



Republic of Zambia

PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATION, EASTERN PROVINCE
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES-FIRMS SELECTION)

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR CONDUCTING END OF PROJECT EVALUATION

Project Name: ZAMBIA INTEGRATED FOREST LANDSCAPE PROJECT (ZIFLP)

Project No. P161490

Reference No. MNDP/ZIFLP/CS/002/2021

1.0 BACKGROUND

Zambia has developed the National REDD+ Strategy focusing on tackling different drivers of deforestation in both the forestry and other identified key sectors in particular, agriculture, energy, mining and infrastructure. To facilitate the implementation of the National REDD+ strategy, and overall transitional arrangements from REDD+ Readiness to implementation, Government developed the Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Project (ZIFL-P). The Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Project's (ZIFLP) is co-financed by the Government of Zambia (GRZ), the World Bank, through the International Development Agency (IDA), Bio-Carbon Fund Initiative for Sustainable Forest Landscapes (BioCFplus-ISFL), the Global Environmental Facility (GEF) and contributions from beneficiary communities. The Zambia Integrated Forest Landscape Project's (ZIFLP) Development Objective is *"to improve landscape management and increase environmental and economic benefits for targeted rural communities in the Eastern Province and to improve the Recipient's capacity to respond promptly and effectively to an Eligible Crisis or Emergency."*

2.0 OBJECTIVE

The overall goal of the project is *"to improve landscape management and increase environmental and economic benefits for targeted rural communities in the Eastern Province and to improve the Recipient's capacity to respond promptly and effectively to an Eligible Crisis or Emergency."*

The project aimed to achieve the following objectives:

- i. Improve forest management and empower communities to participate in such management;
- ii. improve agricultural productivity and resilience resulting from adoption of climate-smart agriculture (CSA) practices;
- iii. Improve livelihoods by creating opportunities for jobs and through access to forest products;
- iv. improve capacities to better manage landscapes and land rights for multiple benefits; and
- v. Help secure ecosystem services and enhance resilience from intact biodiversity.

3.0 SCOPE OF WORK

The following areas shall be assessed during the end of project evaluation:

- a) **Relevance:** Assess the design and focus of the project
- b) **Effectiveness:** Describe the project management processes and their appropriateness in supporting delivery
- c) **Efficiency:** Assess the use and allocation of project resources Financial and administrative resources:

1.1 Time:

- Was enough time allowed for the achievement of the intended objectives?
- Were work plans developed and implemented according to plan? Were the work plans monitored and adapted where necessary to achieve intended objectives of the project?

1.2 Human Resources:

- Were there enough human resources (including staff in the PIU and government department) with adequate competence for the achievement of intended objectives

1.3 Management arrangements:

- To what extent was the organizational setup of the project efficient? Were responsibilities and reporting lines clear? How was the division and clarity of roles and responsibilities?
- Asses the timeliness of decision making.
- How well did the partnership and management arrangements work and how did they develop over time?
- Were communication lines effective and efficient?

1.4 Implementation and Monitoring:

- Were there delays in project implementation and completion? If so, what were they and how did they affect project delivery?
- Assess how project implementation was adaptive, pro-active and responded to changes and lessons learned.
- Assess how risks were identified, monitored and mitigated during project implementation.
- How well did the project implement its M&E framework?
- How did the project use the information generated during project monitoring to adapt to changing needs and improve project performance?
- Review if broader development aspects (livelihood, capacity building, gender, etc.) were monitored effectively and how.

d) Lessons Learnt and Best Practices

e) Sustainability, scaling-up and replication

4.0 SELECTION CRITERIA

Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services these include:

- a. Five (5) years working experience in project management and evaluations (mid & end of project) of climate change, environment, natural resources, energy and related fields.
- b. Must have experience in conducting similar assignments in Sub-Saharan Africa or Third World Countries.
- c. 5 years demonstrated experience of working with multi-lateral agencies and development bank;
- d. Must have a local national who shall have experience in evaluations

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers (January 2011 revised July 1, 2014), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant's Qualifications Selection Method (CQS) set out in the World Bank's [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers](#) (January 2011 revised July 1, 2014).

5.0 DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION

The Provincial Administration now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the services.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 08:00 -13:00 and from 14:00-17:00 hours local time, Zambia.

Hard copy submissions of Expressions of interest clearly marked “**CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR CONDUCTING END OF PROJECT EVALUATION FOR THE ZAMBIA INTEGRATED FOREST LANDSCAPE PROJECT**” must be delivered and deposited in the Tender Box located at the Office of the President, Provincial Administration, Eastern Province, Hospital Road, Opposite Indo Zambia Bank, P.O Box 510069 Chipata or email to mututastephen1@gmail.com and copy to aaroncngonga.ziflp@gmail.com. **The deadline for submission is Friday 18th February 2022 at 17:00 hours.**

DETAILED TORS CAN BE ACCESSED AT ZIFLP OFFICIAL WEBSITE: www.ziflp.org.zm

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