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Expression of Interest (EoI) for Sector Partner

Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti is implementing Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), which aims to provide Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) to every rural household of the country by 2024. With the national goal of improving the 'ease of living' of people living in rural areas, Government of India has shifted the focus of providing potable water from habitations to rural households by launching Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) in August, 2019. JJM is a time-bound, mission-mode programme that focuses on service delivery at household level, i.e. water supply on regular and long-term basis in adequate quantity and of prescribed quality.

The 73rd Amendment to the Constitution of India has placed the subject of drinking water in the Eleventh Schedule and has assigned its management to Gram Panchayats. Keeping this in view, under JJM, Gram Panchayats and local community will play the pivotal role in planning, implementation, management, operation and maintenance of in-village water supply systems including drinking water sources.

The decentralized, demand-driven, community-managed implementation of the programme will instill 'sense of ownership' among the local community, create an environment of trust and bring in transparency leading to better implementation and long-term O&M of water supply systems. JJM envisages that the Gram Panchayats and/ or their sub-committees, i.e. user groups like the Village Water & Sanitation Committee (VWSC)/ Paani Samiti, etc. are to plan, build, manage, operate and maintain in-village water supply systems ensuring that the schemes last at least till the full design period.

The mission plans to holistically address the challenges, viz. depleting water sources, increasing water quality-issues, lack of in-village infrastructure, poor Operation & Maintenance (O&M), lack of resource efficiency, competing water demands from various sectors, etc.

Many organizations, individuals already working in the field of water have shown genuine interests to be partner in this pan-India programme, Jal Jeevan Mission. Thus, JJM aims to harness the huge potential of the local community through Voluntary Organizations (VOs), Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), social service & charity organizations, and professionals working in drinking water sector, who are willing to work towards mobilizing and enhancing the capacities of the communities to achieve the goal of the mission.

For this transformational Mission's success, it is imperative that Government and private/ corporate sector including voluntary & charity organizations join hands together to develop synergy for efficient outputs. To make water everyone's business, mission strives to build partnerships and work together with various institutions/ individuals to achieve drinking water security for all.

National Jal Jeevan Mission (NJJM), Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti seeks interest from foundations, trusts, NGOs, Community Based Organisations (CBOs), VOs, etc. to work closely with the mission as 'Sector Partner'. Basically, sector partners are organizations proactively working in the social sector as detailed below with wide outreach and impact. They are expected to play a huge role in supporting the implementation of JJM. The Terms of Reference (ToR) and declaration/ undertaking form may be downloaded from the website <https://jalshakti-ddws.gov.in> and CPP Portal.

In view of this, services of organisations/ agencies having experience in the field of water, sanitation and hygiene, natural resources management, community engagement, capacity building & awareness generation, education, health, tribal development, gender & equity, etc. is required. The interested agencies may submit their applications in the prescribed format for consideration of the NJJM.

2. Pre-Qualification criteria for submitting Expression of Interest (Eoi)

DDWS seeks Expressions of Interest (Eoi) from agencies/ firms/ organizations fulfilling the following requirements:

- i.) a minimum 5 years experience in areas mentioned above as a registered organization for organizations under 4(a) including organizations under Registration of Societies Act

1860, or a Public Trust registered under Indian Trust Act 1982 or a corporation registered under Section 8 of Companies Act;

- ii.) it should be a not-for-profit organization or use its profits, if any, or other income in promoting charitable objectives;
- iii.) experience of using Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) techniques and other communication tools in community mobilization;
- iv.) it should have sufficiently qualified personnel and resources to accomplish the tasks mentioned in the scope of work; and
- v.) be able to submit last three years duly audited and properly maintained accounts, income tax return and published Annual Reports.

3. List of documents that applicant agency/ organization needs to submit along with the application

- i.) Application format;
- ii.) Copy of the registration/ Memorandum of Association of the organization;
- iii.) Complete address of the organization with contact details;
- iv.) Copy of PAN, GSTIN/ Service Tax Registration Certificate;
- v.) Copy of the audited financial statements for last three years;
- vi.) Affidavit that the organization is not currently blacklisted by any government department or agency list of board/ governing body members with contact details, occupation and experience; and
- vii.) List of all projects completed or under execution in the last 5 years.

4. The selection process would be as follows

The Department would evaluate the EoIs submitted by the applicants based on specified criteria. The Department would evaluate the EoI of only those agencies which shall fulfill the mandatory eligibility requirements mentioned at para 2 above.

5. Pre-requisites

- i.) Working in the social sector as mentioned in pre-qualification criteria should reflect in their Memorandum of Association as one of the activities;
- ii.) The organization will be open to inspection by CAG & CGA/ third party agency authorized by the Department/ NJJM;

6. Application process

The Expression of Interest (Eoi) with all relevant information and documents must be submitted on the online portal on or before 21 days from the date of publication of this Eoi. However, after submission of Eoi on the portal, a hard copy of the proposal should be submitted to this Department within 7 days after the last date of submission of proposals.

7. Contact Details

Further details, if any, may be obtained by writing to above mentioned address or e-mail: vikas.sri@nic.in or through telephone no. 011-24368561/ 24363515.

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Note: DDWS reserves the right to cancel this request for Eoi and/ or invite proposals afresh with or without amendments, without liability or any obligation for such request for Eoi and without assigning any reason. Information provided at this stage is indicative and DDWS reserves the right to amend/ add further details in the Eoi.