

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT  
NIRMAN BHAVAN, NEW DELHI-100011, INDIA**

**Request for Letter of Expression of Interest for conducting studies / consultations on Policy Issues**

**Project Name: Capacity Building Project on Food Safety and Quality Control of Drugs**

**Dated: 31/8/ 2004  
IFB NO: CBP/TOR/2002**

1. The Government of India has been sanctioned a credit from International Development Association (IDA) and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this credit to finance the cost of studies and surveys under the Capacity Building Project on Food Safety and Quality Control of Drugs
2. Letter of Interest are invited from qualified and experienced consultants for any of the following studies on Policy Issues and Options proposed to be undertaken under the Capacity Building Project. These include
  - (i) Improving information collection on health problems associated with food and drug quality.
  - (ii) Financial sustainability of food and drug regulatory agencies.
  - (iii) Reviewing the existing laws and rules for promoting drug quality in light of recent changes in the International Trade and Business environment.
  - (iv) Long term vision and actions for rationalising the number of formulations in the Indian pharmaceutical market.
  - (v) Strategic to ensure International and Professional standards in inspection duties and in laboratories in public domain.
  - (vi) Public and Private partnerships in areas such as rule-making , auditing, reporting on compliance and integrating inputs into food and drug registration.
  - (vii) Measures for improving governance, especially in markets patronized by the poor, and for tapping consumer feed back.
  - (viii) Annual surveys to assess household perceptions about food and drug safety and quality.
  - (ix) Strategy for improved post market surveillance and monitoring adverse drug reactions.
  - (x) Rapid assessment survey on spurious drugs in India with evidence based and statistically validated.

The cost of the for conducting studies and consultations under Capacity Building Project on Food Safety and Quality Control of Drugs has been estimated at Rupees 10 million (US\$ 0.22 million approx). The World Bank procedures will be followed in the award of work for studies and consultations. The period of studies is likely to be one year with effect from November, 2004.

3. The consultants who are interested in being considered for any of the assignments should submit information supporting their experience, capacity and specialization in conducting similar assignments in developing countries. Following information should also be provided:-
  - Name, address and fascimile number of consultant
  - Name and short CVs of principal officers;
  - Ownership and organizational structure of the firm;
  - Financial statement for the last 3 years, and
  - Details of major relevant assignments undertaken in past five years.
- 4 Please note that this is not a request for proposals. After a review of the Letters of Interest, short lists will be prepared and those listed consultants will be invited to submit detailed technical/financial proposals through request for proposals as per specified terms of reference. Any additional information requested will be at the cost of the interested consultants.
- 5 Letters of interest with accompanying materials should be submitted to the address given below by 15.00 Hrs (IST) on 18/10/2004.

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