



ZAMBIA ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AGENCY

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

(INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT SELECTION)

Name of Project: CONSULTANCY FOR THE IN-DEPTH NATIONAL SURVEY ON VULNERABLE POPULATIONS TO MERCURY EXPOSURE

Reference No: ZEMA/SIP- SURVEY/10/2022

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The Government of Zambia has received financing from the Specific International Programme (SIP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds through Zambia Environmental Management Agency (ZEMA) in implementing a project under the entitled "Strengthening the Institutional Capacity for Zambia to Implement the Obligations of Minamata Convention by Reducing the Presence of Mercury in Vulnerable Population". The overall objective of this project is to support Zambia in implementing the obligations of the Minamata Convention by reducing the presence of mercury in vulnerable populations.

OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE OF WORK

The purpose of this consultancy is to conduct an in-depth national survey on vulnerable populations to mercury exposure in Zambia. The scope of work will include: conducting a mercury exposure and release assessment to vulnerable populations, disaggregating the vulnerability by demographic groupings, training of data collectors in exposure and release assessment, undertaking the survey; and analysing the data and compiling the survey report on vulnerable populations.

2.0 TASKS OF THE CONSULTANT

The consultant shall therefore:

- i. Identify vulnerable populations
- ii. Develop a training manual for release and exposure assessment
- iii. Draft and submit an inception report;
- iv. Conduct an exposure and release assessment; and

- v. Compile the survey report on vulnerable populations.

3.0 DURATION OF THE ASSIGNMENT

The consultancy shall be covered over period of three months.

4.0 INVITATION

ZEMA therefore invites interested and eligible Individual ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Individual ("Consultants") should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to undertake the assignment.

5.0 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The shortlisting criteria includes:

The required expertise and qualifications of the Consultant are as set out below.

Education:

The consultant should have a minimum University post graduate degree in Natural Sciences such as Chemistry, Chemical Technology, Environmental or other related fields;

Experience:

- a) At least 5 years of experience in related fields;
- b) At least 2 years in technical roles or consultancy in projects;
- c) Knowledge of local languages;
- d) Adequate knowledge of the international benchmarks in legislation and management of chemicals including mercury and hazardous waste;
- e) International exposure and good knowledge of principles of chemicals management (as related to Minamata, Rotterdam, Stockholm and Basel Conventions); and
- f) Demonstrated ability to facilitate, coordinate and write analytical reports.

Language requirement

- A working knowledge of written and verbal communication skills in English

Functional Competencies

Leadership: capacity to engage with a wide audience at various levels

Technical skills: Good understanding of principles of chemicals safety and health

Communication: The consultant will have a good interpersonal and corporate communication skills

Teamwork: ability to establish and maintain good working relations with colleagues in multi-disciplinary environment

The above required relevant qualifications and experience *relate to the qualifications and experience of the Individual Consultant.*

Interested Individual Consultants may obtain detailed Terms of Reference (ToRs) at the address below during office hours (08:30 -12:30 and 14:30 to 16:30 hours local time) or visit ZEMA website www.zema.org.zm

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written hard copy form to the address below (in person, or by mail) or electronically to the email addresses below by **4th November 2022**, at **10:30** hours local time.

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