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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

**Consultancy for Development of the Software Components of InfoBhoomi in Applications of Geoinfor-Box: A Localized Spatial Data Infrastructure**

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InfoBhoomi Project

Grant No: AHEAD/RIC/STEM/HEMS/No. 24

Faculty of Geomatics- Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka

The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has received a credit/grant (6026-LK/8743-LK) from the World Bank toward the cost of Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development (AHEAD) Operation functioning under the Ministry of Education.

The implementing agency is the Ministry of education (MOE). The University Grants Commission (UGC) will coordinate the activities of the universities. There will be an Operations Monitoring and Support Team (OMST) which will coordinate and support all AHEAD activities between the MOE, UGC, and the universities.

AHEAD has three Results Areas:

Results Area 1: Increasing Enrolment in Priority Disciplines for Economic

Development Results Area 2: Improving the Quality of Higher Education

Results Area 3: Promoting Research, Development, and Innovation

The project InfoBhoomi, funded under AHEAD RIC grants, focuses on the development of localized Spatial Data Infrastructure (SDI) for supporting local governance processes. Local Government Authorities (LAs) are the primary tier of the governance system of Sri Lanka. LAs are responsible for the administration and regulation of matters relating to public health, utility services, thoroughfares, etc. Yet, the efficient delivery of public services by LAs is hindered due to weak capacity and limited resource availability. National Policy on Local Government 1632/26, 2009 aims to facilitate the transformation of LAs to effectively lead local development contributing to achieving national goals. Local data management for evidence-based decision-making is a core aspect of this transformation.

Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development (AHEAD) Operation and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consultancy for the development of the software components of InfoBhoomi in applications of Geo-infor-Box. The consultancy service is attached to the

TOR. The objectives are attached in the description of the consultancy.

### **1.Purpose and Objective of the Consultancy:**

- The objective of this assignment is to develop a mobile application (for Android platforms) for the Web-GIS based Land Information System called InfoBhoomi.

### **2.Qualification & Experience of the Consultant**

- Educational qualifications- A degree in Information Systems or a relevant area
- Over 10 years' experience as an academic and/or professional in the relevant field, preferably with experience on facilitating data management for decision making and commercial applications with similar products.

### **3.Required professional competencies**

- ability to carry out the key tasks effectively and efficiently
- ability to interact with senior academic and administrative staff in the university
- ability to function effectively in a team environment inspiring trust and cooperation of other team members
- ability to work efficiently, and to meet deadlines
- strong communication, negotiating skills and good interpersonal relations
- ability to speak, read and write fluent English, and assist in the production of project reports in English

### **4.Shortlisting Criteria**

- i. Experience in content & software development – No. of Years.
- ii. Skills & competencies to undertake this consultancy

### **5.Conflict of interest**

The Consultant is required to provide professional, objective, and impartial advice, at all times holding the Client's interests paramount, strictly avoiding conflicts with other assignments or its own corporate interests, and acting without any consideration for future works.

### **6.Invitation to Submit Expression of Interest**

The AHEAD Project Procurement Committee on behalf of the Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka now invites the eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the service. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills, etc.)

### **7.Method of Selection**

Individual Consultant - Selection on Competition

## 8.Submission Details

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the ‘Obtaining consultancy services under AHEAD operation (IC-C)’. Expressions of interest including CV and Technical Proposal must be delivered to the Director, Operational Technical Secretariat, AHEAD Operations, Sabaragamuwa University of Sri Lanka, Belihuloya **on or before 2.30p.m. of December 27th of 2022.** The reference number “AHEAD/RA3/RIC/SUSL/FOG/CON/TOR/3-d – EOI” should be clearly indicated on the top left-hand corner of the sealed documents.

Financial Proposal must be delivered separately to the same address by **2.30p.m. of December 27th of 2022.** The reference number “AHEAD/RA3/RIC/SUSL/FOG/CON/TOR/3-d– Financial Proposal” should be clearly indicated on the top left-hand corner of the sealed documents. Received documents will be opened soon after closing in the presence of the candidates or their representatives who choose to attend.

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