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Ministry of Economic Development
Male',
Republic of Maldives

Support People's Livelihoods in the Fishery Sector in Maldives through Sustainable Energy Project

Term of Reference and Scope of Services for

Individual Consultancy Service for Refrigerated Sea Water (RSW) Expert

1. Background

The Government of Maldives (GoM) through the support of the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) are implementing the *Support People's Livelihoods in the Fishery Sector in Maldives through Sustainable Energy Project* to upscale up to 200 fishing vessels in the Maldives.

In line with the strategic objective of the Government of Maldives, Ministry of Economic Development in collaboration with Ministry of Fisheries, Marine Resources, Agriculture, SME Development and Finance Corporation (SDFC) has initiated to support a project to equip about 200 fishing vessels with Refrigerated Sea Water (RSW) systems through Islamic Finance methods. The project aims to contribute to achieving Policy 5: Increase profitability from fishery activities ('Hama Agu' Policy) of the country's Strategic Action Plan (SAP) for 2019-2023.

Ministry of Economic Development as the implementing agency is seeking to engage an RSW Expert (Consultant) to support the project.

2. Scope of Services

The Consultant is primarily responsible for providing technical, and programming implementation support and oversight, and knowledge and capacity development services related to the project.

- i Evaluate the efficiency of existing RSW systems in operation in Maldives and options in the market in general;
- ii Undertake extensive analysis of the effectiveness of the project and identify the gaps and advice on the effectiveness of the project;
- iii Provide technical guidance to ensure that the RSW system complies with all relevant regulations and standards, including those set by regulatory bodies;
- iv Provide expert opinion on the technical specifications proposed by the vendors and advice on the feasible costings;
- v Inspect the equipment supplied by vendors through this project and provide opinion on its technical specifications;



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- vi Provide technical guidance to the project beneficiaries to optimize the performance of RSW systems, including recommendations for improvements in system design, equipment selection, and operational procedures;
- vii Provide recommendations on modifications to existing systems to improve their efficiency, reliability, or environmental impact;
- viii Prepare technical reports and presentations to be presented to the Steering Committee;
- ix Assist in preparing Monitoring and Evaluation tools for the project;
- x Provide strategic advice to MED in management and the project including the development of guiding principles and practices for the organization;
- xi Prepare and submit a monthly timesheet of tasks above (in i-x) to the Project Director.

3. Expected Deliverables:

- a. Technical specifications and minimum technical requirements in the RSW Systems procured through the project;
- b. Technical/ expert opinion on the proposals received to be used in the evaluation;
- c. System Installation and Operation Guidelines in line with all relevant regulations and standards, including those set by regulatory bodies;
- d. Reports on Supervision and advisory role during the installation, testing of RSW systems
- e. Minimum 2 knowledge products to improve their efficiency, reliability, or environmental impact of the project.

4. Reporting Obligations

The Consultant will be placed at SDFC and will be required to report to the Project Director.

5. Shortlisting Criteria (Required Expertise and Qualifications)

- Minimum Bachelor's Degree qualification in relevant field (refrigeration, marine engineering, cold storage) with 10 years of experience, OR minimum MQA level 5 or equivalent vocation training in relevant field (refrigeration, marine engineering, cold storage) with 20 years of experience.
- Master's Degree in relevant field is preferred.
- Proven record of similar consultancy services (at least 1 study in the last 5 years) evaluated based on quantity, relevancy, and timeline of services.
- Experience in the Maldivian/other similar region's fishing industry and a good understanding of industry dynamics is an added advantage.
- Experience with donor funded projects such as projects implemented by IsDB will be an added advantage.
- Fluency in written and spoken English is a requirement.



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6. Contract Duration

This is a 1-year (12 Months) contract. The contract shall be renewed based on performance, need, and funding. This contract is expected to commence in **July 2023**.

7. Working hours

The selected applicant will be required to complete assigned tasks and projects and will be required to report on a requirement basis. A Monthly Time Sheet (Monthly Tasks Completion Report) would be submitted end of the month.

8. Required Documents

Interested candidates must submit the following documents/information to demonstrate their qualifications, experience, and responsiveness to this TOR.

- i. Complete and up-to-date Curriculum Vitae (CV).
- ii. Copy of National Identity Card.
- iii. Copies of academic certificates with transcripts.
- iv. Reference letters from current/ previous employers certifying type of employment, job roles, and service period.

9. Expression of Interest Application Submission

Interested Consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 08:00 to 16:00 hours (local time). Your applications are to be sent to the address;

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Applications must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by **1400 hrs on 8th June 2023**.