Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Prime Minister's Office Bangladesh Economic Zones Authority (BEZA) Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa Nagar (BSMSN) Development Project under Bangladesh Private Investment & Digital Entrepreneurship Project (P170688) Biniyog Bhaban (Level 7,8,9) Plot#E-6/B, W Agargaon, Dhaka 1207

Terms of Reference for Selection of Public Private Partnership (PPP) Senior Advisor (National) (1 no.)

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Project Background:

The Government of Bangladesh, with the support of the World Bank is implementing the Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa Nagar (BSMSN) Development Project under Bangladesh Private Investment & Digital Entrepreneurship Project (P170688) to accelerate investment activities in BSMSN. The project will help develop institutional capacities as well as infrastructural facilities of the Bangladesh Economic Zones Authority (BEZA) to develop and manage Economic Zones in Bangladesh.

The Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa Nagar (BSMSN) Development Project under Bangladesh Private Investment & Digital Entrepreneurship Project (P170688) objective is to develop BEZA in to an organization equipped with business friendly automated processes and environment compliant zones that will facilitate growth in business and investments in the emerging manufacturing and services sectors of the economy with the aim of generating employment.

Bangladesh Economic Zones Authority (BEZA) is seeking an PPP Senior Advisor (National) in order to assist in developing, structuring and procurement of PPP projects for Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa Nagar (BSMSN) Development Project under Bangladesh Private Investment & Digital Entrepreneurship Project (P170688).

<u>The Roles and Responsibilities of PPP Senior Advisor (National) would include, but</u> not limited to, the following:

 Support BEZA in assessing the technical, economic, financial and legal feasibility of PPP projects to be implemented in BSMSN. These PPP projects include the following: Water Supply, Power Network, Central Effluent Treatment Plant, Rooftop and floating solar, Steam network, Solid Waste Management, Biogas plant, waste sorting and material recovery facility, Master development of Green industrial parks, etc.

- Help BEZA recruit best qualified consultants and then work with the consultants to ensure quality outputs of pre-feasibility, detailed feasibility and other reports of PPP projects
- Work with Transaction Advisors in developing PPP structures, PPP procurement documents and draft contracts that are in line with appropriate laws and regulations, including PPP Law
- Support BEZA in engaging with all external stakeholders, including potential financiers of PPP projects, etc., with respect to ensuring successful implementation of PPP projects
- Support BEZA Tender Committees in evaluating PPP bids and other BEZA management teams in evaluating and approving PPP projects
- Support PRIDE Project Team to secure all requisite approvals for implementation of PPP projects internally as well as from other Government departments and agencies
- Support BEZA in identifying the capacities required within BEZA's PPP unit, identifying the capacity gaps and capacity building support that such an unit will require. Support BEZA to procure and implement required training and development programs.
- Policy advice and support through technical assistance to the national counterparts;
- Specify the capacity development requirements necessary for units to manage sectoral PPP projects;
- Work closely with designated BEZA staff on all PPP projects to help develop their capacity to identify, develop, structure and procure PPP projects;
- Any other task assigned by the authority.

Qualification and Experience:

Academic:

• Master's degree in Economics, Finance, Accounting, Law, Management, Public Administration or Graduate in Engineering.

• Professional certification/degree in PPP from any internationally recognized institution will be given preference.

Experience:

- A minimum of 15 years proven working experience in the field of Public Private Partnership (PPP)/Project Management/Procurement/Contract Management/ Project Financing;
- Experience in similar operating environment and conditions will be given preference; and
- Experience in MDB funded/UN Organizations/Donor funded PPP projects will be given preference.

Deliverables

The key deliverables of the PPP Senior Advisor (National) will be:

- Complete and regularly updated PPP Plans and quarterly progress reports with updates on each PPP project
- At least [four] completed feasibility reports and at least [three] complete set of PPP procurement documents
- At least [six] successfully completed training programs with a minimum of [100] government staff designated by BEZA having attended at least one of these programs; quarterly reports on training programs organized. Consultant's performance indicator will include an assessment of the knowledge and capability of designated BEZA officials for independently carrying out routine PPP procurement tasks by the end of the consultant's contract.
- Monthly, semi- annual, and annual procurement progress reports based on format to be agreed with BEZA in consultation World Bank.

• PPP documentation and records are systematically maintained so as to be readily available for review and audit.

Duration of employment and Place of Work:

- For period- March, 2022 to February 2024. Depending on the need of the client and satisfactory performance of the consultant, the contract period may be extended through mutual agreement.
- Duty Station: Head office located at BEZA Office located at Dhaka; however, the consultant needs to do field visits in Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Shilpa Nagar.

Commencement of the Service: 1 March, 2022 (Indicative)

Selection Method:

Selection of the consultant will follow the procedures for 'Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants' described in the 'Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (July 2016, Revised November 2020)'.

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