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KE1: FP RIDP Project Manager

Overview

Position Title: FP RIDP Project Manager

Position Number: KE1

Timeframe: January 5, 2021 – December 31, 2022 (number of expert-days TBD)

Location: Andijan and Ferghana Regions

Conditions: please see below the specific conditions' session

Background:

The **Rural Infrastructure Development Project (RIDP)** is implemented by the Ministry of Economic Development and Poverty Reduction (MoED) with financing from the World Bank (WB) and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB). The development objective of the RIDP is to (i) **improve the quality of basic infrastructure** and (ii) **strengthen participatory local governance processes** in Selected *Qishloqs*, where participatory local governance refers to inclusive community participation in needs assessments as well as the planning, prioritization, and selection of subproject investments, and oversight activities including the monitoring of procurement, subprojects, and social audits.

Facilitating partners (FPs) will **provide training and capacity support** to district hokimiyats, MCA executive committees and MDUs to **increase citizen participation, transparency, and accountability throughout the RIDP implementation cycle** by mobilizing, training and deploying Qishloq Facilitators and Qishloq Engineers overseen and supported by technical specialists. FPs will also provide technical assistance to the PIU on topics including community mobilization and capacity building and rural water supply and sanitation.

Purpose:

The purpose of the **FP RIDP Project Manager** is to **provide strong leadership to the Facilitating Partner (FP) team**, and:

- to represent the FP to all key stakeholders;
- to ensure strong cooperation with the MoED;
- to act as a liaison between the MoED and field-level staff, and provide advice to the MoED on improving project implementation;
- to act how to strengthen the role of Mahalla Development Units (MDUs) and Mahalla Citizens' Assemblies (MCAs);
- to develop and implement the work plan and methodology for community mobilization activities.

Main Responsibilities:

- Provide overall project leadership, including representing the FP in all aspects of implementation and vis-à-vis all key stakeholders.
- Prepare and submit high-quality reports to the MoED PIU in a timeline manner.
- Ensure strong cooperation with the MoED PIU on all aspects of implementation and contract management, and with the World Bank project team.
- Advise the MoED PIU on opportunities to refine and improve the project implementation cycle based on feedback from field staff.

- Coordinate closely with the MoED PIU opportunities to strengthen the role of MDUs and MCAs to carry out activities in support of the GoU's Poverty Reduction Strategy.
- Develop and implement the work plan and methodology for community mobilization activities that minimize risks associated with COVID-19 and are in line with prevailing norms and regulations for public gatherings and social distancing.

Specific Qualifications

- Master's degree or higher in rural development or similar field;
- Minimum of 10 years' professional experience managing community-based, rural development or similar projects;
- Prior experience managing donor-financed projects, and the associated fiduciary requirements and processes; prior experience working on World Bank-financed projects is a plus
- Prior experience in community mobilization and communications;
- Sound technical, analytical and report writing skills;
- Experiencing interacting with Government structures, senior government officials, and representatives of international organizations;
- Fluency in English, and/or Uzbek languages is an advantage;
- Prior experience working in the Ferghana Valley of Uzbekistan is desirable

General conditions for submitting an application

Applicants should submit the following documents:

- Extensive resume detailing their background, and experiences in the same field of expertise
- Copy of their ID
- The Questionnaire attached filed in, and signed hereby agreeing on the use of their personal data for the selection process and the contacting phase if selected
- The present ToRs initialled on each page

Applying to this advertisement does not guarantee to be selected for an interview, nor the award of a contract.

Specific conditions

The selected expert will be contracted through an ACTED regular service provision contract including KPIs only if ACTED is granted the related project by the donor.

Further detailed conditions with regard to this assignment will be negotiated with the successful candidate upon award of the grant by the donor. All experts engaged with ACTED are subject to safety & security rules, and mandatory insurance provisions.