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Kenya Marine Fisheries Socio-Economic Development Project
(KEMFSED)
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Request for Expression of Interest
(Consulting Services – Individual Consultant Selection)
Country: Kenya

Name of project: **Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)**

Project No.: P163980

Credit No: 65400-KE

Assignment Title: Individual Consulting Services to Develop Two (2) National Plans of Action for The Conservation and Management of Sea Turtles and Seabirds in Kenya's Marine Fishery Waters

Contract No.: KE-MOMBEMA-C1-2023-019 - INDV/MMBE&MA/SDBE&F/04/2023-2024

1. This Request for Expression of Interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project that appeared in Development Business; of 10th August 2020.
2. The Government of Kenya has received a Credit from International Development Agency (IDA) towards the cost of the **Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development Project (KEMFSED)** and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this Credit to payments under this contract: Individual Consulting Services for Development of Two (2) National Plans of Action for The Conservation and Management of Sea Turtles and Seabirds In Kenya's Marine Fishery Waters Contract No. KE-MOMBEMA-C1-2023-019-INDV/MMBE&MA/SDBE&F/04/2023-2024
3. **The overall objective** of this assignment is to support and guide the development of the two (2) NPOAs that reflect and promote best practice in the conservation and management of sea turtles and seabirds.
4. **The tasks to be carried out under the assignment includes but not limited to:**
 - a) Review, collate and collect information and conduct assessment to determine the extent and status of incidental catch of seabirds in longline and other interacting fisheries. The assessment may include, but is not limited to the analysis of the following:
 - i. Fishing fleet data (numbers of vessels and sizes);
 - ii. Fishing techniques/ methods data (demersal, pelagic, etc.);
 - iii. Fishing areas;
 - iv. Longline and other fisheries effort (seasons, species, catch, number of hooks/year/fisheries etc.);
 - v. Status of seabird populations in the fishing areas, if known;
 - vi. Total annual catch of seabirds (numbers per 1000 hooks set/species/longline fishery));
 - vii. Existing mitigation measures in use and their effectiveness in reducing incidental catch of seabirds;

viii. Incidental catch of sea turtles and seabirds monitoring (observer program, etc.).

- b) Review and synthesize relevant data and information with respect to fisheries interaction with sea turtles and other human induced activities and climate change risks, review existing National strategy for conservation and management of sea turtles, taking into consideration the policy and legal frameworks at national, regional and international level and prepare baseline and risk assessment reports and provide an overview of national measures to be put in place to conserve and manage fisheries sea turtles and sea birds interactions;
- c) Engage, support and facilitate the national process of stakeholders' consultation as necessary, including regional and international obligations e.g. FAO, Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC), etc.;
- d) Develop and draft the two (2) NPOAs- Sea turtles and Seabirds ready for adoption and approval, consistent with the following aims:
 - i) To assess threats to sea turtles and seabirds' populations, and recommend ways to assess and protect critical habitats;
 - ii) To improve or develop effective consultation involving all stakeholders in research, management, conservation, organization and communities;
 - iii) To minimize incidental catches of sea turtles and sea birds while targeting other species, e.g. tuna, swordfish, etc. as per the FAO Code of Conduct for Responsible Fisheries, the IOTC Conservation and Management Measures (CMMs);
 - iv) To provide for capacity building in fisheries monitoring, data collection and management, and awareness training in the conservation of sea turtles and seabirds as vulnerable marine species;
 - v) To identify the roles of and promote collaboration among relevant government agencies and other organizations to deliver efficient and sustainable outcomes in the conservation and management of sea turtles and seabirds;
- e) Review the draft NPOAs and revise as needed, providing recommendations and action/implementation plans with regards to the long-term implementation of each NPOA
- f) Submit the final draft NPOAs sea turtles and sea birds and technical report including reports of meetings held during consultations

5. The consultant shall possess the following qualifications:

- a) Minimum of a master's degree or equivalent level of qualification in Marine fisheries science, Fisheries management, Marine biology and ecology or similar qualifications from a university recognized in Kenya.
- b) At least 10 years of general experience in marine fisheries resources management including marine fish stock status assessments, and specific experience in marine ecosystem assessments, ecological risk assessments, fisheries management planning and standards, or equivalent;
- c) Proven/ demonstrable ability to collect, verify and analyse information, and to finish and present work with a high degree of accuracy and technical quality, in relatively short time;
- d) Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing, in order to communicate complex, technical information to both technical and general audiences, including strong science-to-policy advice skills.
- e) Demonstrated evidence of similar assignments towards development of NPOAs, action plans or similar policy documents' development processes.

6. The Consulting Services Contract is expected to be for a period of **Four (4) calendar months** from the date of commencement.

7. The State Department of Blue Economy and Fisheries through the **Kenya Marine Fisheries and Socio-Economic Development (KEMFSED) Project** now invites individuals to express their interest in providing the services. Interested individuals must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (**attach curriculum vitae (CV), copies of documentary evidence of Academic qualifications, Professional Qualifications and registration/licensing of professional body**).
8. An Individual Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection of Individual Consultants method set out in the World Bank's *Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers dated November 2020 fourth Edition (Regulations)*.
9. Interested individuals may obtain further information at the address below from 0900 to 1700 hours East African Time (EAT) from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400hours EAT) and public holidays or download full TORs on Website: www.kemfsed.org; www.tenders.go.ke; www.mibema.go.ke

Expression of interest shall be delivered by **3rd October, 2023 at 1100hours EAT**. - using one of the following modalities: **(i)** deposit in the tender box located on Mezzanine Floor, Maktaba Kuu Building Opposite NHIF Ngong Road Nairobi, Kenya or **(ii)** send by email to: info@kemfsed.org and quote the Assignment title and Contract No. in the subject row. For expressions of interest that will be deposited at the tender box, the packages should be clearly marked **Individual Consulting Services to Develop Two (2) National Plans of Action for The Conservation and Management of Sea Turtles and Seabirds In Kenya's Marine Fishery Waters Activity No.KE-MOMBEMA-C1-2023-019-INDV/MMBE&MA/SDBE&F/04/2023-2024**.

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