDA reserves the right to release the funds in installments, subject to availability of fund.
- **3.** For the year 2020-21 as per the Approved Annual Action Plan, the SBDA plans to raise bamboo plantations in FPC/FPO model in 600 Hectare of land (maximum) which is subject to change as per the fund received from National Bamboo Mission. The organization should submit the list of such agri-horticulture FPCs with whom they intend to raise bamboo plantations and such FPO/FPCs must have a minimum of 100 farmers per FPO/FPCs. Rate quoted by the organization should be within the specified rate earmarked per hectare as per Operational Guidelines of Restructured National Bamboo Mission i.e. Rs.60,000/Hectare in the ratio of 50:30:20 for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd year respectively.
- **4.** The interested parties must have experience in implementing plantation/cultivation work with agri-horticulture related Farmer Producer Organisations/Farmer Producer Companies which is to be supported by necessary documents. The organization will have to submit a notarized self-certificate on this account. The organization having work experience in implementing bamboo plantation work will be given preference.
- 5. The interested parties must submit only hardcopies of the proposal in duplicate to The Office of The Mission Director, State Bamboo Development Agency, Udyog Bhawan, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-781021 before the last date of submission along with mandatory documents. The proposal must contain details of all the farmers including name, address, contact number, quantity of land (in Hectare), detailed estimate of the project, write up/plan for implementation of the project indicating timeline and different activities to be undertaken by them for achieving the first crop/harvest, details of the FPOs/FPCs under them including the copy of the registration/incorporation under the necessary acts of the Government.
- **6.** The organization must deploy personnel having proven knowledge and/or experience in Bamboo Plantation, propagation, IT interventions.
- 7. The organization's Head Office/Regional Office should be located within the state capital of Assam or the organization should delicate the financial power to the office located in Assam for handling of the fund to be received from State Bamboo Development Agency, Assam.
- **8.** The organization will have to abide by any other terms and conditions that may be added/deleted/modified by National Bamboo Mission or State Bamboo Development Agency, Assam from time to time.
- **9.** If any question arises relating to the interpretation of this EOI, the decision of The State Bamboo Development Agency, Assam shall be final in this regard and all the parties shall abide by it.

Deputy Mission Director cum CEO, State Bamboo Development Agency, Udyog Bhawan, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21